



Monthly Newsletter

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MONTH: March 2025

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POST COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



Comrades,

Welcome to March, not sure about all of you but I am ready for spring. With spring coming, I want you all to think about fundraising and events we can do together. Loyalty Day is quickly approaching, and we will need volunteers to help set up and tear down the chairs and table at the Senior Center for the Ceremony.

Post Officer nominations and elections will be coming up as well. I am officially letting you all know that I would like to remain Commander and will be seeking nomination.

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

Yours in comradeship,

Chris DiTullio
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State Commander's Message



From the Desk of the Department Commander March 2025



Comrades of Post 483,

A number of us will be heading to Washing DC on March 2d to attend the VFW Washington Conference and Scholastic Awards banquet in Washington, DC.

Two and a half years ago, in September 2022, was my first opportunity to attend. It was really an eye opener for me. I loved it and feel that's where I want to focus my time after my Command year. I feel that this is where the "rubber meets the road" for the VFW. We do such great work in our communities in helping Veterans and their families but at the National level we are holding our elected officials accountable.

The 119th Congress is now in session. Fortunately, the Senator Elizabeth Dole 21st Century Veterans Healthcare and Benefits Improvement Act was passed and signed into law in the final days of the previous Congress. This bipartisan, bicameral legislative package was a significant and long overdue victory for transitioning service members, veterans, caretakers, and survivors. However, there is a lot of unfinished business. That is what we will be addressing in DC! Please familiarize yourself with our 2025 priorities.

<https://www.vfw.org/advocacy/national-legislative-service>

AJ Corrow, Department Commander



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





POST PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



No Article Submitted

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Greetings from the Chaplain's desk

Deceased Members:
None

Hope this report finds everyone doing well and coping with this winter weather that we're having. Hopefully we can all take solace in the fact that spring is just around the corner and sunshine is on the way.

I have visited comrade Angelo Ruocco, who has been in St Joseph hospital, dealing with health issues. Please keep Angelo in your thoughts and prayers.

A card was sent out to life member Richard Kiley, who is now in the Tilton Veterans Home. Please keep Richard in your thoughts.

If you know of any of our veterans, that are in distress or in need of assistance, please let the Post know, so that we may reach out to them. The Post is an integral part of the community and participates in many events and services throughout the year. We are here to provide support in any way that we can.

Yours in Comradeship,
Herbert CT Townsend
Chaplain
Post 483

HOUSE COMMITTEE

Chairman: Herbert "C.T." Townsend
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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, 8 September 2024 , Hudson

Sunday, 27 October 2024, Derry

Sunday, 26 January 2025, Merrimack

Sunday, 27 April 2025, Pelham (Encampment)



MEMBERSHIP



CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

Dst	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	Div	R S	City	State	N/R LM	Retention
6	120	3	0	41	164	181	%	3		NASH UA	NH	0	90.60%

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	90.61%
DERRY	1617	89.01%
HUDSON	5791	101.25%
SALEM	8546	94.78%
MERRIMACK	8641	99.43%
PELHAM	10722	88.80%
HAMPSTEAD	11254	92.11%
HOLLIS	11373	89.13%
TOTALS		93.73%

**MEETING
REMINDER**

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



FUN PAGE



JOKE OF THE MONTH

Reaching the end of a job interview, the Human Resources Officer asks a young engineer fresh out of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, "And what starting salary are you looking for?" The engineer replies, "In the region of \$125,000 a year, depending on the benefits package." The interviewer inquires, "Well, what would you say to a package of five weeks vacation, 14 paid holidays, full medical and dental, company matching retirement fund to 50% of salary, and a company car leased every two years, say, a red Corvette?" The engineer sits up straight and says, "Wow! Are you kidding?" The interviewer replies, "Yeah, but you started it."

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

There is nothing permanent except change.

[Heraclitus](#)

DID YOU KNOW

Tennis was originally played with bare hands

MIND TWISTER

Find a number less than 100 that is increased by one-fifth of its value when its digits are reversed.



VETERANS INFORMATION

Hegseth Confirmed as Secretary of Defense: After a narrow confirmation vote in the Senate, Pete Hegseth, a former Army National Guard major, was sworn in as the 29th secretary of defense. Upon taking office, Hegseth outlined his vision for reforming the military, emphasizing accountability, high standards, and merit within the Department of Defense. He stressed the need to restore warfighting readiness, reduce bureaucracy, and reallocate resources to boost military effectiveness.

VA Helps Veterans Preserve Their Legacy: VA has expanded access to the Veterans Legacy Memorial (VLM) to permit eligible veterans to record their own life stories. VLM is the country's largest digital platform dedicated to the memory of veterans and service members. The new "Your Story, Your Legacy" feature will allow secure submission of images, autobiographies, life and military milestones, and historical documents. Following the veteran's passing and approval of a request for burial or memorial benefit, VA will release the veteran's content to the individual's VLM page on the public-facing website.


