



Monthly Newsletter

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POST COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



Comrades,

So our last meeting I discussed selling our building and moving to the Legion. Yes parking is still an issue but the building is big enough for us to do it. A committee was formed to look into this. Jr. Vice Marc Plante will be the chairman and members of the house committee will serve in the committee as well. Please this is something that must be discussed. If you have any ideas or concerns related to this bring it to the committee or myself.

There are a few events in September. Flag retirement ceremony at Lost Cowboy at noon on September 7 and the 9/11 Ceremony on September 11thm at the East Hollis Street Fire Station.

As always, if you have any ideas, comments or concerns please let me know.

Yours in comradeship,

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State Commander's Message

Hello Comrades,

I would like to let you know that New Hampshire had a respectable contingent out at the national convention in Columbus, Ohio. Carol Whitmore is the Commander in Chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Carol is from Des Moines, Iowa and is the first woman veteran elected to the high office of commander in chief. Her special project is to help fund a small convenience style store for the residence at the national home at Eaton Rapids, Michigan. If you get the VFW magazine and want to learn about Carol Whitmore's military background, there is a great article there. There was one contested race in the national chairs which was for the position of Sr. Vice CIC between Jr. Vice CIC Tim Peters and Cory Geisler from Wisconsin. After hours of discussion and then a roll call vote of every state's delegate Cory Geisler was elected 2025 - 2026 Sr. Vice CIC. For those interested next year's national convention is in Reno, Nevada.

I would like to let everyone know just in case you may not have heard it is my special project. Last year PDC AJ Corrow had the house the NH sponsors at the national home because it's time to renovate the house and an estimate for the work is \$25k. In part it's to put on a new roof, paint the whole inside and install all new appliances. I've decided to piggyback on AJ's project because each person that's state commander does not raise enough money to cover that estimate. So I am asking for your help with my special project because between PDC AJ Corrow I hope that we can come close to reaching that goal. This will help either the current family or the next to occupy our house to have newly remodeled home to rebuild their future. I would to thank each and everyone of you and your membership in advance for your efforts to get meet this objective. If you have never been out to the National Home in Eaton Rapids Michigan I highly encourage a visit. In doing so it'll give you a true respect for what the staff does out there for the children and veterans and/or spouses. It's truly amazing.

I'll briefly touch on membership. Last fiscal year several posts along with 4 out of 5 districts along with the state to all reach 102% and reach All American led by PDC AJ Corrow. That's fantastic. I'm asking all comrades to keep up your great work. This year I'm following CIC Carol Whitmore in setting a membership goal of 101%. Since the membership goal of 102% last year was met there is no doubt in my mind that we'll reach 101% by June of next year. If you have any questions or need help please contact Dennis Manning my membership chairman.

As a last thought and comment, with the mornings getting colder please reach out to other comrades within your post that typically can't or do not attend. Ask how they're doing and maybe see if they need assistance in getting ready for the impending weather coming our way soon.

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" We Build We Fight "

RENEWAL INFORMATION

If you want to renew your membership by sending your dues to the post for processing, you can scan the QR Code below and pay your dues by selecting the membership form on the Zeffy site. Once the funds are transferred to the post account your membership will be renewed. You can also renew online at www.vfw.org or send your payment to the post by check or pay in person with cash.



RENEW EARLY



Dick Mohrmann Honored by the President



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 23, 2025

Mr. Richard D. Mohrmann
Nashua, New Hampshire

Dear Dick,

I am pleased to join your family and friends in wishing you a happy 100th birthday! I also extend my personal gratitude for your unwavering service to our country. The grit, tenacity, and extraordinary bravery you have displayed throughout your life continue to inspire generations of Americans.

As you celebrate your special day, please that know you are among the most distinguished and revered Americans. Your selfless service and uncommon courage in defense of our Nation during World War II ensured that generations of Americans could enjoy the many blessings of our great Nation. Your sacrifices, and those of all veterans, are deserving of the utmost respect and admiration of our entire country.

Our Nation is strong because of hard-working patriots like you who believe in—and defend—the great American ideals of faith, family, community, and country first. I will never stop fighting for the America you and I cherish.

