

**ALL MEMBERS**

The following eight candidates have been certified to seek the four open positions indicated for the KWVA's 2018 Election. Effective upon the closing date of December 17, 2017, the members of the Election Committee have reviewed all letters, documents, etc. received from each candidate for office.

It is our opinion that all of the requirements have been met as listed in the Association's By-Laws, Procedure Manual and as published in *The Graybeards*. The names have been submitted to the Secretary, the Webmaster, and the editor of *The*

Graybeards for the printing of the ballots.

The Committee has submitted the candidates' names in alphabetical order. Please pass the word to all members to VOTE, as it will help in getting more members to submit their ballots this year. Candidates' resumes and pictures are listed below.

Respectfully Submitted,

KWVA Elections Committee:

- Tim Whitmore, Chairman

CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION

- Paul H. Cunningham
- Lewis R. Vaughn
- Jeffrey J. Brodeur
- Albert H. McCarthy

- Edward L. Brooks
- Narce Caliva
- Bruce R. Harder
- Warren H. Wiedhahn

The letters submitted by the candidates have been edited slightly to fit the format of *The Graybeards*. The contents of the letters were not affected by the editing process.

PRESIDENT**PAUL H. CUNNINGHAM, ED. D.**

I deem it both a privilege and a pleasure to submit my name as a candidate for the office of President of KWVA for a two-year term commencing on June 25, 2018.

My military service began in 1948 when, given a guarantee of a tech school of my choice, I enlisted in the Air Force. Following basic training at Lackland AFB, I completed Radar Repairman School at Keesler AFB, in Biloxi, MS. My first duty

assignment was with the 606th Aircraft & Warning Sqdn., then based at Shaw AFB, SC. Within days after the outbreak of the Korean War, we received orders to ship to Korea. We arrived in Korea in September, 1950. Duty stations included Pusan, Ulsan, Pyongtaek and Kimpo. After 17 months, I was finally rotated stateside. I attained the rank of Staff Sergeant while in Korea. My discharge in August, 1952, enabled me to matriculate in college that fall.

My career in education began as a high school history teacher. After seven years, I moved into school administration. I served in all capacities at both the school building level as well as in central office positions including that of County Superintendent of Schools. While

working for my doctors degree, I spent two years as Administrative Assistant to the Dean of the College of Education at Temple University. In the course of my career, I appeared and testified before government bodies and legislatures at the local, state and federal levels. I retired in 1994 after 38 years in public school administration.

In 2015, I was one of the founders and prime movers in establishing the Gen. John H. Michaelis chapter #327 of the KWVA. Since our charter presentation on April 1, 2015, we have grown to 111 members ranking us as one of the largest groups in the KWVA. I am proud to be serving as this unit's first president.

In 2016, I was elected to the Board of Directors of KWVA. In this capacity, President Stevens charged me with the task of chairing the committee to plan KWVA's participation as co-host of Veterans Day observance at Arlington Cemetery on Nov. 11, 2107. This was a most gratifying experience. For 18 months, not only was I able to work with a super dedicated group of guys but, it also enabled me to meet and interact with other members of the VA and the Veteran Service Organization Committee. By all accounts, our performance in this year's event has been deemed most successful.

As a life member of KWVA my dues are current. If elected to the presidency, I pledge that I will attend all called meetings of the Board and fully understand that two missed meetings could be grounds for removal from office. I hereby grant to the Elections Committee permission to release the Application Form for verification purposes. Copies of the completed KWVA membership application form and separation paper Form DD214 are enclosed herewith.

Respectfully yours,
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LEWIS R. VAUGHN



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 "OUTSTANDNI G 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 S.C. - 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.

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1ST VICE PRESIDENT

JEFFREY J. BRODEUR



This letter is to announce my candidacy for KWVA 1st Vice President to serve from June 25, 2018-June 25, 2020. I am a Life Member (# LR35528) so therefore my dues are paid to present date. If elected, I promise to attend all called meetings and understand that two unexcused absences could result in my removal from office. I am releasing the KWVA application form for verification of eligible service years.

I joined the US Army in 1982 and was Honorably discharged in 1989 as a Corporal. I worked as a Team Leader, Squad Leader and temporary Platoon Sgt as Indirect Fire Infantryman, Infantryman and Infantry Scout. After my Initial Infantry and AIT Training at Fort Benning Ga, I was stationed at Schofield Barracks Hawaii with the 25th Infantry Division (Light), 2nd Infantry Division, Camp Garry Owens, Korea and 26th Infantry Division, Massachusetts National Guard. I deployed to Australia, Japan and the Big Island of Hawaii and worked with soldiers from New Zealand, Korea, Japan, Australia and the Gurkha's based out of Hong Kong during my Army career. I am a recipient of the Korean Defense Service Medal and member of the VFW, American Legion, AMVETS, AUSA, 2nd ID Assn and 25th ID Assn.