VFW 2025 Priority Goals: The 119th Congress is now in session. Fortunately, the Senator Elizabeth Dole 21st Century Veterans Healthcare and Benefits Improvement Act was passed and signed into law in the final days of the previous Congress. This bipartisan, bicameral legislative package was a significant and long overdue victory for transitioning service members, veterans, caretakers, and survivors. However, there was much unfinished work on other important legislation. The [VFW 2025 Priority Goals](#) include many issues that still need to be addressed. We will continue to advocate diligently to ensure the newly seated Congress provides the resources and care our nation's veterans and their families have earned.



CALENDAR



March 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Auxiliary Meeting 1000 Washington, D.C. Conference
2 Washington, D.C. Conference	3 Washington, D.C. Conference	4 Washington, D.C. Conference	5 Cootie Meeting 1900 Washington, D.C. Conference	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15 Ides of March 
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25 Post Meeting 1900	26	27	28	29
30	31 Langdon Place 1330					

ANSWER TO BRAIN TWISTER

45 (1/5 of 45 = 9, 9 + 45 = 54)



POST NEWS

**BREAKING
NEWS**



IF YOU USE FACEBOOK

GO TO

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Scan this QR Code and pay
your dues with your phone.
Just select the membership
page on the Zeffy site.

Auxiliary Meeting Dates

5 Jul 24 1300
2 Aug 24 1300
6 Sep 24 1300
4 Oct 24 1300
1 Nov 24 1300
6 Dec 24 1300
4 Jan 25 1000
1 Feb 25 1000
1 Mar 25 1000
5 Apr 25 1000
3 May 25 1000
7 Jun 25 1000

Mark your calendars for 4 May 2025. Our Loyalty Day Ceremony will be held at the Nashua Senior Center, 70 Temple St. at 1000. All post members and auxiliary members are welcome to attend.

We will not have the Coliseum Ave. Liquor Store this Memorial Day. It has been booked by someone else. I have asked for the new store by the Pleasant Lane Mall. Waiting to here.

We are planning two fishing trips this year. One on 19 May and 14 September. It would cost \$50 per person to go. The post will pay the down payment for the boat and the balance of the cost. We want to limit attending to 35. More info to follow.

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



QUARTERMASTER'S CORNER



I ask all members, post and auxiliary that when you bring something to the post do not just sit it down anywhere you please. Put it where it belongs. If you do not know where it goes, put it in the store room with the red door until you find out where it belongs.

We are in need of having a fundraiser. We need to support the funds we receive from Charitable Gaming if we get it. There is a bill in the State House to limit the amount non-profits get to \$50,000. Your state representatives should be contact and told to vote no on this bill. The small non-profits would suffer more than the larger ones. They receive corporate donations where the smaller ones do not.

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BATTLE OF THE MONTH



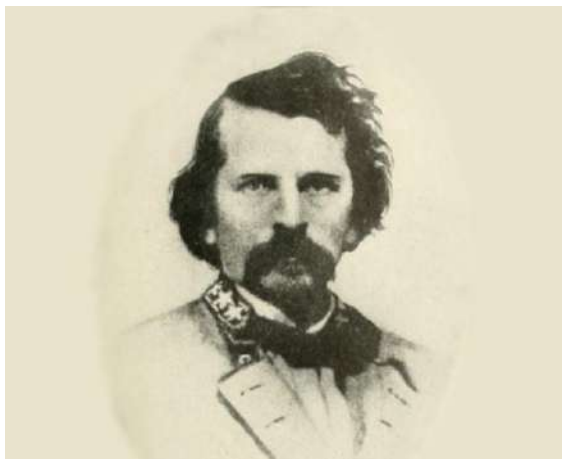
BATTLE OF PEA RIDGE

ELKHORN TAVERN

By the spring of 1862, Union forces had pushed Confederates south and west through Missouri into northwestern Arkansas. On the night of March 6, 1862, Confederate Maj. Gen. Earl Van Dorn and his 16,000-man Army of the West set out to counterattack the Union position near Pea Ridge. Hoping to move quickly, in a fateful decision, Van Dorn ordered the supply trains far to the rear. Learning of Van Dorn's approach, some 10,000 Federals in Brig. Gen. Samuel R. Curtis's Army of the Southwest marched to meet the Rebel advance the next day. The forces met near Elkhorn Tavern just three miles south of the Missouri border and fighting quickly ensued. Two Confederate generals, Brig. Gens. Ben McCulloch and James McQueen McIntosh, were killed in the action, halting the Rebel momentum. By nightfall, the Confederates controlled Elkhorn Tavern and the Telegraph Road. Curtis consolidated his force during the night, and the next day, counterattacked near the tavern and, by successfully employing his artillery, slowly forced the Rebels back. Running short of ammunition due to the absence of supply support, Van Dorn abandoned the battlefield, leaving Arkansas virtually defenseless. With the Confederate defeat, the Union controlled the border state of Missouri for the next two years.



