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VVA South Carolina State Council



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UPCOMING EVENTS - 2026

State Council Meeting 11 October 2026, 11:00 PM. Meeting at the American Legion Post 130, 402 Naples Ave Cayce SC 29033.

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Checks, make it out to “South Carolina State Council and mail it to
SC State Council, 71 Summerset Court, Alken SC 29803.

Thank you for your Support.

USAA has established The National Military Monument in Washington, D.C.—a living digital tribute honoring every American who has worn the uniform of our nation. This monument recognizes service members from the Revolutionary War through the present day, preserving their names in a national display of gratitude. Through the link provided, you may enter the name of a Veteran, and their name will appear on the monument’s digital wall in Washington, D.C. This tribute will remain available through Veterans Day, offering families, friends, and fellow service members a meaningful way to honor those who served. Do it. Honor your Veteran. Share their names. Share their legacy. Ensure they stand among the heroes recognized in our nation’s capital. For easy access, you may also visit the South Carolina State Council website and click the link listed under “Links of Interest.” Take a moment to explore this tribute and celebrate the service of those who defended our freedom. Check it out.

<https://monument250.usaa360.com/tribute> (you need to enter the above link manually)



MESSAGE FROM THE SC STATE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

The Vietnam Veterans of America National Membership numbers are in for the month of July 2026 and as predicted, there is an increase in Vietnam Veterans joining Our Organization. As of June 2026, our numbers were 93,815 including Women Veterans. At the end of July 2026, we have 93,908 Members, which includes 1,518 Women Veterans. We gained 170 new Members and a reported 104 deceased Members. This report informs Us that as an organization, there are Vietnam Veterans amongst Us who either are not aware We exist or need to be ASKED to join Us. It is of the utmost importance that We as Members of the VVA continue to recruit and engage with Vietnam Veterans that we see in our everyday activities. How do we do that you ask?? It is an easy task to accomplish; Get Your Chapter to produce a business card that has all the information needed to inform potential VVA Members about Local Chapter Meetings, which include Organization Name; Meeting Location Address; Meeting Information; Point of Contact Phone #; and any other information you feel is relevant. (see attached card). Once your Chapter has established your business card, make sure every Member always has 3 or 4 cards in their possession!! When you are out and about, whether in Lowes, Home Depot, Walmart or your favorite restaurant; if you see a Veteran wearing a Veteran Ball Cap, especially Vietnam Veteran Cap, go up to him or her, welcome them home, ask if they are aware of the Vietnam Veterans Of America; if not explain who we are, ask them if they were in the Military from 1959 thru 1975, if so they are eligible to join Us. Remember “ALL” Vietnam Era Veterans are welcome. REMEMBER OUR MOTTO; “*NEVER AGAIN WILL ONE GENERATION OF VETERANS ABANDON ANOTHER*” If every one of “US” brings in one new Member each Month to Our Organization, we will continue to grow and expand Our Legacy and Influence on the Hill with CONGRESS (Senate and House). *IT IS UP TO “US” AS MEMBERS OF THE VVA TO DO OUR PART TO ENSURE WE REACH AS MANY VIETNAM VETERANS AS POSSIBLE TO CONTINUE OUR GROWTH AS AN ORGANIZATION!! I CHALLENGE EACH OF YOU TO DO YOUR PART AS A LOYAL MEMBER OF THE VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA!!!*

Larry L. Miller
President
SC State Council



VVA Chapter 1049
“Veterans Helping
Veterans”

2nd Saturday of Month
N. Spartanburg Baptist Church
8740 Asheville HWY
Spartanburg, SC 29316
8:30 AM Breakfast
Call 518-637-9756
All Vietnam Era
Vets Welcome
*Never Again Will One
Generation of Veterans
Abandon Another*



Chaplain's Corner



September 11th will mark the 25th anniversary of the attacks on the World Trade Center Twin Towers, the Pentagon and possibly the Capitol or White House. There were 2977 victims plus 441 emergency personnel who lost their lives that day. I am sure those people had no idea that their time on earth was coming to an end that day, but had they known they would have gotten their house in order.

