

Basic Detail Report



Purple Heart Medal

Date

before 1974

Primary Maker

Elizabeth Will

Medium

metal, enamel, ribbon

Description

(a) A golden heart medal displays a smaller purple heart, which features a golden relief of General Washington's profile. Above this heart is Washington's coat of arms, a white shield with two horizontal red bands below three red stars. Sprays of green leaves flank the shield. It is suspended by a rectangular metal loop with rounded corners that is attached to a vertically-striped purple and white ribbon. (b) A horizontal metal pin displays a purple ribbon with a vertical white stripe on each end. (c) A horizontal purple metal pin has a vertical white stripe on each end. (d) Golden borders decorate the edges of a black box. The interior of the lid is lined with golden fabric, and the bottom portion is padded with golden fabric. (e) An empty .223 brass rifle cartridge

Dimensions

Overall (Ribbon) H 1 1/4 in x W 1 3/8 in (3.2 cm x 3.5 cm) Overall (Medal) H 1 3/4 in x W 1 3/8 in (4.4 cm x 3.5 cm)