

ALL MEMBERS

Please complete and return the ballot in the January/February issue of *The Graybeards* as soon as you receive it. It is one of the few things that KWVA members are asked to do.

You deserve to have some say in the election. That can only happen if you submit a ballot. Your vote will help the Executive Board function with good members.

If you have any questions at all, contact me by phone or email. I will return your calls ASAP.

Read the ballot carefully--and vote. The completed ballot must arrive in Tucson, AZ by 10 May, 2014.

George Bruzgis, Director
Chairman: Elections Committee
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BALLOT ENCLOSED IN THIS ISSUE
VOTE ★ VOTE ★ VOTE ★ VOTE

CANDIDATES FOR DIRECTORS

- Larry Kinard
- Warren Wiedhahn
- James Fountain
- J.D. Randolph

- Roy E. Aldridge
- Richard Brown
- Albert H. McCarthy
- Thomas M. McHugh
- L.T. Whitmore

PRESIDENT



LARRY KINARD

This letter serves as notice of my intent to run for re-election to the office of President of the Korean War Veterans Association. I served as 2nd Vice President from 2010 to 2012 and was elected 1st Vice President in 2012 and have served as President since May, 2013 after the resignation of the former President. With the help of the Officers and Board I hope to continue with the strong momentum established during the 60th Commemorative year in 2013

and move forward with some meaningful changes. I will attend every called meeting of the Board of Directors and understand that two unexcused absences could be used for my removal from office. I am a Life Member so my dues are paid up through my term of office and I have attached a signed official application form and my DD-214 as requested.

In 1949, I graduated Texas A&M University with a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering and a 2nd Lt. Commission in the U S Army Artillery Reserve. After graduation I began working as an Engineer in a Power Generating Station in far west Texas and was assigned to the Army Reserve unit close to where I was living. This Reserve Unit was activated In September, 1950 and all members of the unit were sent to the 5th Armored Division at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas training replacement

troops for Korea. During 1950-51 I spent time in Ft. Sill, Oklahoma and Camp Chaffee training both Infantry and Artillery replacement troops that were sent to Korea. In early 1952 I was ordered to Korea where I served with the 39th FA Battalion, 15th Regiment of the 3rd ID. Most of my time was spent as an Artillery Forward Observer with the 1st ROK Division and I Company of the 15th Regiment in the line along the Imjin River.

When I returned to the States in the latter part of 1952 I went back to my job as an Engineer with the Electric Utility Company and remained in the Army Reserves until 1960 when I received an Honorable Discharge as a 1st Lt. I continued with this same Utility Company until my retirement in 1993. During my career I managed power stations, Director of the Human Relations Department and Director of Transmission and Power Plant Control. During my last job I was Chairman of a National Committee that helped develop operating policies for all the utility companies in the United States and Canada. From 1993 until 2000 I worked as an Engineering Consultant for an Independent Power Producer assisting them in providing power to customers across the US. Since then I have spent most of my time in volunteer work at my church, Meals on Wheels and as a Master Mediator with Tarrant County.

I have been a member of the National KWVA since 1995 and in 2000 served as one of the founding members of the Walton Walker Chapter 215 in the Arlington/Ft Worth area. It has been my honor and privilege to serve the chapter as 1st VP, Tell America Chairman and 3 years as President.

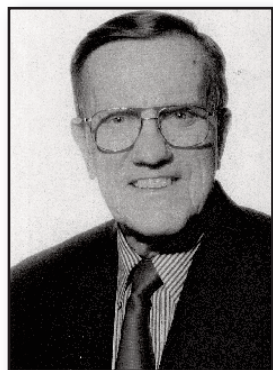
Prior to my becoming President in May of this year I had served as National Tell America Chairman for six years. I am very proud of what

chapters in the KWVA are doing with schools and the public in general in helping them to understand that we saved a country and its people from Communism sixty years ago. I still have a very strong interest in this program and hope we can increase the number of chapters involved in Tell America.

It will be an honor to continue as President of the KWVA if I am elected. I hope to continue with the initiatives that have already begun such as strong recruiting, centralizing the financial and accounting requirements and promoting methods that will help to assure the future of the organization and perpetuate the legacy of the Korean War. It is my goal as President to represent the KWVA in all areas of the position that will enhance and maintain the respect and integrity of the organization.