Melania joins me in sending best wishes as you celebrate this momentous occasion. May God continue to bless you with good health and happiness!

Sincerely,

A large, bold, handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to be "Donald Trump", is written below the word "Sincerely,".

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Greetings from the Chaplain's Desk

Deceased Members
None

Hope everyone has had an enjoyable summer and doing well. After some hot and sticky weather, we can look forward to some cooling fall breezes.

Continuing to call on our veterans who are dealing with medical issues. Sometimes it can be just that friendly voice, over the phone, that can make their day. Remember, that it was their sacrifices, that enabled us to have the life and freedoms that we have today. Let us not forget.

If anyone is aware of a veteran or family member in distress, Please advise the post, so that we may reach out to them.

Hoping to see more of you at our next post meeting or upcoming events. Remember to stay safe in your travels and activities.

Yours in Comradeship
Herbert CT Townsend
Chaplain Post 483

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DISTRICT 6 & C of A MEETING SCHEDULE

The District 6 meetings are shown in BLUE and scheduled for 1000 unless otherwise noted, dress is blues and grays unless otherwise notified. Auxiliary meetings are the same dates as the VFW . C of A Meeting in Brown

17 Aug. 24: Winchester

19 Oct. 24: Franklin

18 Jan 25: TBD

12 Apr. 25: TBD

6-8 Jun 25: State Convention Shelburne

District Meeting in Blue

Sunday, 24 August 2025, Hudson VFW Post 5791

Sunday, 19 October 2025, Pelham VFW Post 10722

Sunday, 25 January 2026, Merrimack VFW Post 8641

Sunday, 19 April 2026, Pelham VFW Post 10722
(Encampment)



MEMBERSHIP



CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

Dst	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	Div	R S	City	State	N/R LM
6							%	3		NASH UA	NH	0

2024-2025 GOAL 102%

RENEW EARLY (IT DOES NOT AFFECT YOUR EXPIRATION DATE)

(Just moves it our one year)

DISTRICT 6 MEMBERSHIP

LOCATION	POST #	%
NASHUA	483	%
DERRY	1617	%
HUDSON	5791	%
SALEM	8546	%
MERRIMACK	8641	%
PELHAM	10722	%
HAMPSTEAD	11254	%
HOLLIS	11373	%
TOTALS		%

MEETING REMINDER

22 Jul 25 1900
 26 Aug 25 1900
 23 Sep 25 1900
 28 Oct 25 1900
 25 Nov 25 1900
 23 Dec 25 1900
 27 Jan 26 1900
 24 Feb 26 1900
 24 Mar 26 1900
 27 Apr 26 1900
 25 May 26 1900
 22 Jun 26 1900

New membership year—"Let's Recruit"!!!!!!

I was unable to get the membership information as the VFW's Online Membership System is down for year end processing.



FUN PAGE



JOKE OF THE MONTH

A boy asks his father, "Dad, are bugs good to eat?" "That's disgusting. Don't talk about things like that over dinner," the dad replies. After dinner the father asks, "Now, son, what did you want to ask me?" "Oh, nothing," the boy says. "There was a bug in your soup, but now it's gone."

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

When you reach the end of your rope, tie a knot in it and hang on.

Franklin D. Roosevelt

DID YOU KNOW

Your tongue is the fastest healing part of your body

MIND TWISTER

A man wanted to encrypt his password but he needed to do it in a way so that he could remember it. He had to use seven characters consisting of letters and numbers only (no symbols like ! or <). In order to remember it, he wrote down "You force heaven to be empty." What is his password?

