



THE AMERICAN HISTORICAL FOUNDATION

Dear Member:

It is with great pleasure that I bring you, our valued Member, the opportunity to honor the 350th Anniversary of the Military Bayonet.

We are proud to announce the ARMED FORCES COMMEMORATIVE M9 BAYONETS OF HONOR, issued in a specially-made collector edition by The American Historical Foundation.

What better bayonets to add to your collection than ones that honor the American armed forces? And what better way to honor the 350th Anniversary of the Bayonet!

For 350 years, man has been fascinated with the study and collecting of military bayonets.

You recall the "Spirit of the Bayonet" instilled in you in basic training or boot camp. That spirit? To fight aggressively. To take the lead. To take the offensive rather than just defend. To close with the enemy. To win!

With the bayonet, that spirit is just as much alive today in those who have served in the U.S. military as it was 350 years ago.

The bayonet has become the symbol of the common, much beloved, foot soldier. And, in spite of space-age weapons, it is still the foot soldier who ultimately determines the outcome of war.

Maybe a bayonet served you or your family member in the field in training or in combat.

In the U.S. military, our newest bayonet is the M9. Uncle Sam is currently phasing it in, gradually replacing the old M7 bayonet, which was little changed since it first saw action as the M4 bayonet for the M1 Carbine in World War II.

The M9 is the state-of-the-art bayonet. Features include a saw back along the massive quarter-inch-thick blade, a wire-cutter provision and

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a grip that withstands high voltage--in case the wire you're cutting is "hot!"

Each Bayonet of Honor is made by the official government contractor.

For this limited edition, each has been specially etched and selectively plated with 24-Karat Gold on the blade to honor the specific service branch--Army, Marine Corps, Navy or Air Force. A fired cloisonne enamel medallion, depicting the symbol of the service branch, is inset in the black grip.

In addition to being beautiful, each bayonet is a battleworthy weapon. In fact, the spring-loading locking lugs are fully functional, in the event you wish to affix it to any of the M16/AR15 rifles you may own.

Each Bayonet of Honor is serially numbered between 001 and 950. This limited edition serial number also appears on the accompanying Certificate of Authenticity.

To display your Bayonet of Honor and protect it against dust and unauthorized handling a custom-built Walnut Display Case is available. The rich velvet liner is color coordinated to correspond with the service branch honored:

- Army Green
- Marine Corps Scarlet
- Navy Blue
- Air Force Blue

Collecting bayonets is something that appeals to many. Knowing your interest in military history and edged weapons, I thought you, too, would want to know about this opportunity.

Rare, collector-grade bayonets, such as the ones offered here, are hard to come by and highly desirable in private collections.

They contrast with standard bayonets in several ways. Firstly, standard bayonets are made with function in mind--not beauty. Each of the bayonets available to you is a special presentation-grade piece, produced in a special edition.

The other major point of difference is that standard military bayonets are produced in large quantities. Because collector value is enhanced by rarity, these bayonets will always be rare. That is guaranteed by the edition limit of only 950 each. This rarity is assured by the limited serial number engraved on the blade and inscribed on the Certificate of Authenticity.

If you or a relative served in the armed forces, the bayonet appropriate to that service branch will be a welcome addition to your family collection.

Or, if you are a dedicated collector/investor in this field, you may wish to reserve the complete set. We will see to it that the serial numbers on each bayonet will match. A complete matched set is always

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worth more than individual bayonets.

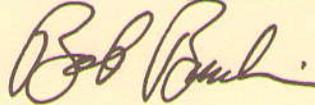
Order the complete matched set of four Bayonets of Honor and Walnut Display Cases, and an elegant Master Display Mount will be presented to you, free. This mount holds all four individual Walnut Display Cases. It adds to the rarity of the collection as it cannot be purchased anywhere, at any price.

Each individual Walnut Display Case and the Master Display Mount have provisions for wall display; or you may wish to display them on a desk, mantle or shelf. The matched set makes an impressive display, especially in an office, gun room or den.

Due to the considerable exposure this new M9 bayonet received in the Gulf War, we expect an enthusiastic response. So, please don't delay.