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1ST VICE PRESIDENT



WARREN H. WIEDHAHN

I am proud to announce my candidacy for the 1st Vice President of KWVA.

I first entered the Marine Corps in 1948 after graduating from High School. After two years in Tsingtao, China, I returned to CONUS to await separation, and then on to college. This dream exploded in June 1950 when the Korean War broke out. I served in Korea from August to December 1950 in the Pusan Perimeter, Inchon Landing and

the Chosin Reservoir. For the next thirty years, I served in various posts and stations around the world and retired honorably in 1982. In 1968 I was sent to another war in Vietnam and served there in combat until 1969.

I am a Life Member of KWVA and the President of Northern Virginia Chapter #100. I previously served on the KWVA Board of Directors. I have been appointed as the KWVA National Liaison and Revisit Korea Coordinator. I consider the next four years to be those of "Transitioning" from the Korean War Veterans to the Korean Defense Veterans and would like to be a part of this process. We have a vast wealth of experience with those who have served in Korea in peace time. I feel very strongly that they will carry the Legacy well into the future for the veterans who fought, died, were wounded, or were taken prisoner, during the Korean War.

I hereby certify that I will attend all called meeting of the Board of Directors and that I understand that two (2) unexcused absences could be used for my removal from office. A copy of my DD-214 is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Website: www.KWVA.org

2ND VICE PRESIDENT



JAMES FOUNTAIN

This letter is to announce my intent to run for the 2nd VICE President of the KWVA.

Attached is an official application to be used for verification of service

I served with the 2nd Inf Div, 23rd Inf reg, "K" co while in Korea

I was awarded the Combat Infantrymans Badge, along with the other basic medals for that time.

I have served 7 years as a National Director, elected to two 3 year terms and was appointed to fill out the term of Gen. Edwards who resigned due to ill health.

Graduate of Leadership School—Camp Roberts, Ca Graduate of 2nd Div NCO Academy – Korea

Graduate of CBR (Chemical-Biological-Radiological) school – Gifu, Japan

I have served on many committees and currently the Resolutions committee and the Tell America Program.

I have had the pleasure of working with 4 National Presidents.

I will attend all called meetings as I have in the past, knowing that 2 unexcused absences will be grounds for removal from office.

I retired in 1995 as the Owner and CEO of a contract carrier trucking co.

I am a life member, so my dues are current.

I am the 1st Vice commander of Chapter 4 (cid) 96

I am also Vice Commander of the St. Louis County Coalition. A group of VSO's who work together for the betterment of the community.

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J.D. RANDOLPH



In accordance with the Korean War Veterans Association Bylaws, I am pleased to submit my name as a candidate for the position of National 2nd Vice President.

Military Experience:

US Army Light Weapons Infantryman 1951 to 1958 served in USA, Korea, and Germany 1951-1958. US Army Signal Corp USA, Korea, France (NATO), South Vietnam.

Retired US Army Master Sergeant (E-8) after over 20 years of Service.

Medals Authorized:

Combat Infantry Badge, Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart Medal, The

Meritorious Service Medal and The Army Commendation Medal w/ First Oak Custer, Good Conduct Medal w/c1asp silver w/1 loop, Army of Occupation Medal w/ Germany Clasp, National Defense Service Medal w/1 star, Korean Service Medal w/3 stars, Armed Forces Expedition Medal, Korean Defense Medal, Vietnam Service Medal w/3 stars, United Nations Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Ribbon w. Device (1960),

Civilian Life:

Worked for another 30 years using the training received in the military in the Microwave, and Fiber-optic telecommunications. Worked as an engineer, manager and President of Telecommunication companies.

KWVA:

I am a Life Time Member LR 30988 in good standing.

KWVA National Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service (VAVS) Representative, member of the VAVS National Advisory Committee (NAC).

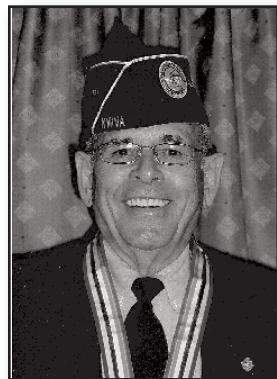
President of the KWVA Sam Johnson Chapter 270 with 130 members and 46 of them volunteer at the North Texas Health Care System.