Our time on this earth is uncertain, and I was reminded of this recently when I attended the funeral of a fellow comrade. We sometimes take life for granted that we have time to do this or that before it is too late. The Lord tells us in Matthew 24: 36-44, "No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father..... Therefore, keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into. So, you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him." Greetings comrades and sisters:

Your Chaplain,
Davey Hare

Happy 250th Birthday America



This July 4th 2026 marks a moment unlike any other in our history the 250th birthday of the United States of America. A quarter-millennium ago, a group of determined patriots declared that the people of this land would govern themselves, that liberty would be their birthright, and that the promise of a better future would belong to every generation willing to defend it.

Two hundred and fifty years later, that promise still stands.

This anniversary is more than a celebration of the past. It is a tribute to the millions of Americans who carried the nation forward — farmers and factory workers, teachers and first responders, service members and veterans, families who built communities, and leaders who shaped the course of history. It is a reminder that the strength of the United States has always come from its people.

From Lexington and Concord to the moon landing, from the struggles we endured to the triumphs we achieved, America's story is one of courage, innovation, sacrifice, and hope. We honor the generations who fought to preserve freedom, expand opportunity, and ensure that the ideals written in 1776 continue to guide us today. As we celebrate the Semi quincentennial, we look not only backward with gratitude but forward with purpose. The next chapter of America's story will be written by us — by our commitment to unity, our respect for one another, and our determination to keep the flame of liberty burning bright. Two hundred and fifty years ago, the world witnessed the birth of a nation founded on an idea. Today, we celebrate that idea still alive, still powerful, and still worth defending.

Happy 250th Birthday, America — may we continue to honor the past, strengthen the present, and inspire the future.

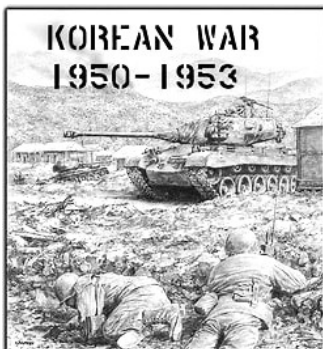


Purple Heart Day 7 August 2026



Purple Heart Day on August 7 commemorates the creation of the oldest American military decoration for military merit. The Purple Heart honors the men and women who are of the Military Order of the Purple Heart. During the American Revolutionary War, the Badge for Military Merit decorated six known soldiers. General George Washington created the Badge of Merit in 1782. Washington intended the honor to be presented to soldiers for "any singularly meritorious action." Its design included a purple, heart-shaped piece of silk bound with a thin edge of silver. Across the face, the word Merit was embroidered in silver. While the badge symbolized the courage and devotion of an American Patriot, no one knows who designed the award. Until Washington's 200th birthday, the Purple Heart persisted as a Revolutionary War footnote. Through the efforts of General Douglas MacArthur, the U.S. War Department created the Order of the Purple Heart. Today the medal bears a bust of George Washington and his coat of arms. While an accurate and complete list of names no longer exists, National Geographic recently estimated that nearly 1.9 million service members have earned Purple Hearts since its creation. It is the oldest U.S. military honor still bestowed upon service members today. Until 1944, the Purple Heart recognized service members' commendable actions as well. Then in 1944, the requirements limited the award to only those wounded or killed in combat. The Badge of Military Merit replaced the Fidelity Medallion. At the time, William Brown and Elijah Churchill received the first honors with the Badge of Military Merit during the Revolutionary War. Army General Douglas MacArthur received the first modern-day Purple Heart. The first woman receives a Purple Heart. Following her actions during the attack on Pearl Harbor, Army Lt. Annie G. Fox received the Purple Heart during World War II.