VETERANS INFORMATION

VFW Legislative Victories This Year

- Passage of the *Senator Elizabeth Dole 21st Century Veterans Healthcare and Benefits Improvement Act*, known as the Dole Act. This significant and long overdue legislative package will expand caregiver benefits for elderly and infirmed veterans; increase the cap for in-home care programs; fix community care options for veterans outside of the VA health care system; extend timelines, eligibility, and availability for certain GI Bill programs; and provide funding for family caregiver mental health services and for sheltering homeless veterans. It incorporated the VFW-championed *Not Just a Number Act*, which has the potential to help reduce veteran suicide.
- Passage of the *Sergeant First Class Heath Robinson Honoring our Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics Act of 2022*, known as the PACT Act. This historic, comprehensive legislation expands health care for generations of veterans who previously had to prove their conditions or illnesses were the result of service-connected exposure to toxic substances or environments. It includes VA provisions for 23 presumptive conditions for rare respiratory diseases and cancers, and creates a framework for the establishment of future presumptions of service connection related to toxic exposure.
- Passage of the *Dr. Kate Hendricks Thomas SERVICE Act* expands eligibility for VA mammography screenings to veterans who served in certain areas during specific time periods, and the *Making Advances in Mammography and Medical Options (MAMMO) for Veterans Act* addresses provisions of mammograms and breast cancer treatment within VA.
- *Global War on Terrorism Memorial Location Act* and Uniform Code of Military Justice reform on sexual assault and harassment included in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022.
- Implementation of VA's maternity care coordination program to equip community care providers with training and support for the unique pregnancy and postpartum needs of women veterans.
- Passage of the *PAWS for Veterans Therapy Act* which will establish a pilot program on dog training therapy for veterans diagnosed with PTSD and require VA to provide service dogs for those veterans, including veterinary insurance.
- Inclusion of bladder cancer, hypothyroidism, and parkinsonism to the list of Department of Veterans Affairs presumptive conditions for herbicide exposure.
- Passage of the *Deborah Sampson Act*, which will remove the barriers to health care impacting women veterans.
- Elimination of the 12-year limit on using Veteran Readiness and Employment



CALENDAR



September 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Cootie Meeting 1900	4	5	6
7 Lost Cowboy Flag Retirement Ceremony Noon	8	9 Auxiliary Meeting 1830 Legislative Conference, Washington, D..C.	10 Legislative Conference, Washington, D..C.	11 9/11 Ceremony 0900 Legislative Conference, Washington, D..C.	12 Legislative Conference, Washington, D..C.	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 POW Ceremony Boscawen 1030
21	22 Langdon Place 1330	23 Post Meeting 1900	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

ANSWER TO BRAIN TWISTER

Try to pronounce the sentence like these characters: u472bmt.



POST NEWS

**BREAKING
NEWS**



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page on **1200**

Auxiliary Meeting Dates

8 Jul 25 1830
12 Aug 25 1830
9 Sep 25 1830
14 Oct 25 1830
11 Nov 25 1830
9 Dec 25 1830
13 Jan 26 1830
10 Feb 26 1830
10 Mar 26 1830
14 Apr 26 1830
12 May 26 1830
9 Jun 26 1830



State Commander Andy Carrow receiving the All American State Commander Award for New Hampshire, from VFW National Commander Al Liphardt.

POST NEWS

We need new members! Our numbers are dwindling. It's everyone responsibility to recruit. Help your post if you want it to survive. You can also help it by renewing your membership early. By renewing early all you are doing is extending your expiration date by 1 year. Your expiration date will not change. We ask you to renew early and bring in a new member. Also it is important for you to attend as many meetings as you can. If you cannot attend you can join the meeting virtually on WEBEX. The link is sent out by email prior to the [post](#) meeting. If you have not provided the post with an email address and you have one please send it to the post Adjutant at nashuavfwpost483@gmail.com so you can be added to the email list. You can access the link by left clicking the word "post" in blue underlined. This will take you to the link. Click the link and punch in the ID and password. ID is 126 096 8690 Password is PApJ3jWMj47



Post 483' representatives Marc and Rene Plante.



District 6 representatives at the National Convention.



QUARTERMASTER'S CORNER



New National Officers



Carol Whitmore C-I-C (center), Corey Geisler Sr. Vice C-I-C left), Glenn Umberger Jr. Vice C-I-C (right).

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS TO THE POST

Welcome the following new members.

