

November 2, 2017

TO: DIRECTOR L. T. WHITMORE, ELECTIONS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN
5625 CANTERBURY LANE SUFFOLK, VIRGINIA 23425-1605

My name is Lewis Vaughn and I am a candidate for President of the National KWVA 2018-20. **PLEASE VOTE!**

As a life member of KWVA (LR44320), my dues will be current throughout my term in office. Copies of DD-214's, KWVA application form, and photo are attached. I authorize the release of all documents for verification by the Election Committee. I understand that I must attend all regular and called meetings of the Board and that two unexcused absences may be cause for removal from office.

PERSONAL HISTORY: I was born and reared in SC. I attended public schools but dropped out after my sophomore year of H. S. and enlisted in the Army at sixteen years of age in July 1950. I earned my GED while posted at Fort Campbell, KY. I completed studies in Accounting at Draughan's Business College in 1958.

MILITARY HISTORY: Upon completion of basic and advanced tank gunnery training at Ft. Knox, I was promoted to PFC, assigned as cadre training recruits. In 1951 I was promoted to Cpl. and transferred to Fort Campbell, KY to help fill the ranks of the 141ST Tank Battalion. Soon thereafter I was promoted to Sgt. and became a Tank Commander. Part of my duties was to help train our unit to get them combat ready. We spent weeks firing weapons on the new M-46 tanks that were equipped with new range-finding technologies. In May 1952, we shipped out thinking we were on the way to Korea, only to be diverted to Europe. I was honorably discharged in July 1953 and reenlisted in Oct. 1953. I was promoted to SFC and assigned to Korea in Jan. 1954. My first position was as a Platoon Sergeant, responsible for five tanks, each with a five man crew. The last few months I was the Acting First Sergeant of my tank company. I rotated back to the states in Aug. 1955, posted at Ft. Benning, GA, and was a Platoon Sergeant of a Light M24 Tank Reconnaissance Platoon. I was honorably discharged the second time in October 1956.

PRIVATE INDUSTRY: I was employed by two major corporations during my 30+ year business career. I attained middle-level management with most of the time spent as a project/department manager responsible for developing business systems that ran on large main frame computers. At the time of my retirement in 1985, I was the Department Manager of Wear-Dated Carpet Information Systems for Monsanto Corp.

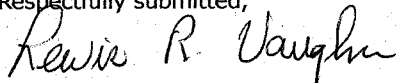
PUBLIC LIFE: After retiring, I relocated to South Carolina and ran for a House Seat in the General Assembly. I served twenty years in the SC House and Senate. I served on numerous committees, including Military Affairs, helping veterans in many ways. I did not seek reelection in 2008. Governor Haley appointed me to the SC Commission on Higher Education in 2010 and the Greenville Health System Board of Trustees in 2014.

AMONG MY MANY AWARDS ARE: 1) Clemson University's Public Service Association "OUTSTANDING LEGISLATOR AWARD 1999, 2) Greer, SC Sertoma Club's "SERVICE TO MANKIND AWARD" 2010, 3) The "SOUTH CAROLINA ORDER OF THE PALMETTO", the highest honor awarded by the state of SC - 2006, and 4) The "QUILT OF VALOR" awarded in September 2017 by the UPSTATE (SC) QUILTS OF VALOR FOUNDATION.

KWVA: I am presently KWVA's National Legislative Director and with others worked to get Congress to enact legislation to allow a Korean War WALL OF REMEMBRANCE in D.C. I also serve as Vice-Chair of the Bylaws Committee and have a 100% attendance record. I Chair the Foothills Chapter #301 WALL OF REMEMBRANCE Fundraising Committee. We have raised \$58K of SC's goal of \$200K. I was also Chair of a committee that got legislation enacted in SC to establish a "VETERANS CORRIDOR OF HONOR" on I-385 in Greenville, SC.

Should the KWVA membership award me the honor of serving them as their president for the 2018 - 20 term, I will continue to be an active member of the KWVA team and, I believe an asset to the organization. My contact information is below. I encourage the members to contact me if they have questions, or if I can be of service to them in any way.

Respectfully submitted,



Lewis R. Vaughn, 623 Ashley Commons Ct., Greer, SC 29651
Home 864-848-0368/Cell 864-593-5754 E-MAIL lvaughn1146@gmail.com or lvaughn1146@icloud.com.