Korean War "the forgotten War"



The Korean War (25 June 1950 – 27 July 1953) was an armed conflict fought on the Korean Peninsula between North Korea (Democratic People's Republic of Korea; DPRK) and South Korea (Republic of Korea; ROK) and their allies.

North Korea was supported by China and the Soviet Union, while South Korea was supported by the United Nations led by the United States under the auspices of the United Nations Command (UNC). After the end of World War

II in 1945, Korea, which had been a Japanese colony for 35 years, was divided by the Soviet Union and the United States into two occupation zones at the 38th parallel, with plans for a future independent state. The zones

formed their own governments in 1948 due to political disagreements. North Korea was led by Kim Il Sung in Pyongyang, and South Korea by Syngman Rhee in Seoul; both claimed to be the sole legitimate government of all of Korea. Rhee's government suppressed socialist uprisings at Jeju and Yeosu-Suncheon, and both sides engaged in extensive border clashes. On 25 June 1950, North Korea's Korean People's Army (KPA) launched an invasion of the south. In the absence of the Soviet Union's representative, the UN Security Council denounced the attack and called on member nations to provide military assistance to repel the invasion. UN forces under the unified command comprised 21 countries, with the US providing around 90% of military personnel. On 27 June 1950 President Harry S. Truman ordered US air and sea forces to aid South Korea. Seoul was captured by the KPA on 28 June,



Korean War “the forgotten War Continued

and by early August, the Republic of Korea Army (ROKA) and its allies were nearly defeated, holding onto only the Pusan Perimeter in the peninsula's southeast. On 15 September, UN forces landed at Inchon near Seoul, cutting off KPA troops and supply lines. UN forces broke out from the perimeter on 18 September, recaptured Seoul, and invaded North Korea in October, capturing Pyongyang and advancing towards the Yalu River (border with China). On 19 October, the Chinese People's Volunteer Army (PVA) crossed the Yalu and entered the war on the side of the North. UN forces retreated from North Korea in December, following the PVA's first and second offensive. Communist forces captured Seoul again in January 1951 before losing it to a UN counter-offensive two months later. After an abortive Chinese spring offensive, UN forces retook territory up to the 38th parallel. Armistice negotiations began in July 1951 but dragged on as the fighting became a war of attrition and the North suffered devastating damage from UN bombing, destroying all North Korea's major cities. Combat ended on 27 July 1953 with the signing of the Korean Armistice Agreement, which allowed the exchange of prisoners and created a 4-kilometre wide (2.5 mile) Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) along the frontline, with a Joint Security Area at Panmunjom.

The industrial warfare was defined by armored offensives, with the North's initial invasion and later by UN forces, tunnel warfare by Chinese forces, and the first large jet aircraft battles. The conflict caused around one million military deaths and an estimated 1.5 million to 3 million civilian deaths. Alleged war crimes include the mass killing of alleged communists by South Korea, the Seoul National University Hospital massacre by North Korea, and the carpet bombing of North Korea by the UNC. North Korea became one of the most heavily bombed countries in history. No peace treaty has been signed; the Korean conflict remains a frozen conflict, which has occasionally flared, such as in the 1966–1969 DMZ Conflict.

Happy 236th Birthday Coast Guard



The United States Coast Guard traces its origins to August 4, 1790, when Congress, at the request of Alexander Hamilton, authorized the construction of ten revenue cutters to enforce tariff and trade laws, prevent smuggling, and protect federal revenue United States Coast Guard+2. This marked the creation of the Revenue Cutter Service, the earliest predecessor of the modern Coast Guard. On January 28, 1915, the Revenue Cutter Service merged with the U.S. Life-Saving Service,