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Robert Buonopane

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BATTLE OF THE MONTH



Battle of Antietam

The **Battle of Antietam** ([*/æˈnˈtiːtəm/ an-TEE-təm*](#)), also called the **Battle of Sharpsburg**, particularly in the [Southern United States](#), took place during the [American Civil War](#) on September 17, 1862, between Confederate General [Robert E. Lee](#)'s [Army of Northern Virginia](#) and Union Major General [George B. McClellan](#)'s [Army of the Potomac](#) near [Sharpsburg, Maryland](#), and [Antietam Creek](#). Part of the [Maryland Campaign](#), it was the first [field army](#)-level engagement in the [Eastern Theater of the American Civil War](#) to take place on Union soil. It remains the bloodiest day in American history, with a tally of 22,727 dead, wounded, or missing on both sides. Although the Union Army suffered heavier casualties than the Confederates, the battle was a major turning point in the Union's favor.

After pursuing [Confederate](#) General Robert E. Lee into [Maryland](#), [Major General](#) George B. McClellan of the [Union Army](#) launched attacks against Lee's army who were in defensive positions behind Antietam Creek. At dawn on September 17, Major General [Joseph Hooker](#)'s corps mounted a powerful assault on Lee's left flank. Attacks and counterattacks swept across [Miller's Cornfield](#), and fighting swirled around the [Dunker Church](#). Union assaults against the Sunken Road eventually pierced the Confederate center, but the Federal advantage was not followed up. In the afternoon, Union Major General [Ambrose Burnside](#)'s corps entered the action, capturing [a stone bridge](#) over Antietam Creek and advancing against the Confederate right. At a crucial moment, Confederate Major General [A. P. Hill](#)'s division arrived from [Harpers Ferry](#) and launched a surprise counterattack, driving back Burnside and ending the battle. Although outnumbered two-to-one, Lee committed his entire force, while McClellan sent in less than three-quarters of his army, enabling Lee to fight the Federals to a standstill. During the night, both armies consolidated their lines. In spite of crippling casualties, Lee continued to skirmish with McClellan throughout September 18, while removing his battered army south of the [Potomac River](#).

McClellan successfully turned Lee's invasion back, making the battle a strategic Union victory. From a [tactical](#) standpoint, the battle was somewhat inconclusive; the Union Army successfully repelled the Confederate invasion, but suffered heavier casualties and failed to defeat Lee's army outright. President [Abraham Lincoln](#), unhappy with McClellan's general pattern of overcaution and his failure to pursue the retreating Lee, relieved McClellan of command in November. Nevertheless, the strategic accomplishment was a significant turning point in the war in favor of the Union due in large part to its political ramifications: the battle's result gave Lincoln the political confidence to issue the [Emancipation Proclamation](#). This effectively discouraged the British and French governments from recognizing the Confederacy, as neither power wished to give the appearance of supporting slavery.