After the military, I worked as a security officer for Westin and Marriott Hotels in Downtown Boston before I spent over a decade on the United States Postal Service Boston. While working at the USPS, I attended UMass-Boston after work for 12 years and obtained an Associate's Degree, 2 Bachelor of Art s Degrees, Master of Arts

Degree, 2 Certificates of Advanced Graduate Studies and 2 National Honor Societies. I was recently awarded the William Joiner Award for Excellence for Service to our Veterans.

In 1999, I joined the Korea Defense Veterans of America that spear-headed the movement for the Korean Defense Service Medal, became a KDVA National Officer and founded its only chapter which eventually became Korea War Veterans Association Chapter# 299. In 2005, I was elected KWVA National Director for 2 terms 2005-2011. I was National Membership Chairman from 2005-2010 and 7000 members were brought in under my leadership. I was also National Ceremonies Chairman 2005- 2008 and started the KWVA Color Guard for ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery and the Korean War Veterans Memorial. I and my chapter, KWVA Chapter# 299 obtained many co-sponsors for the KWVA Federal Charter which was signed into law on June 28, 2008. Presently, I am KWVA National 2nd Vice President and coordinating erecting memorials for Korea Defense and Korea War Veterans.

I am happily married to my wife Maura who served in the US Navy and have 2 children. My daughter Colleen is married and has 3 children who brings us great joy as grandparents. Vincent served and was wounded in Iraq with the 82nd Airborne Division. He has had 46 operations mostly due to severe Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) when a building he entered was blown up by Insurgents.

I have a lot of experience in the KWVA and have been loyal and dedicated to the KWVA for over a decade. I need the support of every member that wants the KWVA to continue to honor our history. I thank you for consideration and support. Make your vote count.

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2ND VICE PRESIDENT

ALBERT H. MCCARTHY



My name is Albert McCarthy and I am a candidate for the office of Second Vice President of the Korea War Veterans Association for the years 2018-2021.

I served in the United States Air Force from July, 1968 to November, 1971 and achieved the rank of Captain with an AFSC of Senior Weapons Controller (1744E). My service in Korea was from October, 1970 to October, 1971 as a member of 5th Air Force, 314th Air

Division, Command Advisory Function, attached to the National Security Agency.

Returning to my home in Massachusetts, I put my leadership training to work as a Human Resources professional, rising to Vice President of a Fortune World Fifty company {NEC}. In my various assignments, I received two national awards for creativity and placed second nationally 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 1.5-billion-dollar company; and expanded another company internationally, while growing revenue from 300 million dollars to over a billion dollars.

In addition to being a life Member and past National Director of the KWVA, I have served the organization as Chairman of the Elections Committee in 2015 and 2016. I have also served as the Commander of KWVA Chapter #299 for six years, and still serve as Director and Adjutant. Additionally, I serve as Adjutant of DAV Chapter #4 in Massachusetts and am a member of the VFW, American Legion, and Military Officers Association of America.

I have participated in services at Arlington National Cemetery and the Korea War Memorial in Washington, DC on Memorial Day {six times} and Veterans Day (twice) on behalf of the KWVA.

Additionally, I worked closely with Second Vice President Brodeur on the creation and installation of the first-in-the-nation, Korea Defense Veterans Monument in the Charlestown Navy Yard in Massachusetts.

I respectfully request your consideration and vote, so that I may continue to represent and support all who served in Korea from 1945-1950 while Korea regained her nationhood; those who fought long and hard against extraordinary odds from 1950-1953 to ensure Korea's survival; and all who served over the last six decades 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 removal from office.

All information contains in this letter, the Membership Application Form, my military records, and support documentation, is hereby released to the Election Committee for verification. As a Life Member, my dues are current throughout the duration of my election and membership.

Respectfully submitted.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

EDWARD L. BROOKS



I am Edward L. Brooks and it is my honor to submit my name for consideration to serve on the Board of Directors of the Korean War Veterans Association Inc. I am a life member of the KWVA (LR44041).

I currently serve as Commander of Tidewater Chapter 191 in Hampton, VA. I have been actively involved with Veteran's Affairs at the local, state and national level for many years. I served on the committee

which planned and conducted the recent well attended and quite successful National Membership Meeting in Norfolk Virginia. For the past several years I have participated in the ceremonies conducted at Arlington National Cemetery and at the Korean War Memorial on Veterans Day and Memorial Day during which I had the honor to carry the KWVA Colors in the Parade of Colors. I served on the committee which planned and conducted the 2017 Commemoration of Veterans bay for which the KWVA was the host VSO.