UNION GENERAL SAMUEL R. CURTIS



CONFEDERATE GENERAL EARL VAN DORN



CROSSWORD PUZZLE



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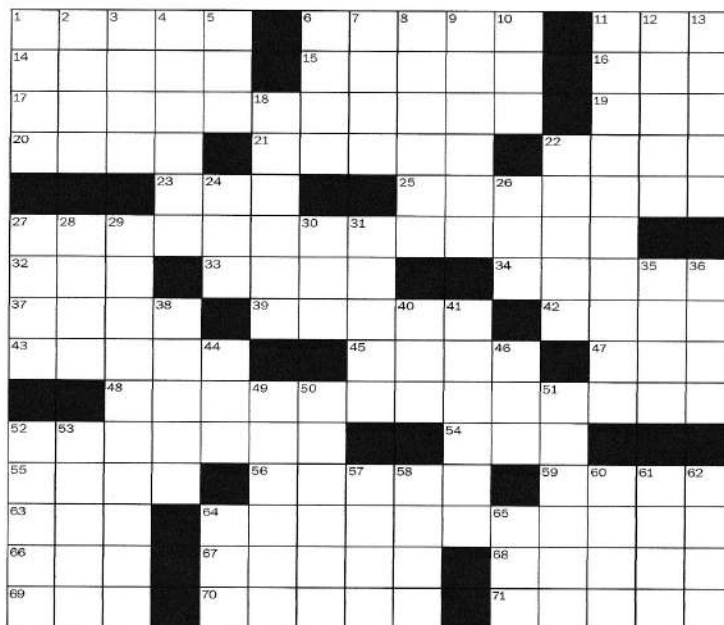
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Funnies

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.

Annual
Homeland Heroes
ALOHA
HAWAII
GALA

March 29, 2025
Castleton Event Center, Windham NH
5:00 - 11:00pm

\$85pp

dinner ~ live & silent auctions ~
top 40 Live music with
The Scott Spradling
Band

 **HOMELAND
HEROES**
FOUNDATION

 **The
SCOTT
SPRADLING
Band**



Free Skiing/Riding Day for Veterans!

The Lakes Region Veterans Coalition, Camp Resilience and Gunstock Mountain Resort are partnering to offer free skiing/riding at Gunstock on Monday, March 17th, 2025. This is offered at no cost to any interested Veteran!



This event includes lift passes, free equipment rental if needed and skiing or snowboarding instruction for veterans who have never skied or ridden before or need a refresher. It also includes a free lunch at the new Barrel Bar & Grille at Gunstock.



The event will start with lunch at 11:30AM followed by skiing or riding in groups based on ability level. However, Veterans can arrive as early as 9AM to ski/ride on their own or with other Veterans until lunch.

Again, this event is free for any interested veteran! Spaces are limited and will be given out on a first come, first served basis.

If you are interested in attending, please contact us no later than Monday, March 10th. If you need equipment, please contact us by March 7th, if possible, as this will make the process of getting the equipment on March 17th much quicker and easier.

If you are interested, email us at info@lrvn.org or call/text 603-520-3989.



Nashua VFW Post 483 Loyalty Day



Date: 3 May 2025

Time: 10:00 AM

Location: Nashua Senior Center

Address: 70 Temple St., Nashua, NH



Awards will be given to the following:

Voice of Democracy Winner

Patriot Pen Winners

ROTC Cadet

Police Officer

Firefighter

Teacher



Lunch will be provided following the ceremony.

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



SSBN Deterrent Patrol Insignia

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VFW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME _____ EMAIL _____
First Middle Initial Last

ADDRESS _____
Street City State Zip

DATES OF SERVICE _____ to _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____ PHONE _____
MM / YY MM / YY MM / DD / YYYY

MILITARY SERVICE ACTIVE DUTY VETERAN NAT. GUARD/RESERVE BRANCH OF SERVICE ARMY NAVY AIR FORCE MARINES COAST GUARD

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	SSBN DETERRENT PATROL INSIGNIA	Dates _____
KOREA DUTY (1955 - present)	GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONARY	EXPEDITIONARY OPERATIONS	

Payment Authorization - You may pay by check or credit card. For payments by check, you will receive a yearly statement by mail. For credit card payments, please complete the following:

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I authorize the VFW to automatically charge my account \$ _____ on a yearly basis to pay my Annual membership dues.

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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)