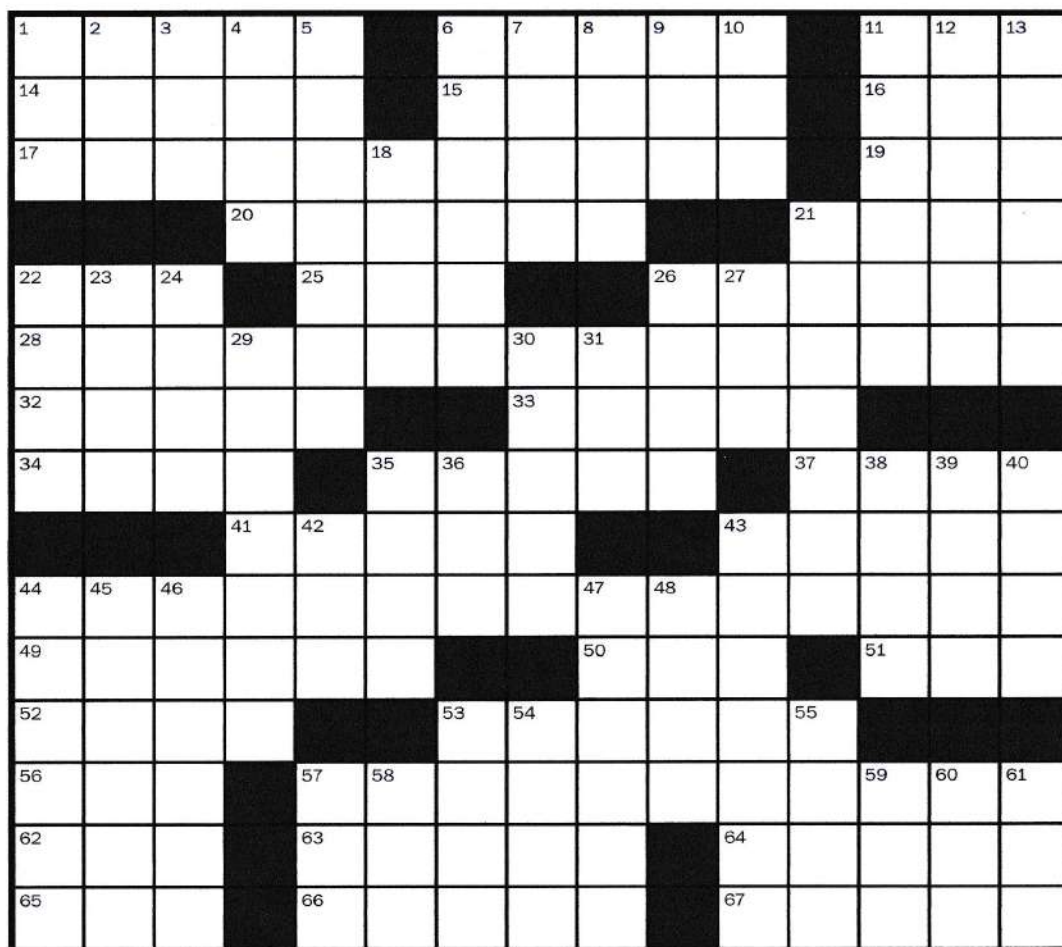
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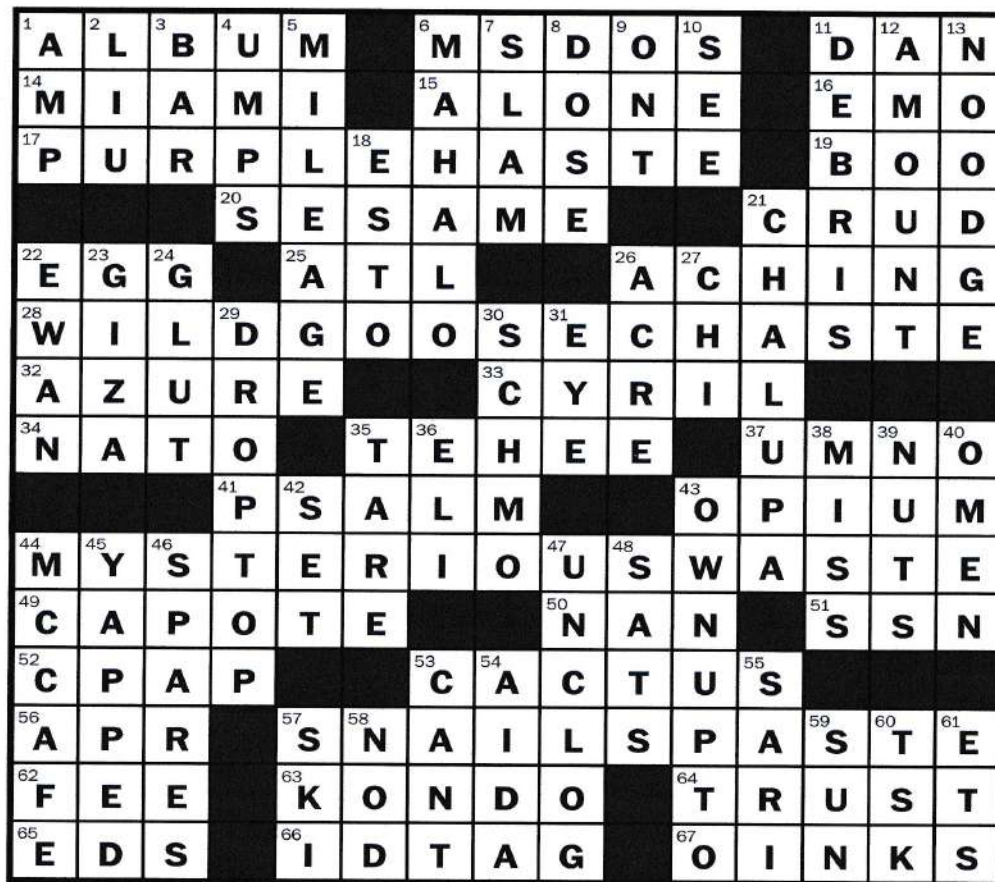


