On June 12, 1948, then President Harry Truman signed the Women's Armed Services Integration Act which made women permanent members of the U.S. Armed Forces, granting us equal pay, rank, etc. Prior to that date we could only serve during times of war and we were not eligible for recognition as members of the military, as we were considered volunteers. June 12, 1948 changed everything for women in the military, so it is now observed by many as Women Veterans Day in commemoration.

This year the Indiana Department of Veterans' Affairs (IDVA) will be recognizing women Veterans throughout Indiana, all ages, all eras, and all branches of service. We will be sharing videos submitted by women Veterans willing to participate on our website and social media.

- 1) Attached are interview questions we are asking every participant to answer.
- 2) Please do not record more than 3 minutes per woman Veteran due to the digital size of the video.
- 3) Send your videos to the IDVA Women Veterans' Coordinator at lamckee@dva.in.gov before June 1.
- 4) Send questions to lamckee@dva.in.gov

We are looking forward to receiving your videos and thank you for your service.

June 12, 2020, Indiana Women Veterans Recognition Video Interview Questions

Please state and spell your first and last name.

What branch of the military did you serve?

Why did you choose that branch?

When you left the military what was your rank?

During what time frame and/or what era of war or conflict did you serve?

Who or what inspired you to decide to join the military?

Did you have family members who also served in the military?

If yes, please state their relationship to you.

If yes, what branch of service did they serve?

What was your occupation/career/job?

Where was the most interesting place the military sent you? Why do consider it interesting?