



Indiana

GENERAL ORDERS #1

1 July 2026
2026-2027 Series

TO BE READ AT MEETINGS AND POSTED:

1. Having been elected State Commander and having been installed in the office in accordance with the Bylaws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States and the Department of Indiana, I hereby assume command.

2. The following officers have been duly elected and installed at the Annual State Convention:

Commander	Dave Hammons	Post 908
Senior Vice Commander	Ken Lange	Post 10003
Jr Vice Commander	Keith Rohloff	Post 9297
Quartermaster	Michael Jordan	Post 10003
Judge Advocate	Shelley Jacobs	Post 1282
Surgeon	Dan Gann	Post 360
Chaplain	Larry Patch	Post 1587
1 st District Commander	Jessie Casiano	Post 2697
2 nd District Commander	Adam Ferguson	Post 7760
3 rd District Commander	Stanley Miles	Post 360
4 th District Commander	Dick Lineberry	Post 2457
5 th District Commander	Ruben Temple	Post 1152
6 th District Commander	Daniel Jensen	Post 1752
7 th District Commander	Michael Osburn	Post 1257
8 th District Commander	Jerry Blake	Post 1114
9 th District Commander	Ken Mattingly	Post 6582
10 th District Commander	Dave Fradenburg	Post 1108
11 th District Commander	Jim Stone	Post 261

3. All previous appointments have expired and are declared invalid.

4. As State Commander, I hereby make the following appointments:

Adjutant	Rebecca Murphy	Post 1282
Chief of Staff	Eric Billman	Post 6904
Inspector	Dave Fradenburg	Post 1108
Buddy Poppy	Ruben Temple	Post 1152
Building Committee	Michael Jordan	Post 261
	Ken Lange	Post 10003
	Sheila Corcoran	Post 1587

Camping	Keith Rohloff	Post 9297
Citizenship Education (Teacher)	Bill Clark	Post 5864
Community Activities	Edie Toll-Seiler	Post 2695
Conference & Convention	Jerry Blake	Post 1114
	William Weberding	Post 3183
Dean School of Instruction	Jerry Blake	Post 1114
Finance Committee	Dan Gann (Chairman)	Post 360
	Eric Billman	Post 6904
	Keith Rohloff	Post 9297
	Dan Peterson	Post 9982
	Dave Fradenburg	Post 1108
	Andy Whitt	Post 972
Fire/Police/EMT	Rebecca Murphy	Post 1282
Golf	Darrel Knight	Post 972
Guard	Paul Glover	Post 1114
Historian	William (Ed) Shoultz	Post 1114
Homeless Veterans	Shannon Carr	Post 6128
Hospital Chairman	Jerry Pitts	Post 7119
Hospital VAVS Ft. Wayne	Dick Lineberry	Post 2457
Hospital VAVS Indianapolis	Jerry Pitts	Post 7119
Hospital VAVS Marion	Lloyd Louks	Post 1120
Hospital VAVS Evansville	Rolland Street	Post 60
Hospital VAVS Indiana Combat Vet Editor/Publisher	Larry Lukeman	Post 1114
Indiana Veterans Home	Larry Patch	Post 1587
Legislative National	Anthony Hustedt	Post 1154
Legislative National	Richard Leirer	Post 10003
Legislative State	Judy King	Post 1282
Chairman Big 4	Richard Ellis	Post 908
Legislative State Big 4	Judy King	Post 1282
Legislative State Big 4	Ken Lange	Post 10003
Legislative State Big 4	Dave Hammons	Post 908
Legislative State	Ray Leonberger	Post 1752
Loyalty Day	Rob Loy	Post 6246
Membership Chairman	Tom Bunnell	Post 6904
Membership North	Dan Gann	Post 360
Membership Central	Judy King	Post 1282
Membership Central	Rebecca Murphy	Post 1282
Membership Central	Russell Pryor	Post 261
Membership South	Tim Morris	Post 5864