forming the Coast Guard as it exists today. The U.S. Coast Guard celebrates its birthday every August 4, commemorating its founding in 1790. The United States Coast Guard traces its origins to August 4, 1790, when Congress, at the request of Alexander Hamilton, authorized the construction of ten revenue cutters to enforce tariff and trade laws, prevent smuggling, and protect federal revenue . This marked the creation of the Revenue Cutter Service, the earliest predecessor of the modern Coast Guard. On January 28, 1915, the Revenue Cutter Service merged with the U.S. Life-Saving Service, forming the Coast Guard as it exists today. The Coast Guard has played a critical role in both wartime and peacetime operations. During World War II, its personnel participated in combat and rescue missions, solidifying its status as a military service and a vital instrument of national security United States Coast Guard. Beyond defense, the Coast Guard has long been responsible for humanitarian missions, including search and rescue, maritime law enforcement, and environmental protection. Today, the Coast Guard operates under the Department of Homeland Security during peacetime and can be transferred to the Department of the Navy during wartime. Its missions include border security, maritime law enforcement, environmental protection, and safeguarding U.S. economic interests in domestic and international waters. The service is recognized for its multi-mission capabilities, combining military, regulatory, and humanitarian functions.



WA Chapter 828



The Vietnam Veterans of America, Salkehatchie Chapter 828 of Barnwell has been granted a loan artifact by The US Naval History and Heritage Command (NHHHC) at The Washington, DC Naval Yard, a 3" (50) Caliber Anti-aircraft gun to be placed at our Veterans Memorial Park in Barnwell, SC. After completing and submitting the required documentation, and with a couple of US Navy Blue Angel patriots helping, our Chapter was approved this morning to move forward with the project and move the artifact to Barnwell. I will note that being a Chapter of the VVA State of SC, and

numerous National VVA documentation, was most definitely a huge plus. Without supporting VVA National documentation, we would still be gathering the required documents for NHHHC approval. The U.S. Navy artifact is currently located in Greenville, SC. It weighs approximately 3.5 tons and is located at the former U.S. Navy/Marine Reserve Command Center in Greenville.

Visit the SC State Council website, vvasc.org, to watch the video.

WA Chapter 925



On 9 August 2026 "A Salute to Veterans" was held at the Myrtle Beach Convention Center. This event features a keynote address from retired Navy SEAL Jason Redman, who is known for sharing his experiences in leadership, resilience, and overcoming adversity. VVA Chapter 925 honored Guard to participate in presenting the colors during the opening ceremony.

WA Chapter 523



On August 7, 2026, donation of \$500 by Chapter 523 Greenville to Paul Howell Director of upstate SC honor flight for Sept 16, honor flight.

WA Chapter 523 & 1049



Chapter 1049 President Larry Miller donation \$500 to Paul Howell Director of Upstate SC Honor Flight at the Vietnam Veteran Memorial at Cleveland Park, Greenville, SC. Brent Cobb Director of Veteran Services Spartanburg, SC; Hope Summers AVVA SC Representative; Katie Ferreira Honor Flight Representative; Paul Howell Director of upstate SC honor flight; Ed Brescia Secretary Chapter 523 Greenville; Alan Dabney Director of Veteran Services Greenville; Mike Owensby Treasurer Chapter 1049 Spartanburg; in front Larry Miller President Chapter 1049 Spartanburg (August 7 at Vietnam Veterans Memorial Cleveland Park Greenville, SC).



A congratulations goes out to James (Gunny) Gregory, VVA chapter 780 for receiving the AVVA 2026 Fellowship Award for his involvement with the "Run for the Wall" and what it has accomplished. The award was presented to Gunny during the AVVA luncheon at VVA National Leadership & Education Conference. Magnificent work Gunny!



VVA National Leadership & Education Conference August 11th, 15th, 2026

The Vietnam Veterans of America held its National Leadership & Education Conference from August 11 through 15, 2026, at the Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Riverfront in Jacksonville, Florida. Throughout the week, the VVA conducted workshops on a wide range of topics. Among these, several sessions directly addressed issues that will shape the future of the Vietnam Veterans of America. One of the most significant was the Mission 75 Presentation.

