



ALL MEMBERS

ALL MEMBERS The following seven candidates have been certified to seek the four positions available in the 2022 election: President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, and National Director. (Three Directors' positions are available.)

Effective upon the closing date of December 26, 2021 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 by office. Please pass the word to all members to VOTE. Candidates' resumes and pictures are posted below.

Respectfully submitted,

KWVA Elections Committee: Thomas E. Cacy, Chairman

NOTE: 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.

CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION

PRESIDENT

- Brodeur, Jeffrey J. LR 35528
- Key, Alves J. (A.J.) LR 41536

1st VICE PRESIDENT

- McCarthy, Albert H. LR 36750

2nd VICE PRESIDENT

- McHugh, Thomas M. LR 07169

NATIONAL DIRECTOR

- Lash, Fred C. LR46658
- McWaters, John R. LR46603
- Pickett, David H. LR49430

PRESIDENT

JEFFREY J. BRODEUR



This letter is to announce my candidacy for KWVA National President to serve from June 25, 2022-June 2024. 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 Platoon Sgt as an 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), 26th Infantry Division Massachusetts National Guard, and 2nd Infantry Division, Camp Garry Owens, Korea. I deployed to Australia, Japan, Korea, 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, DAV, 2nd ID Assn and 25th ID Assn.

After the military, I worked as a security officer for Westin and Marriott Hotels in Downtown Boston and Director of Security for Rachels Nightclub at the Marriott Long Wharf, Boston Ma. I spent over a decade on the United States Postal Service Boston. While working at the USPS, I attended UMass-Boston and obtained an Associate's Degree, 2 Bachelor of Arts Degrees, Master of Arts Degree, 2 Certificates of Advanced Graduate Studies, in 2 National Honor Societies, Deans List and was awarded the William Joiner Award for Excellence for Service to our Veterans.

In 1999, I joined the Korea Defense Veterans of America that spearheaded 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 2004. I have been elected KWVA National President (2020-2022), National 1st Vice President (2018-2020), National 2nd Vice President (2016-2018), KWVA National Director for 2 terms (2005-2011). I was National Membership Chairman from 2005-2010, National Ceremonies Chairman 2005- 2008, coordinated the KWVA National

Membership Meetings in Boston in 2011 and Orlando in 2021 and also started the KWVA Color Guard for ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery and the Korean War Veterans Memorial. I also helped get 3 National bills passed into law, Korea Defense Service Medal (2002), KWVA Federal Charter (2008) and Omnibus Caregivers Bill (2010).

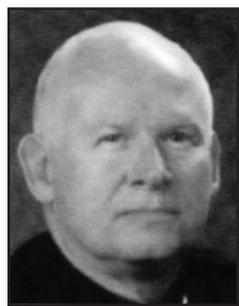
Presently, I am KWVA National President and Social Media Coordinator. The KWVA Facebook Page which I started on 12-4-17 with 427 Likes, now has 61,000 Likes. The page brings the KWVA many new members, many donations and many people who buy KWVA products. I started the new KWVA Dog Tag Remembrance Program with Wreaths Across America, established the first KWVA Treasury of over \$1,000,000 dollars, and honorably represented the KWVA at hundreds of ceremonies and events all over America. Myself and our officers also visited our Wounded Warriors at Bethesda / Walter Reed under my leadership. I was on the Massachusetts Governors and Congressional Military and Veterans Advisory Committees.

Myself and my wife were named Caregivers of the Year by Hope for the Warriors. I am happily married to my wife Maura who served in the US Navy and we have 2 children. My daughter Colleen has 3 children who bring us great joy as grandparents. My son Vincent was wounded in Iraq with the 82nd Airborne Division and has had 48 operations. I have a lot of experience locally and nationally in the KWVA and have been loyal and dedicated to the KWVA for over 20 years. My 3 Uncles and 2 cousins served in the Korean War Era.

I believe I am worthy of reelection and need your Vote to keep the Korean War Legacy and its Aftermath alive.

KWVA National President Jeffrey J. Brodeur M.A./
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ALVES J. KEY



I submit this letter announcing my candidacy for the office of President of the Korean War Veterans Association Inc., to serve from June 25, 2022, to June 25, 2024.

I entered active service on August 1, 1965 with training at Lackland, AFB Texas and Lowry, AFB Colorado. My qualifying Defense Veteran military service was with the USAF 6314th MMS Detachment 1, 6175th AB Group at Kunsan AB Korea, from April 1968 to April 1970. My primary duty was maintaining and transporting weapons to alert aircraft. I also served two tours at the 22nd Air Defense Missile Squadron at Langley AFB Virginia (04/1966 to 04/1968) and (04/1970 to 09/1972). After leaving active duty as a SSGT, I served in the United States Air Force Reserve from (02/1973 - 08/1986) at the 301st Tactical Fighter Wing Carswell AFB TX serving as the Wing Safety Office Explosive Safety NCO and later in the 301st CAMS Munitions Section. I retired in August 1986 as a MSGT with seven active and thirteen years of reserve service.

