

JEWISH MUSEUM OF FLORIDA

FLORIDA JEWS IN THE MILITARY *February 23-January 2, 2011*

Medals By Order of Precedence

1. Medal of Honor
2. Service Cross
 - A. Army Distinguished Service Cross
1st Lieutenant A. Henry Kauffman (WWII)
 - B. Navy Cross
 - C. Air Force Cross
3. Distinguished Service
 - A. Defense Distinguished Service Medal
 - B. Army Distinguished Service Medal
Major General Jaime Barkin (career)
 - C. Navy Distinguished Service Medal
 - D. Air Force Distinguished Service Medal
Major General Bernard Weiss (career)
 - E. Homeland Security Distinguished Service Medal
 - F. Coast Guard Distinguished Service Medal
4. Silver Star
Sergeant Herman Adelstein (WWI)
Lieutenant Robert Richter (WWII)
Sergeant Marvin Roth (WWII)
Captain Harold Rubin (WWII)
Private Fred Schrager (WWII)
Captain Ellis Zacharias (WWII)
Sergeant Robert Levy (Vietnam)
Lieutenant William Waechter (Vietnam)
5. Defense Superior Service
Lieutenant General David Fridovich (career)--twice
6. Legion of Merit
Lieutenant Colonel Leonard Kaplan (WWII)
Colonel Benjamin Abramowitz (career)--twice }--son
Colonel David Abramowitz (career)--four times }--grandson
Major Reuben Abramowitz (career) }--father
Major General Jaime Barkin (career)
Rear Admiral Julian Benjamin (career)
Lieutenant General David Fridovich (career)
Lieutenant Colonel Herbert Kay (career)
Major General Bernard Weiss (career)--three times

7. Distinguished Flying Cross
 - Captain William Katz (WWII)
 - Lieutenant Leonard Ramer (WWII)
 - Lieutenant Leonard Robbins (WWII)--twice
 - Major Charles Rosenblatt (WWII)--twice
 - Sergeant Jacob Sahl (WWII)
 - Technical Sergeant Sidney Schwartz (WWII)

8. Heroism
 - A. Soldier's Medal
 - B. Navy and Marine Corps Medal
 - C. Airman's Medal
 - D. Coast Guard Medal

9. Gold Lifesaving Medal

10. Bronze Star
 - Private First Class Harold Ableman (WWII)
 - Private Harold Baumgarten (WWII)--twice
 - Private Marshall Berkson (WWII)
 - Major Baron de Hirsch Meyer (WWII)
 - Corporal Harold Diamond (WWII)--twice
 - Lieutenant Colonel Leonard Kaplan (WWII)
 - Sergeant Jeanette Jacobson (WWII)
 - Chaplain (Captain) Sidney Lefkowitz (WWII)
 - Sergeant Seymour Lichtenfeld (WWII)
 - Captain Bertram Marks (WWII)
 - Private Fred Schrager (WWII)
 - Staff Sergeant Harvey Wittner (WWII)
 - Lieutenant Colonel Mitchell Wolfson (WWII)
 - Lieutenant Roland Kohen (Korean War) with "V" device
 - Sergeant Robert Levy (Vietnam) with "V" device
 - Lieutenant Benjamin Magidson (Afghanistan)
 - Specialist Daniel Agami (Iraq)
 - Captain Victor Olshansky (Iraq)
 - Lieutenant Commander Risa Simon (Iraq)
 - Technical Sergeant Timothy Weiner (Iraq)
 - Specialist Jeffrey Wershow (Iraq)
 - Colonel Benjamin Abramowitz (career) with "V" device--twice; earned in Vietnam
 - Colonel David Abramowitz (career)--earned in Iraq
 - Major Reuben Abramowitz (career)--earned in WWII
 - Lieutenant Colonel Herbert Kay (career)--earned in WWII
 - Major Michael Neulander (career)--earned in Iraq

11. Purple Heart
 - Private First Class Max (Mack) Katz (WWI)
 - Private Harold Baumgarten (WWII)
 - Petty Officer Third Class Norman Bruce Brown (WWII)
 - Lieutenant Colonel Leonard Kaplan (WWII)

Technician Third Grade Alfred Kohn (WWII)
Lieutenant Meyer Leibovitz (WWII)
Sergeant Seymour Lichtenfeld (WWII)
Captain Bertram Marks (WWII)
Lieutenant Robert Richter (WWII)
Sergeant Marvin Roth (WWII)--twice
Private Fred Schragger (WWII)
Pharmacists Mate First Class Eugene Weiss (WWII)
Lieutenant Roland Kohen (Korean War)
Sergeant Robert Levy (Vietnam)--three times
Specialist Daniel Agami (Iraq)
Specialist Jeffrey Wershow (Iraq)
Technical Sergeant Timothy Weiner (Iraq)

