



Seeking Re-Election of Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America National Region II Director **Bobbie Morris**



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I am Proud and Honored to be associated with a military family background. My father served in the United States Army (Big Red 1), my brother, a Vietnam Veteran, served with the Fourth Infantry Division, United States Army, in Vietnam and my husband, Philip, served in the United States Air Force (553rd Recon.) during the Vietnam Conflict. The tradition continues with my nieces and nephews who continue to serve.

Now widowed After 47 years of marriage to my wonderful husband Philip. We had one child and on the morning of June 1st, 2023, our remarkable special needs daughter Dara Rae joined her daddy in Heaven.

As a lifetime member of Associates of Vietnam Veterans (2001-2021) I believe in our mission; to work side by side with our Veterans and their Families.

As Region II Director, my goal is to continue to focus on the needs of our members by working closely with State and Chapter Officers and to represent Region II on the National Board.

For the past 25 years, I have worked closely with members to promote events and functions that have significantly benefitted veterans and the organization. My focus is to implement growth in membership, introduce short and long-term goals that will ensure that our future remains a perpetual and relevant organization and to enhance our legacy.

Throughout the pandemic, we have faced many challenges! Although difficult, together, we have persevered and maintained a "can-do" attitude in support of our Veterans and families. We will regain a sense of normalcy soon and I look forward to continuing with our in-person meetings. I miss you all! Thank you for your continued support and the opportunity to serve as your Regional Director.

Bobbie Morris

Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America (AVVA) History

Chapter:

- AVVA member of chapter 862, 2000- Present (Life Member)
- Fonder and Representative AVVA Chapter 862, 2001 – 2004
- President of Incorporated AVVA chapter 862, 2009 – Present
- Chair of Agent Orange program and Balloon Release 2009 – 2023
- Chair of our annual Agent Orange Poppies Awareness
- Educational symposiums: PTSD and secondary, Agent Orange Town Hall meetings.
- Co-Chair of Support Our Troops Rally
- Co-Chair of our Annual Chapter picnic

PA State Association:

- PA AVVA State Association President, 2014 – Present
- PA AVVA State Association Vice President, 2011 – 2014
- PA AVVA Treasurer, 2009 – 2011
- Chair, PA AVVA fundraising, 2009 – 2014
- Chair, of the PA AVVA Widows and Widowers Project, 2009-Present
- Chair, PA Agent Orange town hall at State Council
- Secretary, Pennsylvania Veterans Assistance fund (PVAf) 2011 – 2021
- AVVA PA Online meetings and phone conference calls working with our Representatives and Presidents.
- Attended PA State Meetings, 2002 - Present
- Special Advisor to AVVA Pennsylvania Veterans Assistance Fund

National:

- AVVA National Region 2 Director, 2019 – Present
- AVVA National Deputy Director, 2013 – 2019
- AVVA National Chaplin, 2019 – Present
- VVA – AVVA Advisor Agent Orange Committee, 2019 - Present
- VVA – AVVA Advisor Government Affairs, 2019 – Present
- AVVA Membership Committee, 2019 – Present
- Incorporation Chair, 2015 – Present
- Spousal and Survivors Benefits Committee, 2021 – Present
- Co-Chair survivors Benefits, 2019 – 2021
- Chair of the Condolence committee, 2019 – Present
- By-Laws Committee, 2019 – 2021
- Attend National Board meetings, Conventions, Leadership Conferences, Go to Meetings, and trainings. 2009 – Present
- AVVA Agent Orange Committee 2009 – 2015
- Filled in for National Membership
- Membership transfer and distribution of Membership reports
- Special Advisor to VVA Women's Health Committee
- Special Advisor to VVA Veteran's Health Committee