Mental Health Awareness	Ken Mattingly	Post 6582
	Sheila Corcoran	Post 1587
National Home	Diane Pettit	Post 5626
Patriots Pen	Kevin Banda	Post 1130
POW/MIA	Ken Lange	Post 10003
Public Relations	Dave Hammons	Post 908
Registration	Chris Englehardt	Post 6751
Registration	Lonnie McDade	Post 2151
Sgt. At Arms	Izzy Menchaca	Post 6246
Asst. Sgt. At Arms	James Loy	Post 6246
Student Veterans	Russell Pryor	Post 261
Veterans & Military Support	Mark Carr	Post 6128
VFW Riders	Kenneth Seal	Post 5864
Voice of Democracy	Adam Bethard	Post 6128
Women Veterans	Laura McKee	Post 1587
Women Veterans	Celeste Rhoads-Herrera	Post 5782
Youth Activities	Andy Whitt	Post 972
Veterans Service Chairman	Richard Leirer	Post 10003
Veterans Service Committee	Sheila Corcoran	Post 1587
	Cory Mahan	Post 2714
	Roger Ferguson	Post 1114

5. **ALL ELECTED AND APPOINTED STATE OFFICERS** must submit proof of eligibility to the State Adjutant immediately if you were not a State Officer in 2026-2027. **This includes District Commander, District Senior, and Junior Vices.**

6. **All Posts** are hereby directed that they will adhere to the National Bylaws, Manual of Procedures, Ritual and State Bylaws.

7. **Post Commanders:** Attention to incoming Post Officers, you are directed to Section 218 of the Manual of Procedure which outlines the duties of various Post Officers. Please make sure that you provide a copy of the duties to these Officers so that they may have a successful year.

8. **Post Commanders:** Section 218 of the Manual of Procedure requires that the Post Commander shall see that the Post Trustees Report of Audit are properly prepared and submitted each quarter to the State Adjutant.

9. **Post and District Trustees Report of Audit** for the quarter ending 30 June 2026 is due to the State Headquarters not later than **31 July 2026.**

10. **District/Post Commanders:** Attention is called to the provisions of Section 703 of the National Bylaws: Each officer accountable for funds or property pursuant to any provisions of the Bylaws shall be bonded

with an indemnity company as surety in the sum at least equal to the amount of liquid assets for which, as far as can be anticipated, may be accountable. The bond premium shall be paid from the funds of the Veterans of Foreign wars of the United States, Department, District, or Post to which each officer is accountable. The bonds of such accountable officers, in amount and as surety, shall be approved by their respective units and be held by their respective Commanders. The Commander of each unit shall be responsible for the proper and adequate bonding of accountable officers in the unit.

11. **District Quartermasters** are directed to Article IV of the Department Bylaws that they shall submit to the State Adjutant within sixty (60) days after their District Convention, a copy of the District Budget for the ensuing years.

12. **C of A and Committee Members:** District Commanders are reminded that in the event you are unable to attend the C of A meeting that SR/JR Vice Commander must be present in your place. All C of A and Committee Members are advised that you must notify both the State Commander and State Adjutant if you are unable to attend a Council of Administration Meeting/Business Session Meeting for the year 2026-2027. Also, a **COPY OF YOUR REPORT MUST** be forwarded to the State Adjutant prior to the meeting for presentation at the meeting and inclusion in the minutes.

13. **Attention to all Post Commanders** are required to attend or send a representative to each District Meetings. Reference is directed to Section 218 section (k) which reads: "Assure that the (Post) Commander, or their representative, attend all properly called for District Conventions or meetings."

14. **2026 School of Instruction** is Saturday 29 August 2026 at the Indianapolis Marriott Center East at 9:00am. Post Commanders, Quartermasters, Adjutants, and Trustees are **HIGHLY** encouraged to attend. Registration is \$32.00 per person, which includes lunch. Registration will be open Saturday morning at 8:00am. Please see the attachments.

15. **Every Post** chartered by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States will be expected to participate in the following VFW Programs during the 2026-2027 year: Voice of Democracy, Patriots Pen, Smart/Maher VFW National Citizens Education Teacher's Award, Buddy Poppy, Day of Service, and National Military Service.

16. **State Commander's Special Project: Mishawaka Troop Town.** The mission is to support veterans by providing housing, resources, and community, while equipping them to live healthier lives and actively engage in the world around them. We are committed to meeting real

needs with practical support, while honoring the service and sacrifice of every individual who walks through our doors.

17. **State Commander Special Visit Request:** Post wishing to have the State Commander attend Post or community functions are to contact the State Adjutant at least four (4) weeks in advance to give time for the invitation to be scheduled. The Commander will attend as many events as possible.

