

## William Lambert "Bert" Hawks, USNR (Ret.)



Ranks: ENS, LTJG, LT  
Service No: 224047  
Entry into active service: 10/31/1942  
Commissioned: 2/17/1943  
Detached: 10/24/1945  
Released to inactive duty: 12/06/1945

### EDUCATION

Bachelor of Metallurgical Engineering; Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; Troy, NY; May, 1942

### TRAINING

Midshipman School, New York, NY (16 weeks)

Bomb Disposal School, Washington, D. C. (8 weeks)

6/43 Naval Combat Demolition School, Ft. Pierce, FL (16 weeks)

Underwater Demolition Training - Waimanalo, Oahu, HI and Maui, HI

### NAVAL SPECIAL WARFARE TEAMS

#### Naval Combat Demolition Units

- NCDU A2
- NCDU 8

**Underwater Demolition Teams** (Assigned 9/08/43 to the 5th Amphibious Forces, Pacific Fleet)

- UDT 2 - WWII
- UDT 3 - WWII
- UDT 14 - WWII, Commanding Officer

### Other

- 12/44 - 9/45 Staff of the Commander of the UDT's Amphibious Forces, Pacific Fleet

### DECORATIONS



Silver Star for UDT 3 Guam Operation



Bronze Star for UDT 2 Marshalls Operation



Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with one Bronze Star



Philippine Liberation Medal with one Bronze Star

TRANSMITTAL OF AND/OR ENTITLEMENT TO AWARDS		EXAMINER CODE	DATE
		P312CONT71	May 31, 2006
NAME	SERVICE NO./SSN	BRANCH	RECORD GROUP
HAWKS, WILLIAM L	224047	USN	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A REVIEW OF THE RECORD INDICATES ENTITLEMENT TO THE FOLLOWING AWARDS. <input type="checkbox"/> THE FOLLOWING AUTHORIZED AWARDS ARE ENCLOSED. <input type="checkbox"/> PREVIOUSLY ISSUED AWARDS ARE INDICATED BY AN ASTERISK. <input type="checkbox"/> SIGNATURE OF VETERAN IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF AWARDS.			
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS <input type="checkbox"/> AIR MEDAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BRONZE STAR MEDAL <input type="checkbox"/> PURPLE HEART MEDAL <input type="checkbox"/> COMMENDATION MEDAL (NAVY/USCG) <input type="checkbox"/> ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL (NAVY/USCG) <input type="checkbox"/> LEGION OF MERIT MEDAL <input type="checkbox"/> NAVY CROSS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SILVER STAR MEDAL <input type="checkbox"/> MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL <input type="checkbox"/> NAVY AND MARINE CORPS MEDAL		<input type="checkbox"/> ANARCTICA SERVICE MEDAL <input type="checkbox"/> SELECTED MARINE CORPS RESERVE MEDAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRISONER OF WAR MEDAL <input type="checkbox"/> ARMED FORCES SERVICE MEDAL <input type="checkbox"/> HONORABLE SERVICE LAPEL PIN (RUPTURED DUCK) <input type="checkbox"/> HONORABLE DISCHARGE BUTTON <input type="checkbox"/> DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL	