I am a Member for Life of the American Legion and Life Member of the VFW and have done community and statewide service work with

these organizations.

I have maintained a dove cote for many years and have often been called upon to release doves as part of patriotic and private services.

In 1953, as a member of the Army National Guard, I volunteered for active duty. Following training I was assigned to Kojo-Do Island with the Intelligence and Reconnaissance Platoon with the 24th Division. I attained the rank of Sergeant First Class.

Following Korea, I worked for Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co. till my retirement in 1993. My positions included Field Support Analyst and Senior Design Engineer. My assignments included the Perry Nuclear Power Plant in Perry, Ohio and the Cryogenic Electron Beam Accelerator Facility in Newport News, VA. I look forward to serving the membership of the Korean War Veterans Association.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

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NARCE CALIVA



This letter is to announce my candidacy to fill the position of KWVA Director for the years of 2018-2021. As a Life Member, my dues will remain current through the term of office. My DD214 and KWVA Membership Application Forms may be released for verification by the Elections Committee. I will attend all called meetings of the Board of Directors and understand that two unexcused absences may be cause for removal from

office.

Background: Born and raised in Salinas, CA, I joined the Army at 19, was an NCO in the Military Police, then an OCS graduate, and 1st Lt, Transportation Corps. Arrived in Korea July 1951, served 20 months at Wonju and Pusan, in the 52nd and 296th Truck Battalions. Released to Reserves in 1953, I finished college and graduate school under the G.I. Bill

Employment: 30 years career staff member with the American Red Cross (ARC), 1959-1989, progressing in two Services from field to senior management positions, as follows:

Served as Field Director on Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps bases in the US, Spain and Germany. Supervisor in the US, Vietnam (1967-68), and Far East (Japan/Korea). Manager of Service to the Armed Forces, Western US, for 3 years. Between overseas tours, I advanced from field representative to oversee the 12 division managers responsible for giving guidance and assistance to the 1,200 Red Cross chapters then in the Western US.

For 7 years, 1981-88, was senior official in charge of all ARC activities in the European Area, encompassing 80 locations in the US European Command, plus support to the Middle East and Africa. Since retiring in 1989, I have been a Red Cross volunteer. In a 2015

WH ceremony, I received the "Presidential Lifetime Achievement Award".

KWVA: Active in all activities of the Shenandoah Valley Chapter #313, Winchester, VA, (currently 106 members) included building our Korean War Memorial, and attending local, regional and national events, 3 National Conventions, and many KWVA and Embassy functions in Washington, DC. Served 2 terms as 1st Vice Commander and 2 as Commander, and well as a Virginia Department Director and V.P.

In March 2016 I was appointed a Director to fill a vacancy on the KWVA Board. As Chairman, Bylaws Committee, we completed a meticulous review to update the Bylaws and Standard Procedure Manual for reprinting. This is also my third year on the Scholarships Committee.

As KWVA collaborates with related organizations in pursuing common goals, we should continue to lead and make forward-looking decisions in the best interests of our organization and our members. I ask for your vote to keep me on the Board for a full term. Thank you.

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BRUCE R. HARDER



I hereby release this information for verification by the election committee.

I am proud to announce my candidacy for member of the Board of Directors of the KWVA.

I am a Life Member of KWVA and member of the Northern Virginia Chapter #100. On August 1, 2015, KWVA President Larry Kinard, appointed me as the POW/MIA Coordinator for the KWVA. On August 1, 2016, President Tom Stevens

reappointed me to the same position. I consider the next three years to be a critical period of transition of the organization from Korean War Veterans to Korean Defense Veterans.

I joined the staff of Defense POW/Missing Personnel Office (DPMO) in August 2002 and was assigned to the personnel accounting directorate. I worked on the Korean War personnel accounting issue for 13 years. I was the senior policy & strategic planning analyst responsible for developing policy positions for the Director, DPMO, and team leader of the Northeast Asia personnel accounting policy team. I retired from federal civil service on July 31, 2015.

While working at DPMO, I visited the Korean Peninsula many times including two visits to North Korea (2002 and 2005) when DoD was conducting Korean War remains recovery operations in North Korea. I am a Korean Defense Veteran and have been awarded the Korea Defense Service Medal. The KWVA has a vast wealth of experience including those who have served in Korea in wartime and in peacetime. I feel very strongly that we must work together to carry on the legacy of the Korean War veterans who served with honor and distinction during the Korean War.