18. **Members** of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Indiana shall not make any statement on behalf of the organization to the media concerning pending VFW Sponsored legislation on a State or National level, or any comments relevant to VFW policies of the State or National nature without first obtaining permission from the Department of Indiana VFW Headquarters.

19. **All members** are reminded that the names, phone numbers, and addresses, including email addresses, shall be considered confidential and shall not be made available for commercial or political use.

20. **State Headquarters** will be closed on 4 July 2025.

21. **July District Meetings:** Please see attachment.

22. **Community Service Reports:** All reports must be done on-line at vfw.org. Any questions please contact Edie Toll-Seiler at edie.seilervfw@gmail.com.

23. **2026-2026 State Shirt** order form attached. Orders must be received by 18 August 2026, to be delivered in October of 2026.

24. **State Golf Tournament: 14-16** August 2025. Please see attached.

25. 2 July - U.S. Army Air Corps established (1926).

26. 4 July - Independence Day.

27. 27 July - Korean War Ended (1953).

28. 28 July - World War 1 Began (1914).

29. Several important documents are attached. Please review all.

BY ORDER OF:



DAVE HAMMONS
STATE COMMANDER

OFFICIAL:



REBECCA MURPHY
STATE ADJUTANT



Indiana

1 July 2026

Comrades,

I want to congratulate Past State Commander Roger Ferguson, and his team on an amazing All-American Year. It has been a pleasure serving with you, your leadership and guidance have taught me a great deal.

I want to thank the membership for putting their trust and confidence in me to lead our State to another All-American year.

We have an incredible strong team of leaders (Muffin Brigade), I know we can get it done, let's have fun as we accomplish our mission this year. One Team and One Mission.

A handwritten signature in black ink, which reads "Dave Hammons". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "D".

DAVE "MUFFIN" HAMMONS
STATE COMMANDER



Indiana

1 July 2026

To: District Commanders and Department Representatives

Subj: DISTRICT MEETINGS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2026

District meetings are scheduled as follows: Department Representatives are listed. If assigned Department Representative cannot attend the meeting, please send an alternate member, and update the State Adjutant at 317-377-1795 or at adj@vfw.in.org.

DISTRICT	DATE	TIME	PLACE OF MEETING	DEPT. REP
ONE	7/12	*12:00pm	Dyer Post 6448	Sheila Corcoran
TWO	7/12	2:00pm	Knox Post 748	Dick Lineberry
THREE	7/12	1:00pm	LaPorte Post 1130	Ken Lange
FOUR	7/18	3:00pm	Churubusco Post 3846	Larry Patch
FIVE	7/18	12:00pm	Elwood Post 5782	Dave Capshaw
SIX	7/12	11:00am	Crawfordsville Post 1431	Jerry Blake
SEVEN	8/9	10:30am	Martinsville Post 1257	Dave Hammons
EIGHT	7/19	10:00am	New Albany Post 3281	Dave Hammons
NINE	7/19	1:00pm	Mitchell Post 9107	Keith Rohloff
TEN	7/19	1:30pm	Brookville Post 2014	Ken Lange
Eleven	7/11	10:30am	Indianapolis Post 1120	Larry Patch

By Order of:

Official:

DAVE HAMMONS
STATE COMMANDER



REBECCA MURPHY
STATE ADJUTANT

*C - Central Time



2026-2027 VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA STATE SHIRTS

Order Deadlines:

Orders **MUST** be received by these deadlines to be delivered at State Conference Events.
Your order will be placed on the closest deadline after it is received.
30 March (to receive at Convention), 4 May (to receive at School), 18 Aug (to receive in Oct)

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Post: _____
Address: _____

All shirts will have VFW Indiana in State outline in orange

Polo

Small to XL-\$28.00 2XL-\$32.00 3XL-\$32.00 4XL-\$34.00 5XL-\$37.00

Men	Size	Quantity	Total \$

Long Sleeve Check Woven Shirt

Small to XL-\$48.00 2XL-\$51.00 3XL-\$52.00 4XL-\$54.00

Men	Size	Quantity	Total \$

¼ Zip

Small to XL-\$41.00 2XL-\$43.00 3XL-\$46.00 4XL-\$48.00

Men	Size	Quantity	Total \$

VFW Indiana in State outline in orange

Name and VFW Office Embroidered on right chest (Up to 3 lines)

Name _____
Title _____
Post/AUX OR Branch of Service _____

Make Checks payable to VFW Department of Indiana include \$10.00 for shipping.

