



Southeast Alabama AMVETS

Post 7

P O Box 724 • Daleville AL 36322

Membership Newsletter • December 2024

Your elected and appointed post servants:

Kevin Turley, Commander

Travis Parker, 1st Vice Commander

Ben Jimmerson, 2nd Vice Commander

Richard Saunders, Finance Officer

Reverend John Logsdon, Adjunct & Chaplain

Upcoming Events:

- Friday, December 6, 2024 at 5:30 pm: Daleville Christmas Parade.
- Thursday, January 2, 2024 at 6 pm: Post meeting at the Southeast Community Training Center.

Please keep Brother Chris Carlile and Richard Saunders in your prayers as they recover with health battles.



From your Post Commander

The holiday season is upon us and, for many, this is a time of the year where many put on a fake smile and struggle internally. Whether they deal with the loss of loved ones, struggling financially, or whatever the internal demons may bring. Let us remember to check on one another and, if you are struggling, do not hesitate to reach out to your brothers and sisters.

With the new year approaching, let us set a goal to recruit more like minded, quality members for the post. There is strength in numbers. We can also have a greater impact with additional members.

If you're in the Daleville area this Friday (December 6th) at 5:30 pm, stop by and check out the Daleville Christmas parade. Brother Noah Thomas will be driving his vehicle with the AMVETS magnetic signs. Brother Richard Saunders will also be in the parade representing the Daleville Area Amateur Radio Service. I'll be there with Dale EMS and Rescue Squad. After the parade, stick around for the Christmas tree lighting in front of the Daleville High School. If you have kids, they can visit with Santa.

Have a blessed month, brothers and sisters.

Respectfully,

Kevin Turley



Reserved for words from your Post First Vice Commander, Second Vice
Commander, and Chaplain

Photos from recent events:



AMVETS RIDERS



There is interest in forming an AMVETS RIDERS chapter within the Southeast Alabama AMVETS Post 7. If you enjoy riding your motorcycle and have it in your heart to intertwine your passion for riding with service to the AMVETS mission, then let's put your minds and strengths together to forge this chapter.



Every member of the Southeast Alabama AMVETS Post 7 family is important and valued. We also know the importance of growing our family, as there is strength in numbers and it is important to seek various opinions, ideas, and solutions. Membership is open to ALL who are currently service or who have been honorably discharged from the United States Armed Forces to include reserve and national guard.

There is a national committee which has set aside funds to pay for the first year membership dues for female veterans. This will continue until their funds are exhausted. Please reach out to the post for more information.

The Southeast Alabama AMVETS Post 7
meets on the FIRST THURSDAY of each month at 6 pm
at the Southeast Community Training Center located at
195 U S Highway 84 West • Daleville, Alabama

For more information, text/call Kevin Turley at 334.379.8286.

AMVETS HISTORY

Our commitment to service traces its roots back to 1944 when veteran volunteers first began helping veterans of World War II obtain the benefits promised them by the federal government. As the number of returning veterans swelled into the millions, it was evident that some sort of nationally organized assistance for them would be needed. The older established national groups wouldn't do; the leaders of this new generation of veterans wanted their own organization.

With that in mind, eighteen of them, representing nine veterans clubs, met in Kansas City, Missouri and founded The American Veterans of World War II on Dec. 10, 1944. Less than three years later, on July 23, 1947, President Harry S. Truman signed Public Law 216, making AMVETS the first World War II organization to be chartered by Congress.

Since then, the original charter has been amended several times to admit as members those who served in different eras. Today, membership in AMVETS is open to anyone who is currently serving, or who has honorably served, in the U.S. Armed Forces from World War II to the present, to include the National Guard and Reserves.

As a volunteer-led organization, we annually elect and/or appoint officers at the national, district, department and post levels. Each August, representatives from these levels attend the AMVETS national convention to make decisions on issues affecting veterans and the organization.

The AMVETS organization has grown and evolved over the years to best serve each new generation of veterans and their families.

As the organization moves further into the 21st century, it does so with the conviction that its focus on preserving freedom, supporting America's defenders and serving her communities remains a clear blueprint for continued service to God and country.

Veterans helping veterans and their communities.

- **Visiting veterans in assisted living**
- **Providing assistance to veterans in need**
- **Honoring fallen veterans and their surviving family members**
- **Assisting veterans with obtaining the benefits they have rightfully earned**
- **Bringing awareness of veterans needs to our communities and our elected servants**

