

Meet Your DAR SERVICE FOR VETERANS Committee Co- Chairs



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Nancy Williams, Peter Forney Chapter, Montgomery, AL

joined DAR in 1978, as Junior Member in Mississippi. Nancy became active in 2014 while taking her mother to Chapter meetings in Montgomery, AL. She served as Regent for the Peter Forney Chapter and two terms as DAR Service For Veterans Chair. She was appointed as the VAVS Representative for the Central District and is currently serving her second three-year term.

Kitty LaBay, Twickenham Town Chapter, Huntsville, AL

joined DAR in 2011, she is very active in her Chapter and loves working with the Veterans. Kitty has served as Regent and is very active in the community working with Veterans. She loves to crochet items and handout thank you card size notes to veterans. Kitty is an Army Brat and wife. Kitty's passion for DAR Service For Veterans is evident and contagious.

DAR SERVICE FOR VETERANS

Purpose and Goals



- The DAR Service for Veterans Committee serves America's veterans.
- DAR Service for Veterans provides a tangible way of acknowledging and saying, “thank you”. DAR members can recognize Men and Women Veterans for their sacrifice, service and commitment to preserve our Nations Freedom.
- Provide Services for our Nation’s Veterans.
- Educate DAR members on services they can provide for Veterans.
- Lead volunteer efforts by DAR members to include Veterans.
- Provide visibility for DAR Veterans programs and activities.

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How to get Involved

- Volunteer at a Veterans nursing home, or the Veterans hospital near you.
- Send cards to Veterans in your community.
- Host parties such as Veterans Day, Christmas, Valentine's or just because you want to say, "thank you". Host a Veterans Dinner. Celebrate Veterans during the off seasons, such as January, August. Honor women Veterans.
- Sponsor Honor Flights.
- Create care packages for veterans.
- Ask a Veteran to speak at a Chapter meeting.

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What Next

Nominate an Outstanding Volunteer

There are three awards for outstanding volunteer service:

- **Outstanding Veterans Volunteer Award:** presented to a veteran in recognition of outstanding achievement in personal, professional, and family life. Applicant must prove significant contributions of leadership, patriotism, and increased public awareness of veterans. The sponsoring chapter must be in the state where the veteran lives.
- **Outstanding Youth Volunteer Award:** presented to a youth volunteer who provides service for veterans and is 14 to 21 years of age. The award is given in recognition of outstanding or unusual care given to veterans. The candidate for the award serves as a role model for peers and consistently demonstrates the qualities of leadership.
- **Outstanding DAR Service for Veterans Award:** presented to a DAR member in recognition of outstanding care given to veterans in any of the following areas: Department of Veterans Affairs facilities, state veterans facilities, nursing homes, shelters, and outpatient clinics. The outstanding NSDAR volunteer has given more than her time. She has made meaningful contributions to veterans through creative and resourceful outreach.
- **DEADLINE:** All nominations must reach your State Chair by **no later than December 15** or earlier if required by your state. All forms and instructions are found at www.dar.org/members/committees/national-committees/dar-service-veterans/committee-awards

DAR SERVICE FOR VETERANS Awards

Outstanding Youth Volunteer

Thomas Barton
Broken Arrow Chapter
Ellen Fretz Randolph, Regent

Outstanding DAR Service For Veterans

Susan Pierce Moore
Lilly of the Cahaba Chapter
Suzy Koski, Regent

Thomas, a high school senior and respectful young patriot, has given generously of his time and talent to honor Revolutionary and other war veterans. He has played patriotic songs on his violin at many DAR public events and served as president of the Canoe Creek Society, C.A.R.

Susan Moore excels in finding new, unique ways to serve veterans, always going “the extra mile”. That applies whether making gift bags or organizing the Birmingham Veterans Day Parade, planning and scripting a Constitution Week observance in a state home, cleaning up and decorating a home for female veterans.

DAR SERVICE FOR VETERANS SNIPPETS



- 33 Chapters participated in Wreaths Across America. Broken Arrow sponsoring 330 wreaths.
- Fort Dale honoring John G. Little, who received the Legion of Honor from Louis de Corial, Consul General of France.
- D'Iberville Chapter supported veterans by giving a HAND UP not just a HANDOUT.
- Fort Mims reporting on the wars that the United States of America fought in. The Veteran's Memorial and Marker Dedication.
- Needham Bryan Chapter with Quilts of Valor.
- Tristan de Luna Chapter for their work at Eagles Landing.
- Hunts Springs, Pickens County, and Stephens Chapters participated in Honor Flight missions.
- Josiah Brunson for Three Hots and a Cot, and the St. Clair Count Patriot Monument Dedication.
- THANKS TO **ALL** ALABAMA CHAPTERS FOR YOUR HARD WORK! The ASDAR LOVES their Veterans.