Credit Card Payments: Name: _____
Credit Card # _____ Exp Date: _____ CCV _____

Mail Orders to: VFW Dept. of Indiana 9555 E. 59th St. Indpls., IN 46216	Fax Orders to: (317)377-1797 E-Mail Orders: adj@vfw.in.org
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2026 SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION
29 AUGUST 2026
INDIANAPOLIS MARRIOTT EAST
\$32.00 PER PERSON

Registration must be returned to State Headquarters by Monday,
24 August 2026.

BOX LUNCHESES (PLEASE CHOOSE (1) ONE) :

1. Smoked Ham & Cheddar (Whole Wheat Bun)
2. Shaved Roast Beef & Double Cheese (Kaiser Roll)
3. Italian Club (Ciabatta Hoagie)

All lunches include Bag of Chips, Whole Fresh Fruit, Jumbo
Gourmet Cookie, Assorted Condiments, and bottled Water.

The cost of the School is \$32.00 per person; this is with or
without lunch. Auxiliary Members wishing to have lunch will be
charged \$32.00.

POST NO. _____

Number Attending School _____

Number Attending Lunch _____

Total Cost \$32.00 per person attending \$ _____

**Please return the form (with payment to: VFW DEPARTMENT OF
INDIANA, 9555 E. 59th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46216. Fax:
(317)377-1797 or email adj@vfw.in.org**

**There will be a \$1.00 surcharge for all Credit Card
Transactions.**

Total Charge \$ _____

Credit Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Billing Zip Code: _____

Name on Card: _____

Phone: _____

Reservation Request
Indianapolis Marriott Center East
7202 East 21st Street
Indianapolis, IN 46219
Phone: (317)352-1231
Toll Free: 1-800-228-9290
Fax: (317)222-3339

Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Indiana - School of Instruction

Dates: Friday 28 August - Saturday 29 August 2026

ROOM RATES \$132.00 Per Night

PLEASE APPLY 17% SALES TAX TO THE ABOVE RATES
Cutoff day: 5pm, Tuesday 28 July 2026

Name: (please print) _____
Phone # () _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Email Address: _____
Marriott Rewards# _____
For arrival on (day/date) _____
Departure on (day/date) _____
Name(s) of person(s) sharing accommodations: _____
Room Type Preference: One (1) King Bed
Two (2) Double Beds
Handicap Accessible
No preference

When requesting a reservation, please note your arrival and departure dates carefully. You understand that you are liable for one night's room and tax in the event you do not cancel by 6pm or arrive on the arrival date. This will be deducted from your deposit or billed through your credit card. If more than one room is requested, please enclose a list of names and addresses, indicating which guests share rooms.

Check or Money Order Enclosed for amount of _____
Credit Card Number _____ Expiration: _____ Code _____

Signature: _____

The Indianapolis Marriott East is pleased you have chosen us for your upcoming visit. Our staff looks forward to serving you in fine Marriott tradition.

Please Note: Hotel checkout time is 12:00 noon. Hotel check-in time is 4:00pm. RESERVATIONS REQUESTED AFTER THE CUT-OFF DATE ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY. ROOMS MAY STILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER THE CUT-OFF DATE; HOWEVER, THE GROUP RATE IS NOT GUARANTEED. PLEASE APPLY 17% SALES TAX TO THE ABOVE RATES.

THIS FORM MUST BE SENT TO THE HOTEL NOT THE HEADQUARTERS.



The Korea Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KCCI), in partnership with the Korea-U.S. Alliance Foundation (KUSAF) is making a concerted effort to connect transitioning and former United States Forces Korea Veterans with Korean companies operating in the United States. It intends to link Korean companies with disciplined, experienced, and highly motivated talent; expanding the value of the Korea-U.S. alliance into practical economic cooperation, serving as a meaningful bridge, offering real opportunities for both veterans and businesses alike.

