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## *Candidate for Region IV Director*

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I joined the Associated of Vietnam Veterans of America 15 years ago because I wanted to give back to our Veterans. My Father, both my brothers, cousins, nieces and nephews and my son have all served in our Military, and some still serving today. I am proud of each and every one of them and will do whatever it takes to help them, in whatever they need, as well as any Veteran needing help.

I have served as the Region IV Director for six years now and each time the Board of Directors get together for their BOD meetings we conquer new things. We have implemented several new programs over the last few years, worked on the P&P to bring it current with the changes. Its an honor to serve on the National Board of Directors and with the learning I have received in these past years I now have the knowledge to work on the tasks set forth.

I have attached a second page with my history with AVVA and other information telling you a little about me.

I look forward to serving you in 2019 – 2021.

***Jeri Wallis***

### **Education**

I graduated in 1981 from Center Moriches High School, Long Island NY

In 2009 I attended American Professional Institute and received my License as a Certified Medical Assistant.

### **Work**

I worked for Browning-Ferris Industries from 1987 to 2008 (21 Years). I worked in Operations, I was the Sales Admin, and worked in the sales dept for 14 years.

After I was laid off is when I went back to school and became a CMA.

I started my own business in homecare and worked for ten years taking care of Veterans and their family members in their homes. This was the most rewarding job I have ever had.

In 2017 – Present my nephew said he needed me to run his office for his business, the money was right so I accepted. And did my homecare on nights and weekends.

### **Volunteer History**

2005-2009 Chapter Rep for Gainesville Georgia Chapter #772

2008 Acting State Rep

2009-2014 Georgia State Rep

2012 Deputy Director Region IV

2013-2019 Region IV Director

2015-2019 VISTA Committee Chair

AVVA Life Member

I have attended 13 out of 15 National Conferences to be able to bring back to my Region any and all new information and learning materials.

### **Family**

I have 3 children Jay 31 (married to Alexandria and served 6 years in the ARMY, of which one year was spend in Kandahar Afganistan) He has now finished college and has his masters in Physical Education and also a history minor to teach History.

Kayla is 23 and is still exploring options on what she wants to do in life, seeing she is legally blind. She will get it all figured out.

Edna, 19 decided to get married out of High School and was married to Jason in November 2017. She is now expecting her first child in August 2019.

I have one grandchild (my sons daughter) Cheyenne and one on the way expected due date August 2019