I am a retired Law Enforcement chief officer with service at the agencies noted below:

- Tarrant County Sheriff's Office-Fort Worth, TX (12/2003 to 11/2008) Chief Deputy Personnel/Training
- City of Longview Police PD- Longview, TX (09/1999 to 11/2003) Police Chief
- City of Arlington PD- Arlington, TX (10/ 1977 to 08/1999) Deputy Police Chief (Highest position held)

Education:

- Dallas Baptist University, Dallas, TX
- Master of Arts in Professional Development-Criminal Justice Emphasis (12/2008)
- Bachelor of Career Arts -Applied Business Administration (05/1988)

I have served as a Director of General Walton H. Walker KWVA Chapter 215 located in DFW Texas, and currently serve as chapter president. In past service to KWVA national I coordinated delivery of Tell America materials for approximately three years. My military and professional experience as a law enforcement chief officer and educator required the ability to communicate and collaborate with others to achieve organizational goals. I aspire to be an effective servant leader of the KWVA to achieve the KWVA mission of ensuring a "living legacy" for those who served in the Korean War and won the victory, and those who served after the armistice to maintain that victory.

I believe that the Board of Directors should be accountable to the membership by ensuring that activities and actions focus on the vision and mission objectives of the KWVA. The Board has a fiduciary duty to members, governing authorities, and donors to account for and properly use donated resources.

Meeting the KWVA mission in the coming decades requires the following:

1. Soliciting feedback from members using surveys in Graybeards, posted on the website, and/or email to Chapter commanders
2. Recruiting engaged Defense Era veterans to grow and maintain mission capacity
3. Maintaining positive and collaborative relationships with Congressional and Federal entities
4. Building and maintaining contacts with Korean Embassy, community, and business leadership
5. Supporting the education efforts of the Korean War Legacy Foundation

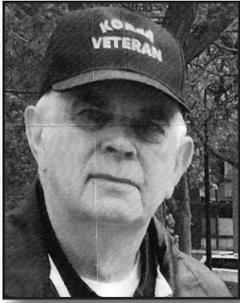
As testament of my commitment to serve, I will attend all called meetings of the Board of Directors and understand that two (2) unexcused absences are reason for removal from office. I also authorize the Election Committee to use the application form for establishing eligibility for the office. I also certify that my dues as a Life Regular Member will be current through my term of office if elected.

With warm regards,

Alves J. Key, Jr., Immediate Past President of
KWVA Chapter 215 DFW, TX

1st VICE PRESIDENT

ALBERT J. MCCARTHY



My name is Albert McCarthy and I am a candidate for re-election to the office of First Vice President of the Korea War Veterans Association for the years 2021-2024.

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 in Osan.

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, National Second Vice President, and current National First Vice President of the KWVA, I have served the organization as Chairman of the Elections Committee in 2015 and 2016 and am currently co-Chairman of the Fundraising Committee and recently appointed to the Recruiting Chairmanship. 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 National 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 contained 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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2nd VICE PRESIDENT

THOMAS MCHUGH



I hereby submit my request for re-election to the position of 2nd Vice President. I am a Life Member, my dues are paid through the term. I am aware that two unexcused absences will be cause for removal from office. I release my information to the election committee.

My efforts include:

- National Director 2008-2013 / 2014-2019
- 2nd Vice President 2020-2022
- Ceremonies Committee Chairman 7 years 2007-2014
- Election Chairman 4 times
- Fund Raiser Chairman 8 years 2014-2021
- Chairman Defense Veterans Memorial Committee 2017-2021

I wish to continue serving and to do so I need your vote. Every vote counts. Vote now.

I have enjoyed serving as Fund Raiser Committee Chairman. During my 8 years we have raised in excess of \$500,000, including \$76,000 in 2021. It has been a very successful assignment. My personal "THANK YOU" to every member that supported these worthy Fund Raisers. Please continue to donate. The individuals that received the 2021 prizes, as picked, live in NY - CT- FL - FL - CT- CA.

I served in the ARMY 1951-1954 in SCARWAF / NJARNG 1954-1984 in 104th Engr BN as Bn S2 Intell NCO/ARMY Reserve 1984-1994. Retiring as First Sgt. I retired as Postmaster Belvidere NJ after 33 years. I have been married 64 years. My family is now 6 Children, 10 Grand Children, 8 Great Grand Children.