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<input type="checkbox"/> NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL <input type="checkbox"/> SOUTHWEST ASIA SERVICE MEDAL <input type="checkbox"/> KOREAN SERVICE MEDAL <input type="checkbox"/> UNITED NATIONS SERVICE MEDAL <input type="checkbox"/> EXPEDITIONARY MEDAL <input type="checkbox"/> ARMED FORCES <input type="checkbox"/> NAVY <input type="checkbox"/> MARCOR <input type="checkbox"/> KOREAN DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL		<p>THE FOLLOWING ARE NOT AVAILABLE FOR ISSUANCE</p> <input type="checkbox"/> SEA SERVICE DEPLOYMENT RIBBON <input type="checkbox"/> BADGE <input type="checkbox"/> NAVY/MARCOR OVERSEAS SERVICE RIBBON <input type="checkbox"/> JOINT SERVICE MEDALS <input type="checkbox"/> INSIGNIAS <input type="checkbox"/> USCG EXPERT SHOT MEDAL <input type="checkbox"/> USCG MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION <input type="checkbox"/> USCG SPECIAL OPERATION SERVICE RIBBON <input type="checkbox"/> USN / USCG ARCTIC SERVICE MEDAL	
<input type="checkbox"/> VIETNAM SERVICE MEDAL <input type="checkbox"/> HUMANITARIAN SERVICE MEDAL		<p>FOREIGN AWARDS</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PHILIPPINE RIBBON <input type="checkbox"/> DEFENSE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LIBERATION w/ 1 Bronze Star <input type="checkbox"/> INDEPENDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION (FOREIGN) <input type="checkbox"/> PHILIPPINE <input type="checkbox"/> REPUBLIC OF KOREA <input type="checkbox"/> VIETNAM <input type="checkbox"/> REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM CAMPAIGN MEDAL <input type="checkbox"/> REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM MERITORIOUS UNIT CITATION (Gallantry Cross Medal Color With Palm) <input type="checkbox"/> REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM MERITORIOUS UNIT CITATION (Civil Actions Medal, First Class Color w/Palm) <input type="checkbox"/> KUWAIT LIBERATION MEDAL (SAUDI)	
<input type="checkbox"/> PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION RIBBON <input type="checkbox"/> NAVY/USCG UNIT COMMENDATION RIBBON <input type="checkbox"/> MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION RIBBON <input type="checkbox"/> NAVY "E" RIBBON <input type="checkbox"/> COMBAT ACTION RIBBON <input type="checkbox"/> GOLD STAR LAPEL BUTTON <input type="checkbox"/> NAVY EXPERT RIFLE/PISTOL MEDAL			
<p>COMMENTS: If medal is "Not In Stock", please resubmit your request after 90 days.</p> <p>FOREIGN AWARDS, STAR ATTACHMENTS, BADGES AND SOME RIBBONS ARE NOT STOCKED/ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY, BUT MAY BE OBTAINED FROM A CIVILIAN DEALER OF MILITARY SUPPLIES. WE ARE ENCLOSING A LIST OF COMMERCIAL STORES THAT THE REQUESTOR MAY CONTACT FOR FURTHER ASSISTANCE.</p>			
REQUESTOR:			
SUSAN LONGACRE 3782 ST PETER CT CONCORD CA 94518		NAVY PERSONNEL COMMAND RETIRED RECORDS SECTION PERS 112D2 9700 PAGE AVENUE ST LOUIS MO 63132-5000	