From October 1997 until August 2002, I was the Director, National Security and Foreign Affairs for the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. While working for the VFW, I traveled to Southeast

Asia, Northeast Asia, Western Europe, Eastern Europe, the Middle East, and Russia, and worked on National Security and POW/MIA issues.

From 1969-70, I served a one-year tour in Vietnam, as an infantry platoon commander with the First Marine Division. My second Vietnam tour was from 1972-73. I was the intelligence officer for Marine Fighter/Attack Squadron 333, which was deployed to the Gulf of Tonkin aboard the aircraft carrier America. Subsequent tours of duty took me to a variety of locations at home and abroad where I held command and staff positions and took part in planning and executing joint and combined military exercises and operations. I was assigned to III Marine Expeditionary Force on Okinawa for 6 years. During this time, I deployed many times to the ROK to participate in contingency planning and to plan and execute amphibious field exercises and command post exercises for the defense of the ROK. I retired from active duty on December 31, 1997, with 27 years of active duty, and the rank of Colonel, USMC.

I hereby 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 my removal from office.

Respectfully submitted,

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WARREN H. WIEDHAHN



I'm proud to announce my candidacy for the position of Director.

I joined the Marine Corps right out of High School in 1948. My intention was to spend three years on active duty and then get out and go to college. After two years in Tsingtao, China, I returned to Camp Pendleton, California to await separation. My plans were disrupted on 25 June 1950 when North Korean forces invaded their peaceful southern neighbor. Ordered

to Korea with the First Marine Brigade in August, we fought at the Pusan Perimeter, Inchon Landing, Liberation of Seoul and the Chosin Reservoir. I subsequently served in the Marine Corps for thirty three (33) years to include two years in Vietnam, 1968-69. I received an honorable separation in 1982.

I am a Life Member of KWVA and President of the Northern Virginia Chapter #100. I have previously served on the KWVA Board of Directors and as the 1st Vice President. I have served on several KWVA committees and am currently the Chairman of the Revisit Korea Program. I consider the next two years critical as the War veterans age and the Defense veterans take their rightful place in our ranks. I feel very strongly that these Defense veterans will carry on our Legacy well into the future.

I hereby certify that I will attend all called meetings of the KWVA Board of Directors and that I understand that two (2) unexcused absences could be used for my removal from office.

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New KWVA Facebook Page Already Getting Results

We started a KWVA National Facebook page in the late summer of 2017. We should have done this years ago, as most people today are using Facebook and not going much to websites in this modern era of social media.

We are losing a lot of members and need to get the Korean War Veterans Association's existence out to the public expeditiously. I realized many people never heard of us until KWVA National President Tom Stevens spoke at Arlington National Cemetery on Veterans Day Nov 11, 2017, and because our Facebook page was underutilized. At the time, the page had only a few hundred likes, but was getting a lot of activity and a lot of new members.

I called a few of the new members in November 2017 and confirmed that these were the two factors. Everyone I spoke to said, "I never knew KWVA even existed." As a former National Membership Chairman and Recruiting Committee member, I suggested to President Stevens and Executive Director Jim Fisher that we invest \$300 dollars a month—\$10 a day—in advertising on a KWVA Facebook pilot program. The results were astounding.

In one month, we went from 429 likes on our page to 2,034 likes. Our ads had reached 13,758 people. The activity on our posts were tremendous for the number of likes. The page was being fed daily by me, Past KWVA National Director Al McCarthy, and Webmaster Jim Doppelhammer. A lot of the Korea Defense Veterans who like the page were putting on their units and dates of service in Korea and inquiring about how to join the KWVA.

We extended the ad for another 30 days and are getting outstanding results. We even had a group of Korea Defense Veterans, after seeing KWVA National Director Tom McHugh's Korea Defense Memorial recently erected in New Jersey, inquire about replicating the Korea Defense Memorial in Tennessee. KWVA Director Bill Lack is in contact with these Defense Veterans about joining the KWVA and erecting the memorial.

Let's keep this as a rolling ad. In all the years I have been involved in the KWVA we have put very little funds into recruiting. Most of the people who like the page have some affiliation with Korea, whether directly or indirectly. It could be a daughter or a grandson who wants to buy their father or grandfather a membership, or it could be a present Korea Defense Veteran serving in the ROK today, or a Korea War veteran who just stumbled on the page.

We are constructively doing some recruiting with minimal funds expedited. We are getting a lot of bang for our buck. As of this writing, we have 2,314 likes on our page, almost a 300 "like" increase in four days.

Go to our Facebook page, "like" it, and invite your friends to "like" the page also.

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(Go to <https://www.facebook.com/Korean-War-Veterans-474116042716548/> to check the site.)