Working as a team President Jeff Brodeur, 1st VP Albert McCarthy, and 2nd VP Thomas McHugh have not only reduced costs, but increased our finances to an unprecedented level. Please vote to allow us to continue this success. Do not fall for the BS, Eye wash and costly promises. Re-elect those of us that have proven to be successful as workers as well as leaders. With your help, we will continue to do the job.

There are Defense Veteran Memorials in planning and construction stages in several states, using Chapter funds only. States

in progress but not limited to are TX-3, MI-2, FL-3, PA-2, IL. NJ. OH. Question: Do all the Korean War Memorials in your area, have an addition of a Defense Veteran Memorial? Over 1200 individuals have died in Korea since the cease fire date. They should be recognized. We can help you with the planning. National KWVA funds have never been spent. Local Chapters raised have all the funds.

We have proven that the lies that were being sent were just that "LIES", sent by petty individuals that could not get what they wanted. The KWVA is running very efficiently without paid (supposed) leadership. We said it can be done without spending over \$70,000, we then proved it over and over. Now we need your support. Please VOTE. Talk it up at meetings and by phone contact with other members.

VOTE VOTE VOTE

Always Remember, "FREEDOM IS NOT FREE"

Thomas McHugh LR 07169, 2nd Vice President, 908-852-1964; tmmchugh@msn.com

DIRECTORS

FRED C. LASH



To: Elections Committee, Korean War Veterans Association

Subject: Statements of Fred C. Lash

- I intend to run for a Director position with the Korean War Veterans Association (KWVA) in the Spring of 2022.

- I strongly feel that I am fully qualified to run for, and fill, this position based on my knowledge of this association

and Veterans Service Organizations as a whole. Due to the location of my home (Springfield, Virginia), I frequently attend (and actively participate in) nearly all the events, ceremonies, and funerals that involve the KWVA and its members. I am also able to assist any visiting officers and directors of the KWVA who may be transiting the Washington, DC region on official business. As the Public Affairs Coordinator, I function as both the public relations manager and communications director, as well as the protocol chief.

Additionally, I work quite a bit with several other military-related associations that are headquartered in the Northern Virginia/Washington area; therefore, I am part of a large network of individuals with similar duties, and routinely share timely and pertinent information, often useful to the KWVA. Knowing first-hand how the Defense Department and Military Services operate, relative to the VSOs, I am in an ideal position to assist KWVA as it navigates through the red tape and government requirements so common in the National Capital Region.

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

- As a Life Member of the KWVA, my dues are fully paid as of the time of the election process.

- I hereby release all submitted documents/material for verification

tion by the Elections Committee.

- Mailing Address: 7020 Maple Tree Lane, Springfield, VA 22152

- Telephone Numbers: Home: 703-644-5132; Cell: 703-304-7665

- KWVA Member Number: LR46658

- E-mail Address: fredanddonnalash@verizon.net

Major Fred Curtis Lash, USMC, Retired November 30, 2021

JOHN MCWATERS R.



Hello, I'm John McWaters, Commander, Chapter 169, The Villages, FL I have held this position for the past 5 years. Our active membership is now 248 members.

My qualifications include service in Korea with the 13th Cmbt Bn 1950-1953, a total of 3 years, 2 months 12 days. I transferred to the Army ROTC program at GA TECH, 1954-58. Commissioned a 2LT of engineers

12/6/58.

I commanded at every level platoon to division, retiring as a Major General 12/6/1991. During my first term as a National Director I served as chairman of each of these committees, Membership, Scholarship, and Tell America; I desire to be re-elected as a National Director.

If elected I will attend all scheduled BOD meetings and respond to all BWM meetings. I understand that any two unexcused absences could be used for my removal from office.

I hereby release all submitted documents/materials for verification by the election committee. My current mailing address is 2075 Callaway Drive, The Villages, FL 32162; email address genjon@thevillages.net; telephone number 352 445 9316.

John R. McWaters LR 46603

DAVID H. PICKETT



I am submitting this letter announcing my candidacy for the office of Director of the Korean War Veterans Association. I agree to attend all called meetings and will respond to all calls for business without a meeting. I also understand that two unexcused absences could be grounds for removal from office. I am fully available to serve a full term. My dues are current as I am a lifetime member of the KWVA.

I initially joined the Army in 1984 and have served in various roles within the Air Defense Artillery Corps, the Military Police Corps, and most recently as a Logistician / Transportation Specialist.

