



Purple Heart Riders

The Purple Heart riders were formed about three years ago by a Chapter in New Hampshire. The organization was formed by Motor cycle enthusiasts that wanted to have a riding group within the Purple Heart. They first went to the Order and requested to use the circular logo owned by the Order and were told that they could not use it and furthermore if it was worn as a group it would signify Purple Heart sponsorship and therefore liability, which they would not accept.

With that knowledge obtained from National, the New Hampshire chapter set out to establish a Purple Heart riding group with our own constitution and bylaws and in no way part of the Purple Heart order other than the members must have a Purple Heart. There are Purple Heart Riders now in 38 states and the patch worn on the back of a black denim or leather vest is awesome and in my estimation far better looking than the Purple Heart logo.

Patriot John Cooney, Chapter 642 is the NC Pres. for the association and 15 members from Jacksonville. NC has about 20 riders so far. The Jacksonville/Lejeune chapter has been named the "Blood Brothers Chapter."

The initial cost is \$80, which includes the patch and a \$10 annual dues. After getting the patch the dues are \$10 per year to primarily maintain the website.

Al Grow in New Hampshire is the President and JC Allen is the vice Pres out of Texas.

Please send all applications to me at 1006 Oak Dr, Jacksonville NC 28546. Don't worry about sending a DD-214 as proof just make a copy of your Life membership card and that will suffice unless I know you. If I know you I will verify you without documentation. It will take about two weeks to get your patch

Website is: www.purpleheartriders.us

Semper Fi, John Cooney