KWVA Member VA North Texas Health Care System Veterans Advisory Council.

I will attend all called meetings and that I understand that two (2) unexcused absences could be used for my removal from office.

J.D. Randolph, 1523 Pine Bluff Dr., Allen, Texas 75002-1870, 972-359-2936, Randy9683@sbcglobal.net

DIRECTORS



ROY E. ALDRIDGE

This letter serves as my notice of intent to run for office of Director of the Korean War Veterans Association, Inc.

I feel I am qualified for this office for the following reasons:

I am a Life Member of the Korean War Veterans Association, Inc.

I am the current President of Col Joseph C. Rodriguez (MoH) Chapter 249, El Paso, Texas.

I was elected National Second Vice President and became First Vice President when Larry Kinard moved up to fill to vacant Presidency.

Past President of the Department of Texas

Charter First Vice President of the Department of Texas (DOT)

Charter First Vice President of General Walton Walker Chapter 215, Dallas Member of the State of Texas Veterans Commission, Austin, Texas Member Veterans Administration Executive Council, El Paso, Texas

I am a strong advocate for our local veterans and their issues and am associated with the local Korean American Association.

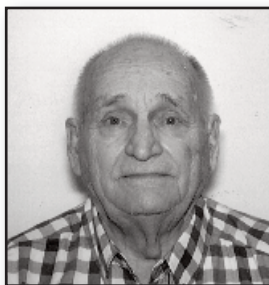
As President of the DOT, I worked with members in San Antonio to

reactive their local Chapter.

I have had the honor of addressing several Fort Bliss Units and local schools relating my experiences in Korea.

My current mailing address is 6544 Grand Ridge Drive; El Paso, TX 79912. My phone number is 915.581.4725. My KWVA membership number is LR26838. Email: royaldridge@sbcglobal.net

I certify that my dues will be current through the whole of the term I am seeking as I am a Life Member. I further certify that I will attend all called meetings of the Board of Directors and that I understand that two (2) unexcused absences could be used for removal from office.



RICHARD E. BROWN, SR.

My name is Richard E. Brown, Sr. I am a Life Member of the KWVA. My membership number is LR36975 I am currently serving you as a Director. Since this an Election Period, I am running for Director for the 20014 period. Since I am a life member my dues are covered for the period 2014 - 2017.

During the periods I have been a

Director I have always voted all items in support of the general membership. If reelected, I will continue to ensure that each time I vote will be in your favor. I also understand that if I miss 3 unexcused meetings, I will be removed from Office. Since I have been a member, I have never missed any meetings as a general member and as a member of the E&G Committee and a Director. I have a 100% attendance record. I reside at 2307 Gring Drive, West Lawn, PA 19609 Tel:6106702886, rebpi1@comcast.net

I am a Life Member of the following Veterans Associations, KWVA, AFA (Air Force Association), Vietnam Veterans Association and the VFW. I am a member of the Air Force Security Police Association, and the American Legion, I also belong to the USMC Heritage Foundation. I am a Founding Member of the Korean Museum soon to be located in New York City. And I have contributed donations to all military groups including the Army and Navy. As a member of the American Legion, I was the Post Senior Vise Commander and the Department of Hawaii Dept. Vise Commander for Okinawa.

I was Assigned TO k 47, Chun Chon Air Force Base from July 1952 - July 1953. I was a Staff Sgt E-5 as Flight Chief for the Air Force Police for the 6147th Tactical Control Group. I was also assigned to brief the combat Pilots and USA observers on the Geneva Convention. I served for 21 years total active duty with the USAF and I retired as MSgt E7.

One of the best if not the best assignment of my time in the USAF was that I was picked to stand the Death Watch for Gen MacArthur in New York City. The second best was when I was assigned to the Armed Forces Police in NYC. I was in charge of the Special Ceremonial Section. I wrote the Parade Orders for Ticker Tape Parades. When I left that assignment, I was presented with a miniature Key to the City.

Inclosed please find the last DO 214 for my retirement. Also is a copy of a completed membership application for approval by the Election Committee. I authorize them to publish this in the *Graybeards*

I ask you once again for your vote to return me to the Board as a Director. Thanks for your continued support.