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Funnies

Beetle Bailey *by Greg Walker, Brian Walker and Neal Walker*



Blondie *by Dean Young*



Andy Capp *by Reginald Smythe*





Flyers and posters for your posts events are posted in this section of the newsletter. If you want to advertise your events, please send your flyer or poster via email to the editor to have it posted in this newsletter.



126th National VFW Convention held in Columbus, Ohio.

NH State Commander Andy Carrow receiving the All American State Commander Certificate from Al Lippencot, Commander in Chief.



Post Jr. Vice Marc Plante and Post Auxiliary Treasurer Renee Plante at the National Convention

IF YOU'VE EARNED THESE



European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal



Vietnam Service Medal



Southwest Asia Service Medal



Afghanistan Campaign Medal



Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon w/ Gold Border



Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal



Korean Service Medal



Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal



Iraq Campaign Medal



Coast Guard Combat Action Ribbon



American Defense Service Medal



Korean Defense Service Medal



Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal



Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal



Combat Action Ribbon



American Campaign Medal



Army of Occupation / Navy Occupation Service Medal



Navy Expeditionary Medal



Kosovo Campaign Medal



Air Force Combat Action Medal



Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal



Combat Infantryman Badge



Combat Medical Badge



Combat Action Badge



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QUALIFYING FOREIGN SERVICE:
 WW II VIETNAM SERVICE AFGHANISTAN (2001 - present) HOSTILE FIRE/IMMINENT DANGER PAY
 OCCUPATIONAL SERVICE DESERT SHIELD/STORM IRAQ (2003 - 2011) Location _____
 KOREAN SERVICE (1950-1954) BOSNIA/KOSOVO SSGN DETERRENT PATROL INSIGNIA Dates _____
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I authorize the VFW to charge my account a one-time payment of \$ _____

LIFE MEMBER INSTALLMENT PLAN

I authorize the VFW to automatically charge my account \$ _____ to be paid in 11 monthly installment payments after my initial payment of \$45.00.

I authorize the VFW to charge the \$45.00 initial payment and I understand that I will be billed for the remaining 11 monthly installment payments.

Credit Card # _____

(Mastercard, Visa, Discover or Amex only)

EXP. DATE _____ AMOUNT \$ _____ Signature _____

NEW Post # _____ FORMER MEMBER # _____

TRANSFER from Post # _____ State _____ to Post # _____

RECRUITER _____ ID# _____
(Please print)

QUARTERMASTER (Signature) _____

Life Member Options

AGE as of DECEMBER 31*	One-Time Payment	\$45 + 11 Payments of
18-30 Years Old	\$425.00	\$38.64
31-40 Years Old	\$410.00	\$37.27
41-50 Years Old	\$375.00	\$34.09
51-60 Years Old	\$335.00	\$30.45
61-70 Years Old	\$290.00	\$26.36
71-80 Years Old	\$225.00	\$20.45
81 Years & Over	\$170.00	\$15.45

