

# President Truman presents the Medal of Merit



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## **Description**

President Harry S. Truman in the oval office with four men who received the Medal of Merit. L to R: W. John Kenney, Undersecretary of the Navy; W. Stuart Symington, Secretary of the Air Force; President Truman; James Forrestal, Secretary of Defense; and John L. Sullivan, Secretary of the Navy. Standing in the back on the left is Admiral William D. Leahy. Standing in the back on the right is Eben Ayers. Others are unidentified.

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8x10 inches (21x26 cm)

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People Pictured

Kenney, W. John, 1904-1992

Truman, Harry S., 1884-1972

Forrestal, James, 1892-1949

Sullivan, John L. (John Lawrence), 1899-1982

Symington, Stuart, 1901-1988

Ayers, Eben A., 1890-1977

Leahy, William D. (William Daniel), 1875-1959

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