

Bio – Nina Schloffel, Candidate for National Secretary



I, Nina Schloffel, am announcing my candidacy for re-election to the position of AVVA National Secretary.

While I am not a veteran, my family has a long history of service to our country. My grandfather and father were both Navy veterans and my brother is a Naval Academy graduate. The family tradition continues with my nephew, who, upon graduating from the Academy, was recently commissioned as an Air Force officer.

My husband, Air Force veteran Barry Schloffel served in Vietnam from 1968-1969. We have been together since 1995 and share 7 children, 11 grandsons and 1 great-grandson.

I retired from the telecommunication industry in 2000. In my 31 years with SBC/ATT, I held various management and supervisory positions, wrote both operational and system practices, and developed end user and field operations trainings.

During my tenure as AVVA National Secretary, I have been honored to work with an effective and dedicated board. Together, we have initiated or expanded a number of successful programs. However, proposed changes in AVVA's relationship with VVA require that we do more than just continue with our good works. To remain viable, AVVA must evolve.

I believe that as your National Secretary, I have served competently and with honor. I further believe that I have the skills, and the necessary commitment, to promote AVVA's successful transition. The next two years are critical to AVVA. I am asking for your vote so that as your National Secretary I may continue to serve you and the organization in ensuring AVVA's continued success.

Thank you for considering my candidacy.

NINA SCHLOFFEL – National Secretary

Personal Information:

- Married to Barry Schloffel. Together since 1995. Have seven (7) children, eleven (11) grandsons and one (1) great-grandson
- Husband Barry served with the US Air Force from 1963 – 1969. Vietnam service from 1968-1969, Thon Son Hut Air Base, Saigon
- First marriage, 1970-1984, was also to a Vietnam veteran.

Education:

- Pacific High School, San Leandro, CA
- Chabot College, Hayward, CA
- University of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA (completed requirements for BS in Organizational Behavior, need 24 lower division units to graduate)

Work History:

- Telecommunications Industry, Manager – Operations, Field and Staff, Manager – Operations Systems Design, Maintenance and End User Support: Pacific Telephone, Pacific Telesis, and Southwest Bell: 1969 -2000
- Consultant, Telecommunications Systems Design: 2001 (Southwest Bell)
- Consultant, Training: 2001- 2002 (Transportation Security Administration)
- Consultant, Training: 2002 - 2004 (Kaiser Permanente)
- Consultant, Mechanized Systems End User Support and Training: 2005 -(Kaiser Permanente, GSAA District)

Volunteer History:

- Assumption School PTG
- San Leandro Sun Devils Girls' Soccer – Statistician, Newspaper Liaison
- Moreau Catholic High School PTG, - Fundraising Committee, Committee Co-Chair - Annual Golf Tournament, Committee Chair - Annual Golf Tournament
- Mountain Women's Resource Center - Certified Peer Counselor, Crisis Line Volunteer, Domestic Abuse/Rape Emergency Response Team, Fundraising Committee
- Habitat for Humanity – Family Selection Committee, Secretary – Homeowner Support Committee, Family Liaison, Committee Chair – Homeowner Support, Trainer – New Homebuyers
- Community Collaborative Coalition of Tuolumne County (Behavioral Health).

Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America (AVVA) History:

- AVVA Member Chapter 391: 2006 – Present (Life Member)
- Secretary, California State Association: 2007 – 2014
- Chapter 391 AVVA Rep: 2008 – 2010
- Chair, National Disciplinary Committee: 2009 – Present
- Group Facilitator, AVVA Secondary PTSD Support, California Association 2009 - Present
- Vice President, California State Association: 2014 – Present
- Co-Chair, PTSD '2' (Secondary PTSD) Project: 2015 - Present
- AVVA Member of the Year: 2015
- Co-Presenter PTSD '2' (Secondary PTSD): 2015 Leadership and Education Conference, Tucson, AZ,
- 2017 National Convention, New Orleans, LA,
- 2018): 2015 Leadership and Education Conference, Palm Springs, CA