Automatic Payment Plan Terms and Conditions: You authorize the VFW to initiate electronic debit entries or affect a charge by any other commercially accepted practice to your account set forth above for the payment of dues reflected on this application. You understand such charges may be made within 2-3 business days of payment due date. For installment payments, charges will be made on or around the 1st or the 15th day of the month. This authorization will remain in full force until VFW has received notification from you of its termination or upon completion of the installment payments. Annual dues are subject to change. By completing this authorization, you acknowledge that you will only receive notice when the payment would differ by more than \$10.00 from the most recent payment. Call VFW Customer Service at 1-800-963-3180 or write to VFW at VFW P.O. Box 119028, Kansas City, MO. 64171 to inquire about or cancel a payment, or to report problems such as bank closures, lost or stolen account numbers, closed accounts or unauthorized transactions. Cancellation requests must be received no later than 11:59 p.m. Central Time ten business days prior to the scheduled payment date. If you are unaware of the charge date for your account, please contact VFW. If a payment is returned by your financial institution (e.g., due to insufficient funds, incorrect account information, closed account, etc.) the VFW will contact you at the address we have on file for you, explaining why the payment could not be processed, and providing alternate payment options. The privilege of making payments under this agreement may be revoked by VFW if any item is not paid upon presentation. You may have additional rights and responsibilities under the Electronic Funds Transfer Act.

Life Membership Installment Plan Terms and Conditions: The VFW Life Membership Installment plan allows any VFW member/applicant to purchase a Life Membership by making an initial payment of \$45.00 and (11) monthly payments. The member will be issued an Annual membership card at the time of enrollment. The member may elect to receive a monthly statement by mail or may set up a payment profile to make the monthly payment automatically using a credit/debit card or bank account. A payoff amount will be printed on each monthly invoice, allowing the member the option to pay in full. A permanent Life Membership card will be issued upon the completion of payments. The Life Membership fee is determined from the schedule using the applicant's age on December 31 of the year in which the application is submitted.

Delinquencies will be handled as follows: Up to 30 days - continue to bill, 31 to 120 days - delinquency can be corrected through make up payment(s) or plan end date pushed forward. More than 120 days - member is dropped from the Installment Plan, all monthly payments made to date, are applied to future years annual dues.

VFW PLEDGE I do, of my own free will and accord, solemnly promise and declare that:

I will bear true allegiance -- to the Constitution of the United States of America -- and I will always be loyal thereto. I do further solemnly promise and declare -- that I will comply with the Congressional Charter -- By-Laws and Ritual of this order -- and I will always be loyal thereto -- that I will never wrong or defraud this organization -- nor a member thereof -- nor permit any wrong to be done to either -- if in my power to prevent it. I will never propose for membership -- any person not eligible -- nor one whom I know to be unworthy. I will never make known to anyone -- not authorized to receive it -- any of the work of this order. Should my affiliation -- with the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States -- cease in any way -- I will consider this pledge -- as binding outside of the order -- as though I had remained a member of same. All this I promise and pledge -- upon the honor of a true comrade -- and a citizen of our great republic.

I attest that I am a citizen of the United States, that my Campaign Service was honorable, that I have never subsequently been discharged from military service under dishonorable conditions. I also certify that (1) I am entitled to a campaign ribbon or medal authorized by the U.S. Government based on my overseas service or; (2) I have served overseas in Korea or; I have received Imminent Danger/Hostile Fire pay. I further give authority to the Veterans of Foreign Wars to verify honorable overseas service entitling me to membership.

The review committee has performed its duties and recommends approval, rejection.

Applicants Signature & Date _____

\$1.98 of your membership dues goes towards your VFW magazine subscription.

Committee Member _____ Committee Member _____ Committee Member _____

VFW AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP / MEMBER TRANSFER APPLICATION

Recruited/Recommended by: _____ Recruiter Member ID _____

Auxiliary No. _____ City _____ State _____ Member ID (if already a member) _____

☐ Annual Membership ☐ Life Membership

☐ Rejoin Membership Rejoined Previous Member ID No. _____ Previous Auxiliary _____

☐ Member at Large in Department of _____ ☐ Member at Large - VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters

THESE FIELDS REQUIRED

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Address _____ Male ☐ Female ☐

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ Email _____

POST-AFFILIATED (*Must be a member to the VFW Post affiliated with the Auxiliary to which you are applying.)

Relationship _____ to Eligible Veteran* _____ VFW Membership ID _____

☐ LIFE MEMBER TRANSFER Previous Auxiliary _____

☐ ANNUAL TRANSFER Previous Auxiliary _____ ☐ Paying ☐ Nonpaying

☐ ANNUAL TRANSFER CONVERTING TO LIFE (Fill out Life Membership Information below.) Previous Auxiliary _____

THESE FIELDS REQUIRED

NON-AFFILIATED (*Veteran is not a member of the VFW Post affiliated with the Auxiliary to which you are applying.)