I was awarded many decorations for my deeds while serving in the Army. Among those awards were the Florida Cross; the

Meritorious Service Award; Army Accommodation and Achievement Medals; the Combat Action Badge and Air Assault Badge. I also distinguished myself above my peers by being chosen for two years straight as the top Logistician at the Battalion level in an Army wide competition. This award was presented to me in Washington D.C. by some of the Army's top Generals.

I served at various duty assignments throughout my career. I was stationed in Bitburg, Germany (85-87), Ft. Campbell, Ky (87-89, 90-92), Pyeongtaek, Korea (89-90). In 1992 I joined the Florida National Guard and where I served until 2005. In 2005 I went back onto active duty as an Active Guard Reserve (AGR) where I served out the remaining years of service in West Palm Beach, FL.

After 9-11 I was heavily involved in Operation Safe Skies. Where we stationed troops in the airports across the country. This was a huge logistical challenge as no one that was currently serving had ever conducted such an operation.

I have served two combat tours in the Middle East. One tour in Saudi Arabi/Iraq for Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm, and one tour in Afghanistan for Operation Enduring

Freedom IV - V. In 2015 I retired from the Florida National Guard for a combined total of 32 years' service. I hold a master's degree in Critical Incident Management from St. Leo University. My undergraduate degree is in Criminal Justice and I also hold a Associates Degree in Liberal Arts. I'm a dedicated family man with five children and four grandchildren.

In 2019 I ran for a local government office and won a seat on the Port St. Lucie City Council. Being an elected official gives me the opportunity to represent my district and have a voice in the direction as the city moves forward. I get great satisfaction in being able to help my constituents, and I will put forth that same energy and effort into the position of Director of the Korean War Veterans Association.

I currently reside at 2473 SW Galiano Rd Port St. Lucie, FL. 3498. My phone number is 772-201-9570 and my email address is avid.pickett9570@gmail.com. My KWVA membership number is R049430. I hereby authorize release of all submitted document for verification to the Election Committee.

David Pickett

Like Father, Like Son

A meeting with Gen. Patton

The spring offensive by the North Koreans in 1953 at the "Iron Triangle" produced a great column of refugees going south. The Eighth South Korean Infantry Division was pushed out of Kumwha Valley and was in retreat to South Korea. The 40th Infantry Division was sent from the Punch Bowl to the Kumwha Valley to plug the hole left by the South Korean Eighth Infantry Division.

As I was going north an officer in charge of 23 tanks was approaching when he asked, "Who's in charge of the 75 and 105 mm recoilless rifles?"

I answered, "I am in charge, sir."

He said, "Sergeant, don't you notice something is wrong with the refugees that are coming? The old men, children, and young ladies are carrying the heavy loads while all the many wagons pulled by water buffaloes only carry hay. There must be something in those wagons."

The captain in charge of the tanks ordered me to have my men put the bayonets on their rifles, poke their bayonets into the hay, and tip the wagons over, taking whatever prisoners were in them. As my men began to do so all the ladies and young children began to cry.

The captain then told me, "Keep on moving, do not block the convoy, and leave some men to patrol that will be escorted to me later that night."



When my men returned to the unit they were excited and happy from capturing many communist prisoners. Later, I inquired who was in charge of the 23 tanks. They answered that it was Captain George Patton IV. George Patton Jr. was a four-star general in the Second World War.

Being able to fight alongside Captain SFC Ernesto Sanchez

George S. Patton IV, who later became a general, is one of my proudest and most-prized moments of my service in Korea.

(Sergeant First Class) Ernesto Sanchez, 40th Infantry Division, 1307 E Stewart St., Laredo, TX, 78040, (956) 251-3041

Why was George S. Patton IV not numbered George S. Patton III?



George Patton IV

Some readers might wonder why the George S. Patton IV featured in this story was not III, since his father was George S, Patton Jr. Technically, then George S, Patton IV should have been III. Confusing! Here's the explanation:

Patton IV was the fourth in his line to be named George Smith Patton. His great-grandfather, the first George Smith Patton, was a colonel in the Confederate States Army during the American Civil War. He was killed in 1864, at the Battle of Opequon.

Patton's grandfather, born George William Patton in 1856, changed his name to George Smith Patton in 1868, in honor of his father. Patton's father was George Smith Patton Jr., the renowned World War II general most famous for his command of the Third U.S. Army in Northwest Europe in 1944 and 1945.

Though given the name Junior, Patton's father was actually the third George Smith Patton. For this reason, Patton was christened George Smith Patton IV. Following his father's death in 1945, Patton changed his legal name to George Smith Patton, dropping the Roman numerals.

His eldest son, technically the fifth George S. Patton, is also known as George Smith Patton Jr.

(Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/George_Patton_IV)