12. Defense Meritorious Service Medal
Lieutenant General David Fridovich (career)--three times

13. Meritorious Service Medal
Colonel Benjamin Abramowitz (career)
Colonel David Abramowitz (career)
Captain A. Jay Cristol (career)
Lieutenant General David Fridovich (career)--four times
Major Michael Neulander (career)
Major General Bernard Weiss (career)

14. Air Medal
Petty Officer Third Class Norman Bruce Brown (WWII)
Major Baron de Hirsch Meyer (WWII)
Captain William Katz (WWII)--four times
Lieutenant Meyer Leibovitz (WWII)
Lieutenant Julian Newbauer (WWII)
Lieutenant Leonard Ramer (WWII)
Major Charles Rosenblatt (WWII)--four times
Lieutenant Irving Rubin (WWII)
Sergeant Jacob Sahl (WWII)--five times
Technical Sergeant Sidney Schwartz (WWII)
Lieutenant Richard Touby (WWII)
Lieutenant William Waechter (Vietnam)
1st Lieutenant Nathan Tarler (Vietnam)
Colonel Benjamin Abramowitz (career)--three times; earned in Vietnam

15. Silver Lifesaving Medal

16. Aerial Achievement Medal

17. Commendation

- A. Joint Service Commendation Medal
 - Lieutenant Commander Risa Simon (Iraq)
 - Major General Bernard Weiss (career)
- B. Army Commendation Medal

- 1st Lieutenant Mayer Abramowitz (WWII)
 - Captain Nathaniel Elkins (WWII)
 - Sergeant Robert Levy (Vietnam)
 - Specialist Daniel Agami (Iraq) with “V” device
 - Captain Victor Olshansky (Iraq)--three times
 - Colonel Benjamin Abramowitz (career)
 - Colonel David Abramowitz (career)
 - Major Reuben Abramowitz (career)
 - Major General Jaime Barkin (career)--three times
 - Lieutenant General David Fridovich (career)--four times
 - Major Michael Neulander (career)--twice
 - Captain Victor Stiebel (career)
 - Major General Bernard Weiss (career)
 - C. Navy & Marine Corps Commendation Medal
 - Captain A. Jay Cristol (career)
 - Captain Hyman Galbut (career)
 - Lieutenant Shane Sablotsky (career)--twice
 - Lieutenant Commander Risa Simon (Iraq)
 - Captain Victor Stiebel (career)--twice
 - D. Air Force Commendation Medal
 - 1st Lieutenant Nathan Tarler (Vietnam)
 - Major General Bernard Weiss (career)
 - E. Coast Guard Commendation Medal
18. Achievement
- A. Joint Service Achievement Medal
 - Lieutenant General David Fridovich (career)
 - Lieutenant Commander Risa Simon (Iraq)
 - B. Army Achievement Medal
 - Captain Victor Olshansky (Iraq)
 - Major Michael Neulander (career)
 - C. Navy & Marine Corps Achievement Medal
 - Lieutenant Shane Sablotsky (career)--three times
 - Lieutenant Commander Risa Simon (Iraq)
 - Captain Victor Stiebel (career)
 - D. Air Force Achievement Medal
 - E. Coast Guard Achievement Medal
19. French Legion of Honor
- Major Reuben Abramowitz (WWII)
 - Private Harold Baumgarten (WWII)
20. French Croix d’ Guerre
- Major Reuben Abramowitz (WWII)
 - Private Harry Kahn (WWII)
21. Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross
- Sergeant Robert Levy
 - Airman First Class Bruce McManus
 - Colonel Benjamin Abramowitz

22. Liberation of Kuwait (Saudi Arabia)
Major Michael Neulander (career)

Killed in Action (KIA)

Confederate Lieutenant Albert Moses Luria (Civil War)--1st Jew killed }--first cousins
Confederate Lieutenant Joshua Lazarus Moses (Civil War)--last Jew Killed }
Petty Officer Third Class Norman Bruce Brown (WWII)
Technician Third Grade Alfred Kohn (WWII)
2nd Lieutenant Meyer Leibovitz (WWII)
Lieutenant Robert Richter (WWII)
Sergeant Marvin Roth (WWII)
Aviation Machinists Mate 2nd Class Isadore Stessel (WWII)
Tilden Zane (Vietnam)
Specialist Daniel Agami (Iraq)
Corporal Dustin Schrage (Iraq)
Technical Sergeant Timothy Weiner (Iraq)
Specialist Jeffrey Wershow (Iraq)
Major Stuart Wolfer (Iraq)