Relationship _____ to Eligible Veteran* _____ VFW Post (if applicable) _____

Name of campaign ribbons or medals: _____

Dates of Service: _____ to _____ Location: _____

Investigating Committee Signatures

1 ☒ _____ 2 ☒ _____ 3 ☒ _____

Per Section 102 of the National Bylaws. ☐ Rejected ☐ Accepted Meeting Date _____ Obligated Date _____

LIFE MEMBERSHIP ONLY ☐ Check here if this is a gift. Credit cards may NOT be used for initial payment of Annual Dues.

☐ Cash ☐ Check ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover ☐ AMEX

Life Membership Fee _____

Name on credit card _____

Billing address for card _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Credit Card No. _____

CVV Code _____ Exp. Date _____

Signature ☒ _____ Date _____

LIFE MEMBERSHIP ONLY

☐ ACH (Bank withdrawal)

Name of Bank _____

Bank Routing No. _____

Account No. _____

Attach voided check HERE.
(Required)

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEES

Life Membership fees are not refundable.

Attained age by 12/31 of year applying for Life Membership.

Through 20	\$253
21-25	\$242
26-30	\$230
31-35	\$219
36-40	\$213
41-45	\$201
46-50	\$196
51-55	\$184
56-60	\$173
61-65	\$161
66-70	\$150
71-75	\$132
76-80	\$109
81-85	\$86
86-90	\$69
91 and over	\$58

OBLIGATION In the presence of Almighty God and the members of this organization here assembled, I do of my own free will and accord, solemnly promise that I will never wrong or defraud this organization nor a member thereof nor permit either to be wronged if in my power to prevent it. I will never propose for membership any person not eligible, according to our Bylaws. I further state that I believe in God. I will be faithful to the United States of America, obedient to the laws and loyal to the Flag. Should my membership with this organization cease in any way, I will consider this obligation as binding outside of the organization as though I had remained a member. I do so promise.

I attest that I am a citizen of the United States or a U.S. National, and am at least 18 years of age. I further state that I believe in God. I pledge to comply with the National Bylaws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Auxiliary. I attest I am not eligible for membership in the VFW. I further attest that the above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, including my stated relationship to the Veteran.

Signature ☒ _____ (Must be signed by all members.)



MILITARY ORDER OF THE COOTIE

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



New Cootie

Reinstated Cootie

Date: _____ Cootie No. _____ Recruited By: _____

Pup Tent Name, Number and Location

Applicant's Name (Print): _____

Address: _____
Street Address City State Zip

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Notify in Emergency: _____

DOB: _____ Branch of Service: _____ Rank (Highest): _____

Enlistment Date: _____ Discharge Date: _____

Hat Size: _____ Present Occupation: _____

Dues paid to December 31, 20____ or VFW Life Member # _____

VFW Post Name and Number

Located in: _____
City State Zip

I certify that I am an active member of the VFW of the U.S.
and am desirous of becoming a member of the MOC –
"The Honor Degree of the VFW".

Applicant's Signature _____

Recommended and Verified (PRINTED) by:

Cootie No: _____

Cootie No: _____

Accepted into Pup Tent on Date: _____

1st Degree accepted Date: _____2nd Degree accepted Date: _____3rd Degree received and title of Cootie bestowed
on this Date: _____

VFW CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY

_____, _____ Located in _____
Post Name Post No. City, State and Zip

This is to certify that Comrade _____

Name of Applicant

Has been a member of the VFW for the preceding six (6) months, and that he has fulfilled one of the
following qualifications as indicated:

(1) Held the following Office in the Post: _____

OR

(2) Served on the following Post Committee: _____

Certified to by a majority of the members present at a meeting of this Post held on (Date): _____

Attest:

Post Adjutant (PRINT)

Post Commander (PRINT)

Post Adjutant (Signature)

Post Commander (Signature)