- **Are you a Veteran?**
- **Have you been stationed in Korea?**
- **Are you an engineer or have construction experience?**
- **Interested in working in West Lafayette?**

- **Contact Gene Richards: (808)779-6484**



2026 Department of Indiana VFW



Jim Thiel Memorial

State Golf Outing

Shotgun Start

Both Days 9:00 am

Hosted By:

Lawton-Byrum VFW Post 972
1111 Veterans SQ
Terre Haute IN 47807

Host Course:

Rea Park Golf Course
3500 S 7th St
Terre Haute IN 47802

Friday, August 14th - Practice Round Available - \$31 Fee (cart included)

Practice Round Tee Times Available after 1200 call course to schedule.

Saturday, August 15th - Individual scores to determine Sunday's round.

Sunday, August 16th - A,B,C,D four person scramble, Best Ball Format.

Players are limited to the first 120 VFW and Auxiliary Members with current dues paid.

Entries must be received with payment no later than August 7, 2026

Cost is \$75 per person. To sponsor a hole will be \$100.

Entry Form: Make your own foursome or we will include you in a foursome

NAME	POST NUMBER	MEMBER NBR	POST	AUX

(Bring Membership Card and have ready at check in on first day).

Amount Enclosed

Mail Entries and Check payable to:

75 X _____ = \$

(# of Golfers)

VFW Post 972

ATTN: Quartermaster/ Golf

1111 Veterans SQ

Terre Haute, IN 47807

Hole Sponsor Fee \$ _____

(\$100 per Hole)

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Check Number

Hotels in Terre Haute near Rea Park Golf Course

Drury Inn

3040 S US 41 South Terre Haute, In 47802 \$144.00 Breakfast

Choice Hotels 501 E Margaret Ave Terre Haute Double Queen 139.99, King 125.00

All are suites and free breakfast. 812-308-6886

La Quinta 451 E Margaret Terre Haute all rms 144.00 free Breakfast 812-717-2108

Days Inn 101 E Margaret Ave Terre Haute 75.00 free Breakfast 812-232-8006

Super 8 3089 S 1st St Terre Haute Single \$78 – Double 98.00 Free Breakfast

There are other hotels in the area, but I only listed the ones with the best prices.

NEVER FORGET OUR FALLEN HEROES RIDE

Brian Clemens
Robert McKinley
Jarrod Black
Luke Frist
James Swain
Seth Kranz
Nathaniel Baughman
Nathan Frigo
Rickey Jones
Bradley King
Neil Simmons
Cody Putman
Shawn Hensel
Timothy McGovern
Trinton Hile
Kenneth McAninch
Travis Byrd
Jamie Jarboe
Bradley Atwell
Seth Soulsby
Joel Bowman
Humberto Sanchez
Russell Williams

July 11 2026

Ride starts at
Kokomo VFW 1152
920 N. Washington St
Sign in 9:30
Escorted ride at 10:30
Everyone welcome
Bike, car or truck
Ride is FREE
Tshirts 50/50 Auction

All Proceeds Given to Charities
Chosen by Our Gold Star Families

Contact info: Kim Markham (574) 297-8576
FB Page Never Forget Our Fallen Heroes Ride

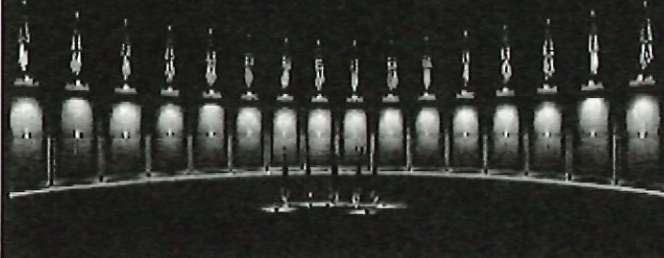
Please join us and the families of our fallen HEROES

NEVER FORGET OUR FALLEN

★★★ **JULY 10-12, 2026** ★★★



GoldStars Tribute Wall™
Gulf • Iraq • Afghanistan Wars
A Traveling Memorial



"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends..."
John 15:13

**Kokomo VFW POST
#1152**
(920 N Washington St.)

**AMERICAN
HUEY 369
INC.**
★★★



**MEMBERSHIP
LIVING HISTORY
FLIGHT EXPERIENCES**
★★★
\$125
WEATHER PERMITTING

- Brian Christian
- Robert McKinley
- Larry Black
- Luke Free
- James Smith
- Seth Kozak
- Nathan Dhanathan
- Nathan Frigo
- Ricky Jones
- Bradley King
- Ned Sarason
- Andy Purman
- Shawn Hensel
- Timothy McGovern
- Tristan Hill
- Kenneth McAninch
- Tyler Boyd
- James Jarboe
- Bradley Arnold
- Seth Southby
- Paul Bostman
- Humberto Sanchez
- Russell Williams

