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TO HONOR the memory of those who made the supreme sacrifice in the service of our country and to safeguard the principles they fought for: justice, freedom and democracy.

TO ASSIST in upholding the Constitution and laws of the United States of America, and to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation.

TO PROMOTE the benefits, be it by legislation or activities, which will aid the spouse and children to face the future with the proper mental attitude and courage.



Founding Member, Eleanor Roosevelt

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Our Mission

Gold Star Wives of America, Inc. exists to preserve and enhance benefits to surviving United States military spouses and children; to help our members and their children face the future with courage and determination; and to honor the memory of our military spouses who made the ultimate sacrifice.

Gold Star Wives of America, Inc. works with the United States Congress to assure recognition of our unique organization which seeks benefits on behalf of the surviving spouses and children.



WE ARE

A nonprofit 501(c)4 organization of survivors whose spouse died while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States, or as a result of serviceconnected disability. Surviving spouses and dependent children require an organization dedicated solely to their needs, concerns, and welfare. We offer emotional support and guidance during a time of need.

New legislation affecting military survivors is brought to Congress with each session. Our organization appoints members to represent GSW before various House and Senate committees to speak to issues concerning compensation, educational benefits, medical care and other programs pertaining to military survivors.





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is an organization of surviving spouses working to improve the benefits for all surviving spouses and their children.

GSW Support Services provide:

- **Networking through local** chapter meetings, region conferences, national conventions and virtual meetings;
- Participate in local services during Memorial Day and Veteran's Day;
- **Volunteer in community welfare** projects, military and veteran's hospitals, places of worship and schools;
- Make personal contributions supporting community, military, and veteran projects;
- Organizational support for **Veterans' Memorial Projects and** programs throughout each state of the union;
- Share information through quarterly national newsletters.

We are financed solely through our membership dues, annual Stay-at-Home tea, and the many generous donations made to us by our friends, family and corporate sponsorship.



Gold Star Wives of America, Inc. is composed of members and their elected officers at the chapter, region, and national level; where policies and work of the organization are managed.

Chapter members and Members-atlarge (MAL) are involved in their communities during city, state, and national events.

The United States is organized into eight regions:

Middle Atlantic: (DC, DE, MD, NJ, NY, PA, VA)

Midwest: (IL, IN, KY, MI, OH, WV) New England: (CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, VT) North Central: (IA, MN, ND, NE, SD, WI) North West: (AK, ID, MT, OR, WA, WY) South Central: (AR, KS, LA, MO, OK, TX) South East: (AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, TN) South West: (AZ, CA, CO, HI, NM, NV, UT)

Region Conferences are held in the spring where members may organize and bring business forward to National Convention to ratify. Convention is held annually at a location voted upon by the national assembly.

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