ALBERT H. McCARTHY

My name is Albert McCarthy and I am a candidate for the office of National Director of the Korean War Veterans Association for the years 2014 thru 2017.

I was sworn into the United States Air Force Reserve Officer Training Program, Detachment 340, while pursuing a degree at the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Massachusetts, my home town. While in AFROTC, I completed the Flight

Indoctrination Program and received my private pilot's license. Immediately following graduation in 1968, my wife, my daughter, and I moved to Valdosta, Georgia where I entered active duty at Moody AFB, as a pilot trainee in the 3550th Student Squadron (ATe).

Later, I was trained as a Weapons Controller (M1744A) and served as commanding officer of the 71st Tactical Control Flight as well as Instructor at the Advanced School of Weapons Control, McDill AFB, Florida. While in this assignment I was promoted to 1st Lieutenant, below the zone, and received the Air Force Commendation Medal and several letters of commendation for skill and accomplishment.

My next assignment was to 5th Air Force, 314th Air Division, Command Advisory Function in Osan, Korea, 1970-1971, where I was attached to the National Security Agency, while working as Senior Weapons Controller in the Korean Tactical Air Control Systems Warning and Control Center. I was promoted to Captain, below the zone, and awarded my second Air Force Commendation Medal for highly classified operational achievements and skill.

Returning home to Massachusetts, I put my leadership training to work as a Human Resources professional, and later as Vice President of a Fortune World Fifty company. In my various assignments I received two national awards for creativity and came in second in America for Human Resources Executive of the Year. During this approximately 38 year period, I helped build one company from a start-up to over a billion dollars in revenue, merged two high tech companies to form a one and a half billion dollar company, and expanded another company internationally while growing its revenue to over a billion dollars.

In addition to being a Life Member of the KWVA, I have served as Commander of Chapter #299 for an unprecedented six years and still serve as one of its Directors. I am also a member of the VFW, the American Legion, and the Military Officers Association of America. My medals include the National Defense Service Medal, The Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, and the Korea Defense Service Medal, among others. I have also participated in services at Arlington National Cemetery and the Korean War Memorial in Washington, D.C. on Memorial Day (six times) and Veterans Day (twice) on behalf of the KWVA.

I respectfully request your consideration and vote so that I may have the opportunity to represent and support all who served in Korea

from 1945 to 1950 while Korea regained her nationhood; those who fought long and hard against extraordinary odds from 1950-1953 to ensure Korea's survival; and all those who served over the last 63 years to protect and defend Korea and her DMZ from a determined and tyrannical dictatorship in North Korea.

If elected, I will attend all called meetings and understand that two unexcused absences could result in my being removed from office.

All information contained in this letter, the Membership Application Form, my military records, and support documentation, is hereby released to the Elections Committee for verification.

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THOMAS M. McHUGH

I Am A Candidate For Kwva National Director 2014-2017.

KWVA SERVICE: I served as National Director for 6 years. At this time I am not on the Board, but I serve on the fundraising Committee. I am also serving (7 years) as Chairman, National Ceremonies Committee. I purchase all Wreaths for the presentations, Reserve Rooms for the President and Color Bearers and do the

Scheduling of Presentations in the Washington DC area, on Memorial Day, July if applicable & Veterans Day. I make the "Turn To Busan" Presentation. I plan to continue as Chairman, until another member requests the assignment. It is indeed an Honor to Present Wreaths at the "National Korean War Memorial" & the "Tomb of the Unknown". I have served as Elections Chairman for four elections. As a recruiting effort I attend Military Vehicle Shows in NJ April & PA September. I display my 1952 M38A1 & a 27 ft Trailer, used to carry my Jeep & Trailer. The 27 ft Trailer has W/W Carpeting & Korean War Posters on all walls. This equipment is also utilized at Schools for our "Tell America Programs.

KWVA RECORD: Past NJ Dept. Commander, Presently NJ Dept. Judge Advocate. Past Chapter 213 Commander Hector A Cafferata JR MOH Chapter. Presently Chapter 213 Adjutant/Finance Officer. New Jersey Ceremonies Chairman 4 years for the "NJ Korean War Memorial" in Atlantic City, NJ July 27th.

I have designed Chapter 213 Challenge Coins & give them to every Wounded Service member visited at Bethesda/Walter Reed Hospital. They are appreciated.