Mission 75 Presentation Summary:

Overview by VVA's National President Tom Burke. During the April Board of Directors meeting, National VVA President Tom Burke delivered an opening presentation on Mission 75, also referred to by some as the Veterans Victory Alliance. He explained the concept to both the Conference of State Council Presidents and the Board, emphasizing what this initiative represents for the future of the Vietnam Veterans of America.

President Burke reaffirmed that the VVA will continue to exist. Mission 75 is not a replacement for the organization but a new division within the VVA, designed to strengthen its long-term viability.

Historical Context: March 1, 2028, President Tom Burke referenced this date as a planning milestone established during a previous National Convention. That date symbolized two paths for the VVA:

- Develop a long-term solution to continue operating as a national veteran's organization, or
- Prepare for a "last man standing" scenario and eventually close its doors.

Mission 75 expands VVA membership by welcoming veterans who served after 1975, including Iraq, Afghanistan, and Gulf War veterans—many of whom already rely on VVA service officers for VA claims assistance. These veterans currently lack a national organization representing them in Washington, D.C., and the VVA has been effectively supporting their claims for years.

The guiding principle of Mission 75 remains unchanged:

"NEVER AGAIN WILL ONE GENERATION OF VETERANS ABANDON ANOTHER."

Concerns Raised by Chapter Presidents, they felt the wording was unclear and did not fully convey the intent behind Mission 75. This feedback highlighted the need for:

- Clearer and more precise language
- Broader input from leadership and membership
- A more comprehensive long-term strategy

There was also discussion about whether the AVVA could assume responsibility for the VVA in the future. AVVA cannot inherit or transfer the Congressional Charter which was established by Congress. Mission 75 operating under the VVA's umbrella is the only lawful and practical continuity path.

Mission 75 will be formally presented and voted on by delegates at the 2027 National Convention. Leadership is committed to ensuring delegates clearly understand:

- What Mission 75 is
- What it is not
- How it affects the VVA's future

The goal is a well-informed, transparent, and decisive vote, avoiding the confusion experienced at the last convention.



VVA National Leadership & Education Conference Continued

SIX CHOICES FOR VVA FUTURE

The Joint Committee, composed of distinguished members of both the Vietnam Veterans of America and the Associates of the Vietnam Veterans of America, was entrusted with examining six pathways that will shape the future of our organization. Their work reflects our enduring commitment to honor the legacy of Vietnam Veterans while preparing responsibly for the generations that follow.

These six options—ranging from consolidation to constitutional reform, and from expansion to dissolution—represent the full spectrum of possibilities before us. Each option carries its own solemn responsibilities, its own opportunities, and its own challenges. As we approach the 2027 National Convention, delegates will be called upon to weigh these matters with care, respect, and fidelity to the mission that has guided us for more than four decades.

The Committee will present outlines of the steps required to enact each option, along with the associated advantages, disadvantages, and the critical questions that must be considered.

The six options are identified as follows:

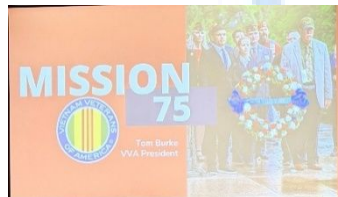
1. Consolidate brings the VVA and AVVA together as they were in the beginning
2. Merge the VVA and AVVA together as they were in the beginning
3. Dissolution, voluntarily dissolves and distributes the net remaining assets of the VVA to nonprofit tax-exempt corporation of like kind.
4. Amends the VVA Constitution to allow AVVA members and others to join the VVA.
5. Amends the VVA Constitution to allow other veterans to join the VVA.
6. Judicial dissolution involuntarily dissolves the VVA and the net remaining assets and distributed by the Attorney General and/or courts of New York.

The board took no action on the plan presented to them at the VVA National Leadership & Education Conference. If the Board continues to take no action on any option, the change of control will be conducted judicially by the State of New York as proposed in Option 6.

