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<p>ELECTED OFFICERS</p> <p>COMMANDER Larry Brewer</p> <p>SR. VICE CMDR. Russ Jordan</p> <p>1st VICE CMDR. Sharri Peck</p> <p>2nd VICE CMDR. LaShawn Boyer</p> <p>TREASURER April Dozier</p> <p>CHAPLAIN Terry Taylor</p> <p>JUDGE ADVOCATE Shay Odom</p> <p>APPOINTED OFFICERS</p> <p>ADJUTANT Ana Alicea</p> <p>CERTIFIED SERVICE OFFICERS Terry Bohlinger, Carl Garrett, Tim Valentine, LaShawn Boyer, Shay Odom, Sharri Peck, Rob Lurie</p> <p>OFFICER OF THE DAY (vacant)</p> <p>SERGEANT AT ARMS Todd Davis</p> <p>BENEFITS PROTECTION OFFICER Shay Odom</p> <p>MEMBER-AT-LARGE George Robinson, Jacqueline Herrmann, Carl Garrett</p> <p>SOCIAL MEDIA Ana Alicea, Terry Taylor, Bill Townsley</p> <p>WOMEN VETERANS COMMITTEE CHAIR Lashawn Boyer</p>	<p>COMMANDER'S CORNER. DAV Mission Statement: "We are dedicated to a single purpose: empowering veterans to lead high-quality lives with respect and dignity. We accomplish that by ensuring that veterans and their families can access the full range of benefits available to them; fighting for the interests of America's injured heroes on Capitol Hill; and educating the public about the great sacrifices and needs of veterans transitioning back to civilian life."</p> <p>Hello Comrades, we will have two (2) vehicles and four (4) walkers participating at the Fourth of July Parade in Yorktown from Chapter #13. If you would like to participate, we would love to have you so let us know by contact DAV Chapter #13 at (757) 596-0062.</p> <p>The Forget-Me-Nots fundraising is still on for June 15-17, 2023, at the Kiln Creek Kroger's. PCC Larry Meade is heading this effort and would still welcome any volunteers to sit at the table. So, if you have some spare time to help out, please let us know and we will put you on the list.</p> <p>Here is some important information that may affect your right to VA compensation payments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dependents: You must advise VA of any change in their status; • Change in employment status; • Hospitalization: If your award includes aid and attendance benefits, VA may discontinue this allowance if you are admitted to a hospital, nursing home, or domiciliary for care at VA expense; and • Lack of cooperation with the VA; therefore, you must be attentive to all email, mail, and/or calls for the VA and respond when required. <p>Your membership status does not only depend on whether you paid your dues. You, as a member, must inform membership of any changes to address, telephone, and email address. If you have a change to your status go to join my DAV.org where you can request changes as a member or come by Chapter #13 to fill out the form with new changes or contact membership at (859) 441-7300.</p> <p>Our next General Member Business meeting will be on September 16, 2023. We are not holding meetings during the months of June, July and August to give our committed volunteers the opportunity to spend time with family and friends. However, we will be holding our Executive Board meetings which are open to all members as well. Our next Executive Committee meeting is on June 28, 2023.</p> <p>Enjoy your summer Comrades!!</p> <p>COMMANDER: Larry Brewer, DAV Chapter #13</p>		<p>WWW.DAV13VA.COM dav@dav13va.com (757) 596-0062</p> <p>1700-E George Wash Mem Hwy, Suite E, Yorktown, VA 23693</p>



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JUDGE ADVOCATES CORNER:

What's Love got to do with it!

S. 1266 would eliminate the remarriage age for surviving spouses has been a long-standing issue for DAV. In accordance with DAV Resolution No. 162, we strongly support the Love Lives on Act. Surviving spouses that are currently in receipt of DIC benefits should not have to worry about losing their benefits if they remarry before the age of 55.

Marriage age for survivors in receipt of Dependency Indemnity Compensation (DIC). The payment of DIC benefits was intended to provide surviving spouses with the means to maintain some semblance of economic stability for themselves and their families following the death of their veteran. For decades, surviving spouses were no longer eligible for DIC benefits if they remarried prior to the age of 57. Then in 2021, the remarriage age was lowered to 55. Bill is in the infancy to and has been presented.

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Additional information that is not legislative input and you may use or not.

PACT ACT Claims: Attention all veterans and surviving spouses ensure to get your PACT act claims submitted by August 10, 2023.

Membership just reminder Active Duty are eligible to place membership with DAV. Remember if you placed membership in the last 3 months, be sure to come to the next scheduled meeting on September 17, 2023, to get sworn in.