

This is to announce my candidacy for Director of the KWVA for period 2007-2010. I am a Korean War Era veteran of the Marine Corps, having served at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, SC and Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, NC from Oct 1952 to Jul 1953.

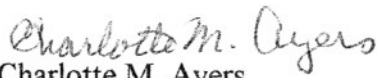
I was born and raised in Neillsville, WI. In Oct 1952 I enlisted in the Marine Corps, thereby joining my dad serving in the Army, two brothers in the Marines (one serving in Korea), and another brother in the National Guard. After completing Boot Camp and Clerk-Typist School, I was stationed at the Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, NC where I worked in the Sergeant-Major and Adjutant's offices, which included the S&C Files (Top Secret, Secret, and Confidential Files). Served three years on the Inspector-Instructor Staff, 1st Engr Bn USMCR, Ft. McHenry, Baltimore MD, and received an honorable discharge in Oct 1957.

In the ensuing years, I married a Marine, raised a family, relocated many times, then made Beaufort, SC our home. In 1981, I joined the Naval Reserve Unit in Savannah, GA. The military was not recruiting prior service veterans in those years so I enlisted as a Seaman, retiring as a Yeoman Chief Petty Officer in 1996 (which included my active duty years). My Naval Reserve annual training included assignments with the US/European Command, Stuttgart, Germany; NavSupAct, Holy Loch, Scotland; and COMSC Washington DC. I retired in 1998 from Civil Service. I have three children, two grandsons, and live in Beaufort, SC.

I take part in ceremonies on Memorial Day, Veterans Day, and POW/MIA Recognition Day at the National Cemetery in Beaufort, volunteer with community organizations, including Red Cross Community Emergency Response Teams, and am a member of the USO welcoming servicemen and women back from overseas and seeing them off on deployment. Joined SC State Guard in 1998 serving as Adjutant (Captain) for five years. Am a member of the Women Marine Assoc., American Legion, and KWVA.

I joined KWVA Chapter 185, Charleston, SC in 2000. In Nov 2004, with assistance of President Pat Sullivan, organized Palmetto Chapter 303, Beaufort, SC where I served as President until Jan 2007. Presently, I am a Trustee of SC Department of KWVA, and am on the By-Laws Committee.

My membership number is RO28336. My dues are paid through 2010. I am a team player, support the mission of KWVA and all that it stands for, and will abide by the Code of Conduct of KWVA. I promise to attend all called meetings of the Board of Directors, and it is understood that two unexcused absences can be used to remove me from office. The enclosed application form is released to the Nominating Committee for verification. I request your vote for KWVA Director for the 2007-2010 term.


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