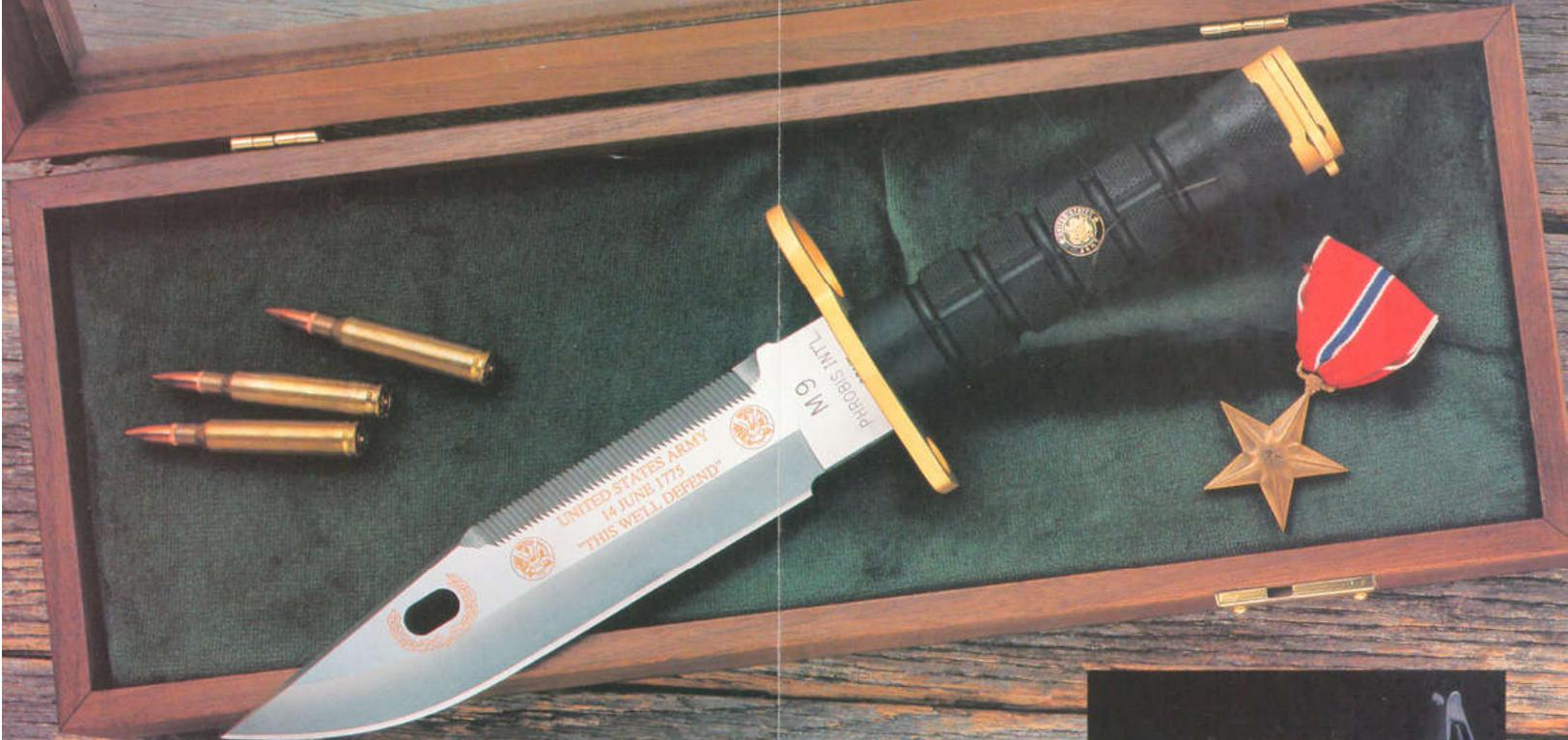
Please contact your Member Services Representative by calling toll free (800) 368-8080. Or immediately return the Members' Reservation Form enclosed. Your satisfaction is guaranteed, or return for a full refund in 30 days.

Warmest regards,



Robert A. Buerlein
President

P.S. Your name--or a family member's--can be engraved on the blade to personalize and immortalize this as a lasting family heirloom. See the Reservation Request for details.



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It is the new-issue state-of-the-art bayonet, the U.S. M9. Features include a saw back along the massive quarter-inch-thick Bowie blade, a

wire-cutter provision and a grip that insulates against high voltage shock.

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For this limited edition, each is specially etched and selectively plated with 24-Karat Gold on the blade to honor either the Army, Marine Corps, Navy or Air Force.

A fired cloisonne enamel medallion depicting the symbol of the service branch is inset in the black grip.

Each Bayonet of Honor is specially serially numbered between 001 and 950, and this limited edition serial number also appears on the accompanying Certificate of Authenticity.

Rare, collector-grade bayonets, such as these are hard to come by and highly desirable in private collections. Especially sought-after will

be a complete set with matching serial numbers.

The bayonet appropriate to the service branch will be a welcome addition to your family collection.

To display your Bayonet of Honor and protect it against dust and unauthorized handling, a custom-built Walnut Display Case is available. The rich velvet liner is color coordinated to correspond with the service branch honored.

If you reserve the complete matched set of four Bayonets of Honor and Walnut Display Cases, a special Master Display Mount will be presented to you, free. This Mount holds all four individual Walnut Display Cases. It adds to rarity of the collection, as it



In addition to being beautiful, each bayonet is a battleworthy weapon and a valuable family heirloom. The spring-loading locking lugs are fully functional, in the event you wish to affix it to any of the M16/AR15 rifles you may own (it fits all models). The right side of the blade can be personalized with your name, service branch or any other information of your choice.

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Your satisfaction is guaranteed or return within 30 days for a full refund. The American Historical Foundation, 1142 West Grace, Richmond, Virginia 23220, Toll Free (800) 368-8080.

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