Foreign government or missing in action can receive an eight-semester scholarship, without cost, exclusive of books, food, school supplies, and dues or activities at any state supported college or university within the State.

 The Adjutant General is authorized to pay the tuition for any member in good standing with the active Mississippi National Guard who is enrolled within the State of MS in an accredited institution of higher learning and who is not eligible for GI Bill educational assistance and who meets requirements specified in MS law.

OTHERBENEFITS:

6. Hunting & Fishing Licenses

veterans who have a total service-connected disability from the Veterans Administration are not required to purchase a hunting or fishing license, but must have on their person proof of age, residency, and disability status while engaged in hunting or fishing.

Vehicle License Plates

 Multiple special license plates are available to eligible persons in Mississippi

8. Documents

 Certified copies of birth and death certificates, marriage licenses, divorce decrees, adoption decrees, etc...shall be furnished without charge; all honorable discharges and certificates of services shall be recorded without charge.

For More Information on Veterans Benefits:

Mississippi Veterans Affairs Board

Phone: (601) 576-4850 Fax: (601) 576-4868 www.vab.ms.gov

MS STATE VETERANS BENEFITS

"To Honor MS Veterans and their Dependents through superior Service, Care and Assistance"



North MS Rural Legal Services

Elder Law Clinic 5 County Road 1014 P.O. Box 767 Oxford, MS 38655

Toll Free 1-800-498-1804 Phone (662)234-8731 Fax (662)236-3263 www.nmrls.com

MISSISSIPPI STATE VETERAN'S BENEFITS

The State of Mississippi provides several veteran benefits. Some of those benefits include:

- 1. Housing Benefits
- 2. Financial Assistance Benefits
- 3. Employment Benefits
- 4. Education Benefits
- 5. Other State Veteran Benefits

HOUSING BENEFITS

- 1. MS Veterans Home Purchase Board
 - provides low interest mortgage loans for eligible veterans and unmarried surviving spouses to buy a home.
 - o Eligibility:
 - Veteran be a MS resident prior to entering military service; or
 - Be resident of MS for two (2) consecutive years prior to applying for the loan
 - Veteran must have Certificate of Eligibility for Home Loan

Guaranty from the Department of Veteran Affairs (VA); and

• Veteran must be discharged under honorable conditions

2. State Veterans Nursing Homes

- All four (4) have 150 beds and provide skilled care for eligible veterans and spouses.
 Applications for admission can be found at any of the VA offices:
- o Eligibility:
 - Veteran be or have been a MS resident; and
 - Have active duty military service; and
 - Have a "good" military discharge; or
 - Be the spouse of a veteran who resides in one of the Veteran's Homes

EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

3. Re-Employment

o Any member of reserve component of Armed Forces who in order to perform duties or receive training with the Armed Forces or the State of MS leaves a position, other than a temporary position, and who shall give evidence of the satisfactory completion of such duty/training, and who is still qualified to perform the duties of such position, shall be entitled to be restored to his previous or a similar position.

4. State Retirement

Members of the State of Public Employees Retirement System who served in the Armed Forces or who served in Maritime Service during periods of hostility in WWII shall be entitled to up to four (4) years credit for active duty in the Armed Forces/Maritime Service, IF they entered State Service after discharge from Armed Forces/Maritime.

EDUCATION BENEFITS

Educational Assistance

 Children of any member of Armed Services whose official home of record is within the State of MS and who is officially reported as being either a prisoner of a