July 11, 2026

Ride starts at
Kokomo VFW
Washington St

Sign in 9:30
Escorted ride at 10:30
Everyone welcome
Bike, car or truck
Ride is FREE
Tshirts 50/50 Auction

Ed Page: Never Forget Our Fallen Heroes Ride
Please join us and the families of our fallen HEROES



**INDIANA
FALLEN HEROES**

★ **FRIDAY—JULY 10TH** ★

10:00 AM
Arrival of the GoldStars Tribute Wall
AMERICAN HUEY 369
MEMBERSHIP FLIGHTS
10 AM – 5 PM (subject to change)
2:00 PM
Arrival of the Indiana Fallen Heroes

★ **SATURDAY—JULY 11TH** ★

GoldStars Tribute Wall
Indiana Fallen Heroes
Never Forget Our
Fallen Heroes Ride
AMERICAN HUEY 369
MEMBERSHIP FLIGHTS
10 AM – 5 PM (subject to change)

★ **SUNDAY—JULY 12TH (AM ONLY)**

GoldStars Tribute Wall
Indiana Fallen Heroes
AMERICAN HUEY 369
MEMBERSHIP FLIGHTS
10 AM – 5 PM (subject to change)

★ **MORE TO SEE & DO INSIDE!** ★

- US WAR DOGS CHAPTER 3 DISPLAY
- VFW INFORMATION
- RIDE INFORMATION
- FOOD & DRINKS
- RESTROOMS

And more!

★ **VFW Post #1152 Contact: 765-452-1521** ★



PATRIOTIC CELEBRATION PARADE CONTEST

To encourage greater participation and foster community spirit among VFW members and auxiliary members, the parade will feature three fun and engaging judging categories:



Best Dressed Patriotic Group:

Recognizes groups whose members creatively dress in patriotic attire, costumes, or uniforms.



Best Scooter Decoration Contest:

Invites participants to decorate their scooters in a fun, patriotic manner, making this a lively and inclusive competition for all ages.



Legacy Pair Award (Veteran & Spouse/Partner):

Celebrates a veteran and spouse/partner who participate together and best represent VFW family spirit through a coordinated, patriotic presentation. These categories are designed to make the event enjoyable, inspire creativity, and engage more VFW members and auxiliary members in the celebration.

Judging Criteria (1-5 Scale)

Each entry will be scored on a 1-5 scale for the criteria listed below (1 = needs improvement, 3 = good, 5 = excellent.) Scores may be totaled to determine category winners.

Prize for each category winner!

Celebrate, compete, and sing crowd karaoke with Commander-in-Chief Carol Whitmore!



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SUMMER CAMPOUT 2026

WHERE: Lake Melissa Campground, Quincy Indiana

WHEN: August 21st - 23rd, 2026

FRIDAY NIGHT:

Campfire at the Shelter House

SATURDAY NIGHT:

Dinner Night 1700 (5:00 PM)

Bring a Covered Dish. Fried Chicken will be provided.

Evening Entertainment: A Team Karaoke

SUNDAY MORNING: 0830 (8:30 AM)

Pitch-in Breakfast with Biscuits and Gravy supplied.

