

Widower #1

You have been a widower for over two years now. Your SSN is 555-15-5555. You had two children with your wife before she passed away. Your son Justin (SSN 555-55-0015) is 19 years old and your daughter Miley (SSN 555-55-0150) is 16 years old. They both share your last name. None of you are blind and none of you were born before 1950. Feel free to invent a fictional Wisconsin address for your tax forms. Your mother is also living with you: Elvira (SSN 555-55-1500) still shares your last name and is considered disabled. Because you support them, all three are considered your dependents.

You worked at one full-time job all year. Income from this job was \$72,513.49.

You had income from a savings account that totaled \$3594.77 and dividends that totaled \$1850.00. You also had income from the sale of an HH Bond that was given to you for your 18th birthday for \$2000.00.

Deductions

■ You had medical and dental expenses last year from out-of-pocket and deductibles that totaled \$8574.38. You found out the hard way that braces are expensive, especially if you have to get them for both of your kids.

■ You paid state income taxes last year that totaled \$2688.14. Your property taxes from last year totaled \$4321.59.

■ Your home mortgage interest from last year totaled \$650.38.

■ You will have to calculate if these deductions, when itemized, will get you more of a tax break compared to the standard deduction. Take the better tax break.

Include Schedule A with the tax forms that you hand in even if the standard deduction is the better deal.

This past year, you paid a local provider called Roving Helpers on 789 West Street \$240 per month to help take care of Elvira and her disabilities.

This past year, you purchased a brand new natural gas furnace for the house. The total cost was \$1837.46. This furnace exceeds the Energy Star program requirements so you will be able to declare it on your taxes.

The amount of federal income tax that was withheld on your W-2 totals \$8274.15.

Calculate the refund that the federal government owes you and sign the completed tax form.

Information you will need for your Wisconsin State Income Tax Form:

For line 11: Your employers have paid most of your health insurance costs, however, \$128 per month is taken out of your paycheck to pay for what your employer does not cover. Also, make sure you take the deduction for Dependent Care Expenses.

The amount of state income tax that was withheld on your W-2 from your job was \$1987.64.