I designed our NEW National KWVA Challenge Coin that I am holding in my picture. National KWVA Challenge Coins are for sale at the Membership Office. Prices for individual Coins & Bulk Sales will be posted on the KWVA Website.

KWVA EMAIL LIST: I frequently send information to a list of members that have sent me their email addresses. It helps the dissemination of important info to many members. If you would like to be added to my list, and receive info, just send me your email address and tell me: "Add me to your list".

AMERICAN LEGION: Membership 60 years. I have served as Post Commander, County Vice Commander, NJ Department Committees including Department SAL Vice Chairman. I have the Honor of being named as the "2014 Parade Grand Marshall" for the Hackettstown NJ Memorial Day Parade.

MILITARY: Army, Retired 43 years service. I enlisted in March 1951 "RA" until April 1954. I served in 332EAB, 835EAB, 1902EAB, Engineer Aviation Battalions "Scarwaf" "Special Category Army Reassigned with Air Force", 30 yrs Njarnj & 10 yrs Reserve Duties: NJ Military Academy Faculty Group Member for SR NCOs, SR Intel NCO, 1SG SGT 1951-1994.

CIVILIAN: Postmaster Retired. Past President Four County Postmaster/ Supervisor Assoc. Past President Warren/Sussex Chapter 1624 NARFE. Past NJ State Vice President NAPUS 6 years. Past NJ State Parliamentarian NAPUS. Married 56 years. Wife Barbara, 6 Children, (including 2 Veterans) , 10 Grandchildren & 1 Great Granddaughter. I have been nominated for the Warren County Hall of Fame.

As a Life Member LR07169 my dues are paid for the full term. I have signed the "Code of Conduct". My application information is released to the Elections Committee. My DD Form 214 is submitted. I will attend and participate in "All Called Meetings" and "Meetings Without A Meeting" of the Board of Directors and understand that 2 unexcused absences may be cause for removal from the Board.

I would appreciate the opportunity to serve as Director for the term 2014 – 2017. I will work tirelessly for the good of the KWVA. I Hereby Request Your Support. I Need Your Votes.

Mail Your Ballot as soon as the January/February Graybeards arrives. Do Not Delay - Vote Immediately. The only way the KWVA can get better is if you help. – Make Your Vote Count

Always Remember: "FREEDOM IS NOT FREE"

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L.T. WHITMORE

L T. WHITMORE's Declaration of intent to run for the office of Director. Korean War Veterans Association.

I am herewith submitting my declaration of intent to run for Director, Korean War Veterans Association.

I am a fully paid up life member of the KWVA, LR40158. I am affiliated with Tidewater Virginia Chapter 191 of which I am the immediate past Commande, having served two terms.

Prior to that, I served two terms as Adjutant and am the current Adjutant.

I have the honor to currently serve as Commander, Department of Virginia, KWVA.

I retired from the USAF as a Master Sergeant in 1976. For the first eleven years of my career, I was a medical and surgical technician. It was in this capacity that I served with the 58th Tactical Hospital at

K-2 Air Base, Taegu, Korea from May 1954 to May 1955. I transitioned as a Military Training Instructor in 1965 and was the Senior MTI of the 3761st Student Training Squadron at Sheppard AFB, Texas until I was reassigned to Naval Base, Port Hueneme as MTI for Air Force personnel being trained by the Navy Sea Bees to perform duties necessary for the Air Force's REDHORSE Program. I was First Sergeant of the 56th Security Police at Nakhon Phanom Royal Thai AFB in 1969 and 1970, and later at Boron Air Force Station, California. I was selected as one of the first 100 applicants to be trained as a Physician Assistant and upon completion, was assigned to the USAF Hospital, Luke AFB, AZ, where I completed my active military service. Since my retirement from the Air Force I have worked continuously as a Physician Assistant in Psychiatry.

I have an Associate's Degree in General Studies from Golden Gate University, Bachelor of Science Degree in Medicine and Surgery from the University of Nebraska and Master of Science Degree from Virginia Commonwealth University.

I believe my background in administrative and personnel services and as a health care provider qualify me to be of service to the Korean War Veterans Association Board of Directors.

I will attend all called meetings of the Board of Directors and understand that two (2) unexcused absences could result in my removal from office.

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THEY CALLED HER RECKLESS

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