How to Order A "Flag Over the Capitol" Gifts for Friends & Family

Request a U.S. flag flown over the Capitol by writing to your U.S. legislators.

If you would like a special gift for a patriotic American you know, then consider purchasing a U.S. flag that has been flown over the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C., in honor of the gift recipient. You must write your U.S. senators or representatives to request the flag.

It is possible for anyone to have a flag flown over the U.S. Capitol to honor a person, organization or event. Hundreds of flags are flown over the Capitol building each day in order to accommodate all the requests for these flags. It is possible for one flag to be flown in honor of someone, or you can order multiple flags to be flown over the Capitol in honor of different people. For orders of multiple flags, all of the flags in the order will be flown on the same day and shipped together; however, the information on the authentication certificates is still customizable and can be different for each flag.

BY INTERNET:

Instructions

1 Go to the website of one of your U.S. senators or representatives.
2 Click on the link or button for "Constituent Services." You should see a link or button labeled "Flag Requests."
3 Fill out the online form provided on the website.
4 Write a check or money order to "The Keeper of the Stationery." The price and options for different flags are listed on the flag request form.
5 Mail your form and check or money order to the address provided on your legislator's website.

NO INTERNET, BUT HAVE A PHONE?

Instructions

1 Contact your local U.S. representative or senator for an order form for the flag. The order form will provide you with a list of prices for flag sizes and types. Each representative or senator sets prices for flags ordered through his office, so there may be slight differences from one office to another.
2 Decide what size and fabric type of flag you need. The options for cotton flags are 3 feet by 5 feet or 5 feet by 8 feet. Nylon flags are available in 3 feet by 5 feet, 4 feet by 6 feet or 5 feet by 8 feet.
3 Choose the day you want the flag to be flown over the U.S. Capitol in honor of the person. This date must be four to six weeks after you place the order for the flag.
4 Fill out the form with all information necessary. A flag flown over the Capitol comes with a certificate of authenticity, which can be customized with the honoree’s name, as well as the event you are honoring.
5 Submit the form and payment to your representative or senator. Payment must be made by personal check; however, money orders may be accepted in some instances.