Campers Association Meeting will follow breakfast

There will be a \$15 Registration Fee
(All attendees 16 or older. Includes a t-shirt)

**All visitors must stop to register at the office. The owners have asked all campers to PLEASE WATCH THEIR SPEED!!!

**Please call to Make or Confirm Reservations. Sites are LIMITED!!!
DEPOSIT REQUIRED!!!

Call: Jennifer Morris 812-236-4403



GRISSOM

AIR & SPACE EXPO



SCAN ME



Event
Facebook Page

SCAN ME



Corporate Sponsorship
Available

August 29-30, 2026
Grissom Air Reserve Base
FREE ADMISSION



Daughters of the American Revolution
Rushville Chapter

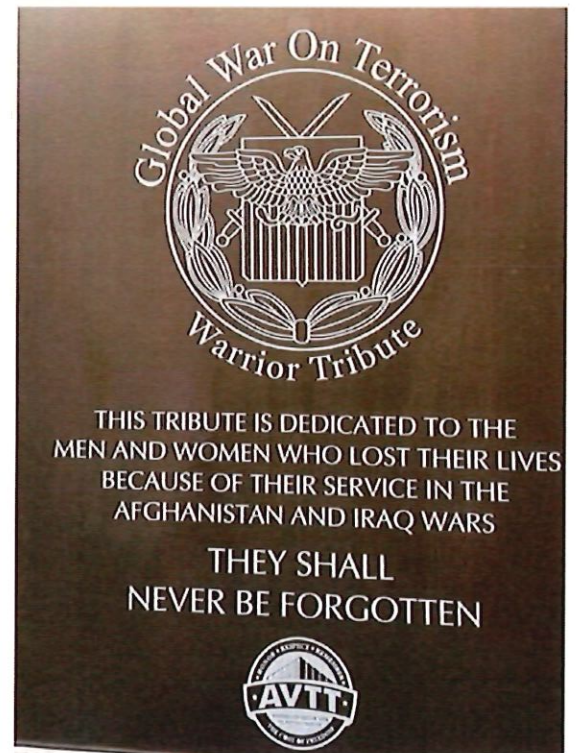
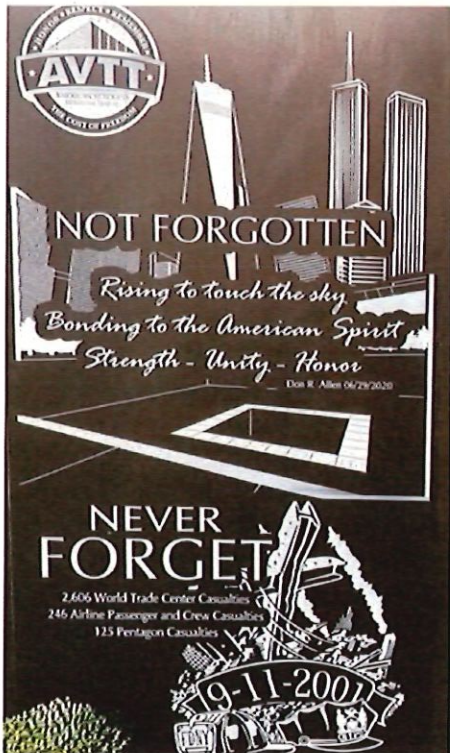
Legacy of Service
**Global War on Terrorism &
Cost of Freedom Tribute**

September 9-13, 2026

Rush Co. Fairgrounds

1299 Park Rd W. Rushville,

IN 46173



rushvillechapterdar@gmail.com

Patty Caudill

912-674-4721



Veterans of Foreign Wars



11th District Sponsored Bus Trip to the
VFW National Home in Eaton Rapids, Michigan

Leaving VFW 908 & VFW 7119

On Saturday September 19th, 2026

Price per person / \$150.00

(Includes Bus, Hotel and Breakfast)

Returning Sunday September 20th, 2026

Staying at Comfort Inn in Lansing, Michigan

Leave hotel for Indiana Day at 9:00 am

For information and Reservations contact

Diane Pettit / 317-440-9872 / dpettit@iuhealth.org

or

Russell "Gabby" Pryor / 317-937-5521

7th District National Home Bus Trip

19-20 September 2026



V F W
N A T I O N A L H O M E

Contact Keith Rohloff (keith.rohloff@outlook.com) to sign up. Bus leaves **Brazil VFW Post @ 1000 and Greenwood VFW Post @ 1200** Saturday September 19th, 2026. **Cost is \$170 per person/double occupancy** at Tru by Hilton in Jackson. **Deadline to sign up is August 20th** or sooner if bus is full (First 46 paid riders) State pick-up point with payment.

