

# KWVA President Visits the National Capital Region

The Korean War Veterans Association (KWVA) was very well represented in the Washington, D.C. area during Veterans' Day week as President Jeff Brodeur paid several calls and attended numerous events and meetings in the National Capital Region.

On Monday, he visited the National Museum of the Marine Corps (NMMC) at Quantico, VA. After touring the museum with docent and National Director Col. Rocky Harder, USMC (Ret.) as his guide, Jeff and Rocky were joined by National Director Col. Warren Wiedhahn, USMC (Ret.) and new Public Affairs Coordinator Major Fred ("Flash") Lash, USMC (Ret.) for lunch at Tun Tavern, the museum's premiere restaurant.

While having lunch, Jeff was introduced to the President of the Marine Corps Heritage Foundation, MajGen James A. Kessler, USMC (Ret.), the museum's Public Affairs Chief, Gwenn Adams, and the deputy director of the NMMC, Dave Vickers.

The following day, Brodeur visited our wounded warriors and



**KWVA National Director and DC Capital Region Representative Bruce ("Rocky") Harder and KWVA President Jeff Brodeur with a Marine UH-34 Helicopter and Marines (Vietnam era) at the National Museum of the Marine Corps on Monday, November 9, 2020**



**President Brodeur with staff members at Bethesda**

staff at Walter Reed Military Hospital in Bethesda, MD and presented several KWVA challenge coins to those veterans. He also met with Gen. Jim McConville and LtGen Gary Brito, explaining to them the structure of the KWVA and the role that the Korean War veterans play in carrying on many of our proud military traditions and actively supporting our active duty wounded warriors.

During the evening prior to Veterans' Day, Brodeur visited the Korean War Veterans' Memorial in Washington, paying his respects to all the members of the Armed Forces of the United States who paid the ultimate sacrifice during their service in the Korean War.

On Veterans' Day, Brodeur attended the Wreath-Laying Ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at the Arlington National Cemetery, representing the KWVA. President and Commander-in-Chief Donald Trump, Vice President Mike Pence, and Secretary Wilke were present to lay the wreath, along with other representatives of numerous Veterans Service Organizations (VSO).

Brodeur reported that "It was raining throughout most of the ceremony and security was very tight."

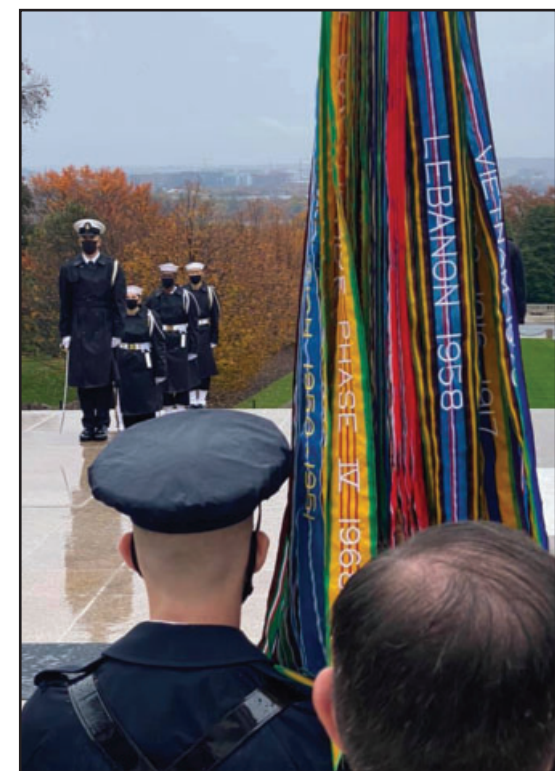
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**Placing of the Veterans Day wreath at Arlington National Cemetery**



“Rocky” Harder (L) and Warren Wiedhahn (R) with KWVA President Jeff Brodeur in front of an F-4U Corsair (Korean War era) at the National Museum of the Marine Corps on Monday, November 9, 2020



Streamers galore mark Veterans Day 2020 at Arlington National Cemetery



Dignitaries and guests gather at Arlington National Cemetery on Veterans Day 2020

U.S. President Trump (R), Vice President Pence (C), and unidentified dignitary at Arlington National Cemetery on Veterans Day 2020