For additional information on the above go to the SC State Council Website vvasc.org under Leadership Conference for more Detail.



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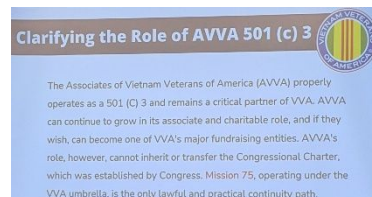
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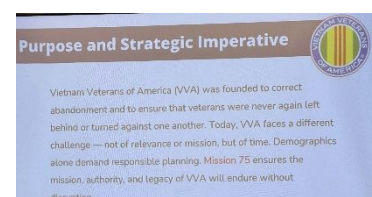
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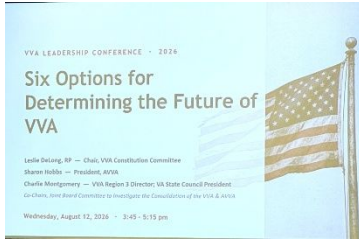


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The VVA National Leadership & Education Conference was held in Jacksonville FL. From August 11th through 15th 2026. During this time there were many workshops that the VVA members attended. They ranged from Mission 75 to Sustaining Veterans Advocacy. Our days were filled. The above pictures are just some of the workshops the SC State Council attended. Pictures from left to right: #1 Hyatt Regency, #2 Power Point presentation Mission 75, #3 VVA Nation President Tom Burke giving an overview of Mission 75, #4 Florida VVA State Council President Mac Goodell welcoming everyone. #5 James (Gunny) Gregory with questions concerning Mission 75, #6 VVA members at the Mission 75 workshop Afghanistan Veteran speaker from DPAA about joining the VVA,



VVA National Leadership & Education Conference

Pictures # Continued

#7&8 Power point presentation on Mission 75, #9 PP for 6 choices for VVA's Future, #10 & 11 Workshop for the 6 Choices Workshop, #12 & 13 David Eisenhower Chapter 303 President, SC State President Larry Miller & 1st VP SC State Council Charlie Davies at 6 choices workshop, #14 Steve Williams Chairperson speaking about VVA Legacy Task force-Road ahead, #15 David Eisenhower Chapter 303 President, SC State President Larry Miller & James (Gunny) Gregory & 1st VP SC State Council Charlie Davies at VVA Legacy Task force-Road ahead, #16 & 17 Friday Night Event- Music by the "The Bushman" Our Server at this event was Nicole- from left to right 1st VP Charlie Davies (VVA Chapter 925), James (Gunny) Gregory VVA Chapter 780), SC State President Larry Miller (VVA Chapter 1049 President) VVA Member name unknow, David Eisenhower Chapter 303 President & Louise Eisenhower , Gerry Davies, Sheila Miller, Patty Gregory, #18 & 19 James (Gunny) Gregory got all the Marines that attended the Friday night event and sang the MARINE CORPS HYMN before the start of the event. We made a big hit! #21 thru 23 - On Thursday was had the afternoon off from the workshops Steve Williams Director At Large, SC State President Larry Miller & 1st VP Charlie Davies decided to take a tour on the USS Orleck (DD-886) which was dock near the hotel. The USS Orleck (DD-886) is a Gearing-class destroyer that served in the US Navy from 1945 to 1982. Name after Lt. Joseph Orleck, who was posthumously awarded the Navy Cross for his action during WWII, the ship has a rich history the spans multiple conflicts and eras. #20 is the three of us on the dock with the Orleck behind us, #22 SC State Council President next to several torpedoes. #23 SC State President Larry Miller and VVA Director At Large Steve Miller manning the radar and sensors in ICU. It was quite an interesting tour and we had fun. #24 After a long day of workshops we all got together and had a relaxing time in one of the lounges within the hotel. The wives got together left to right Helen Williams, Patty Gregory, Sheila Miller & Gerry Davies.