Mail your check to:

Keith Rohloff

100 Brinegar Drive

Springville IN 47462

National Home Bus Trip Itinerary

September 19-20, 2026

September 19, 2026

9:30 AM Bus Arrive Brazil VFW Post 1127 (Park on Depot St in front of VFW Post)
303 S Depot Street Brazil 47838

10:00 AM Leave Brazil VFW Post 1127

11:15 AM Arrive Greenwood VFW Post 5864 (Park behind building -VFW Post entrance)
1842 Veterans Way
Greenwood IN 46143
317-888-2488

12:00 PM Depart Greenwood VFW Post 5864

TBD Stop on way for smoke break (Will be determined by riders/bus driver)

4:30 PM Arrive Tru by Hilton
2401 Shirley Drive
Jackson Michigan 49202
517-867-5000

5:30 PM Group Dinner – TBD

September 20, 2026

9:00 AM Depart Hotel to go to
VFW National Home
3573 S Waverly Rd
Eaton Rapids MI 48827
800-424-8360

10:00 – 2:00 PM Tours/Lunch/Program (Driver invited to participate/Driver provided lunch)

2:00 PM Depart VFW National Home

TBD Stop on way for smoke break (Will be determined by riders/bus driver)

6:30 PM Arrived Greenwood VFW Post 5864

6:45 PM Depart Greenwood

8:00 PM Arrive Brazil VFW Post 1127



Department of Indiana VFW
State Campout
October 1-4, 2026
Caldwell Pioneer Acres
(The Pioneer Engineers Club of Indiana)
3707 S. 200 West
Rushville, Indiana 46173

Thursday is set up day. **Registration fees are \$10 per person** (Children 12 and under are free). No charge for camping (campsites).

All sites have electric. Water and Dump Station are available at the entrance of campsites. Trash Dumpster at camp entrance.

Fires must be in fire pit. No open fires.

Friday night Dinner is Ham and Beans @ 1700.

Chili Cook Off Contest Friday 1700 (Rules will Posted TBD)

Saturday morning pitch-in breakfast @ 0900.

Saturday Fried Chicken Pitch-in Dinner @ 1700.

We will have L/R/C, card games and corn hole. Quiet walks over to the Old Steam Engines and walking trails. A fire pit will be set up by the shelter house.

If you don't camp, you are invited to join us for the Saturday Pitch-in Dinner. Please RSVP to Keith Rohloff (405-535-7210)

keith.rohloff@outlook.com or Jennifer Morris (812-236-4403)

jenmorrisvfw@gmail.com to ensure enough food is purchased.

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Indiana Veterans and Veteran
Community Resource Fair**

NOVEMBER 5, 2026

**Indiana Government Center
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VFW NATIONAL HOME

Candidate for VFW National Home Trustee District 8

Diane Pettit



I have the same passion for the National Home as my husband had and it would be an honor and privilege to be considered a candidate for District 8 Trustee.

My late husband Alvis "Skip" and I enjoyed traveling up every chance we could. He wanted to retire up there and be house parents, unfortunately he did not get to retire before passing in 2015.

Besides being a VFW Legacy Life member, a Life member of the National Home and Life Member of the MOC, I am also a member of the VFW Auxiliary, VFW Riders, AMVETS and American Legion.

Military service –

US Army Dec. 18, 1986- Honorably discharged June 17, 1995
Served Sept. 1991- July 1992 in Saudi and Kuwait, First Gulf War
Various times in South Korea with some time also in Germany

VFW Offices

VFW Post 5626 Quartermaster 1992-current / VFW 11th District Chairs- District Commander 1996-97-98

District offices and Chairmanships:

District Quartermaster 2005-current. All State a few times

District Surgeon- Jr. Vice – Sr. Vice

Past District Commanders Club – Treasurer

(J)ROTC Chairman – Lots of years, Lost track.

District National Home Chairman

Lead the District bus trip up every year for the last 30-ish

District Ways and Means Chairmen

State Chairmanships:

State National Home Chairmen – Several different years, including now.

National Aide De Camp Several times

Military Order of the Cooties:

Trustee at the start, Now CCDB for the last 4 years All elections are held via

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Electronic ballots will be sent either by text or email to each registered National Home Life Member within District 8.

Life members can call the National Home at 1-866-483-9642 or go to the website <https://vfwnationalhome.org/contact/> and use the dropdown menu to send in their correct/updated information. If the National Home does not have a phone number that can accept text messages or a valid email address, you will not receive a ballot for voting.