## United States Pacific Fleet

Flagship of the Commander-in-Chief



In the name of the President of the United States,  
the Commander in Chief, United States Pacific Fleet,  
takes pleasure in presenting the BRONZE STAR MEDAL to

ENSIGN WILLIAM L. HAWKS, E-V(3)  
UNITED STATES NAVAL RESERVE

for service as set forth in the following

### CITATION:

"For extraordinary heroism and meritorious achievement during the operations of the United States Naval Forces against the Marshall Islands of February 1, 1944. In clearing the beaches of Roi and Namur Islands of possible beach mines, a radio-controlled drone LCP (R), loaded with high explosives, got out of control after an attempt had been made to fire it. It commenced to circle at full speed about 1,000 yards from the enemy held beach and constituted a major hazard to our landing forces. He took control of another drone and overtook the circling drone, transferred to it, took manual control, and removed it to a safe location. Both boats were under enemy fire. The drone, having previously been armed, was in danger of exploding at any moment. His conduct and initiative, with disregard for his own personal safety, was in keeping with the highest traditions of the naval service."

C. W. NIMITZ,  
Admiral, U. S. Navy.

Classified - Temporary Citation



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1. SERIAL OR FILE NO. #224047		2. NAME (LAST, FIRST (MIDDLE), MIDDLE) HAWKS, William Lambert		3. RATE AND CLASS / OR Lieutenant, (E)L, USNR		4. PERMANENT ADDRESS FOR MAILING PURPOSES 85 E. 216 St. Euclid, Ohio		5. PLACE OF SEPARATION U.S. NavTraCen San Diego, California	
6. CHARACTER OF SEPARATION Release to inactive duty		7. ADDRESS FROM WHICH EMPLOYMENT WILL BE SOUGHT Same as #4							
8. RACE W		9. SEX M		10. MARITAL STATUS Married		11. U. S. CITIZEN (YES OR NO) Yes		12. DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH 3/7/21 Flint, Michigan	
13. REGISTERED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		14. SELECTIVE SERVICE BOARD OF REGISTRATION Euclid, Ohio							
15. MEANS OF ENTRY (INDICATE BY CHECK IN APPROPRIATE BOX) <input type="checkbox"/> ENLISTED <input type="checkbox"/> INDUCTED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMISSIONED		17. DATE OF ENTRY INTO ACTIVE SERVICE 10/31/42		18. NET SERVICE (FOR PAY PURPOSES) (YRS, MOS, DAYS) FEB 11-21-42					
19. DATE 2/17/43		20. PLACE OF ENTRY INTO ACTIVE SERVICE New York, N.Y.							
21. RATINGS HELD -		22. FOREIGN AND OR SEA SERVICE WORLD WAR II <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO							
23. SERVICE SCHOOLS COMPLETED Midshipman Sch., New York, N.Y. Bomb Disposal Sch., Washington, DC NavCom Demolition Sch., Ft. Herce, Florida		24. SERVICE (VESSELS AND STATIONS SERVED ON) Naval Combat Demolition Unit #8 Underwater Demolition Team #2 Underwater Demolition Team #3 Staff ComUDT's PhibsPac Underwater Demolition Team #14							
IMPORTANT: IF PREMIUM IS NOT PAID WHEN DUE OR WITHIN THIRTY-ONE DAYS THEREAFTER INSURANCE WILL LAPSE. MAKE CHECKS OR MONEY ORDERS PAYABLE TO THE TREASURER OF THE U. S. AND FORWARD TO COLLECTOR'S SUBDIVISION VETERANS ADMINISTRATION, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.									
25. KIND OF INSURANCE NSI		26. EFFECTIVE MONTH OF ALLOTMENT 10/45		27. MONTH NEXT PREMIUM DUE 11/45		28. AMOUNT OF PREMIUM DUE EACH MONTH 6.60		29. INTENTION OF VETERAN TO CONTINUE INSURANCE Yes	
30. TOTAL PAYMENT UPON DISCHARGE \$		31. TRAVEL OR MILEAGE ALLOWANCE INCLUDED IN TOTAL PAYMENT \$		32. INITIAL MUSTERING OUT PAY \$100.		33. NAME OF DISBURSING OFFICER C. B. COOLIDGE			
34. REMARKS Silver Star Medal Asiatic-Pacific - 1 Star Philippine Liberation - 1 Star Bronze Star Medal Detached 10/25/45 TL 1moldays Sec. Sec. No. -		35. SIGNATURE (BY DIRECTION OF COMMANDING OFFICER)  R. S. HAGGART, Commodore, USN							
36. NAME AND ADDRESS OF LAST EMPLOYER American Steel & Wire Co. Cleveland, Ohio		37. DATES OF LAST EMPLOYMENT FROM 6/42 TO 10/42		38. MAIN CIVILIAN OCCUPATION AND O. O. T. NO. Metallurgical Engineering					
39. JOB PREFERENCE (LIST TYPE, LOCALITY, AND GENERAL AREA) Metallurgical Engineering Middle West		40. PREFERENCE FOR ADDITIONAL TRAINING (TYPE OF TRAINING) Refresher courses in Engineering							
41. NON-SERVICE EDUCATION (YEARS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED) GRAD: 8 H. S. 4 COLLEGE 4		42. DEGREES BS		43. MAJOR COURSE OR FIELD Met. Eng., None					
44. RIGHT INDEX FINGERPRINT 		45. OFF DUTY EDUCATIONAL COURSES COMPLETED None							
46. DATE OF SEPARATION 8 Dec 1945		47. SIGNATURE OF PERSON BEING SEPARATED  W. L. Hawks							

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