NOTE THE BELOW IS JUST AN ONION ON WHAT MAY HAPPEN IF SOMETHING IS NOT ANSWERED WITH THE FUTURE OF THE VVA. IN ABOVE THERE IS A SECTION NAMED "SIX CHOICES FOR THE VVA" THEY HAVE NOW UNTIL AUGUST 2027 TO COME UP WITH A SOLUTION ON THE FUTURE OF THE VVA. PRESENTLY THESE SIX CHOICES ARE STILL IN A DRAFT FORM ONLY.

After attending these workshops there are a lot of questions concerning the future of the VVA. Mission 75 may be the best was to continue our founding principle "Never Again Will One Generation of Veterans Another"

The VVA Congressional Charter is held in the State of New York. Under New York nonprofit law, if an organization can no longer fulfill its purpose — or if it fails to adopt a viable path forward — the state has the authority to dissolve the corporation involuntarily. If Mission 75 is rejected at the 2027 National Convention, the VVA would have:

- No succession plan
- No legal pathway to continue operations
- No mechanism to expand membership
- No ability to maintain national relevance
- No compliant structure to justify continued existence under New York law

In that scenario, New York would dissolve the VVA, and:

The New York Attorney General and/or the courts would distribute all remaining assets. In plain terms: the doors close. The vote in 2027 is not simply about organizational preference. It is about survival.

Delegates must clearly understand:

- A "No" vote is not a vote to "wait and see."
- A "No" vote is not a vote to "try something else later."
- A "No" vote is a vote to end the VVA under New York law.

A "Yes" vote keeps the VVA alive, relevant, and legally compliant.

This is why clarity, education, and communication are essential between now and the convention.

This is my OPINION ONLY as editor — offered with respect for our history, our mission, and the generations who will follow us.

Charles Davies, Editor



Any Chapter who would like their departed members or Sick Call listed in the Newsletter, please send the information to me tazzcd@aol.com. Thank You, Charlie Davies,

Every month we are putting out Birthday wishes to all VVA and AVVA members in South Carolina.



Happy Birthday” to all of you with birthdays during the months of July - August



The Veterans Crisis Line connects Veterans in crisis and their families and friends with qualified, caring Department of Veterans Affairs responders through a confidential -free hotline, online chat, or text. Veterans and their loved ones can call 988 then and Press 1, chat online, or send a text message to 838255 to receive confidential support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days a year. Support for deaf and hard of hearing individuals are available.



Call or text the Women Veterans Call Center at 1-855-VA-WOMEN ([1-855-829-6636](tel:1-855-829-6636)) or use [the online chat feature](#). Women Veterans Call Center representatives are available Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. ET, and Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. ET, excluding federal holidays. If you contact the Women Veterans Call Center after hours and leave a message, you will receive a return call the next day the call center is open.

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Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc

Application for Membership

Welcome to all Veterans who served during the Vietnam Era

Membership is open to U.S. armed forces veterans who served on active duty (for other than training purposes) in the Republic of Vietnam between *February 28, 1961, and May 7, 1975*, or in any duty location between *August 5, 1964, and May 7, 1975*.

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Mailing Address: _____

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(OPTIONAL) Chapter Number: _____ Sponsor: _____

VVA has only one category of membership:

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Life Membership: \$50

ATTENTION New members:

You must submit a copy of your DD- 214 form along with this application and dues payment.

Payment Method: Check Money Order Credit Card (Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover)

Credit Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Signature: _____

Return the required documents and payment to:

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Add Local Chapter information here



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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
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NEW MEMBER:

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Name: _____ Phone: _____
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Membership #, if known: _____ State/Chapter: _____ At-Large? ☐
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Mailing Address: _____

DUES

☐ Annual Membership \$20 ☐ Life Membership Full payment \$100
☐ Life Member Time Payment Option : \$25 down / \$25 monthly until paid in full

VVA Dual Membership:

☐ Life Membership: \$50

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