## Candidate Biography A.V.V.A. Region III Deputy Director

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AVVA Membership # 924533 (Life) AVVA Chapter 950, Inc. Dickson, TN

I am announcing my candidacy for the position of AVVA National Region III Deputy Director.

AVVA as an organization has promised to carry on the Vietnam Veterans Founding Principles: "Never Again will one Generation of Veterans Abandon Another".

I strongly believe in AVVA as an organization. Being an advocate and "VOICE" for all our veterans and their families.

The Regions will be responsible for making decisions that help move us forward for future responsibilities that we may be faced with.

Region III has been a leader and contributed greatly to the National board of directors. I would like to see Region III continue to lead in the future.

I believe my pass experience, serving as Region III Director on the National Board of Directors, two terms (2013-2017) and serving on several National Committees, will benefit me serving as Region III Deputy Director.

If elected I promise to do my best to fulfill the duties of Region III National Deputy Director.

Thank you for your Consideration.

**Beverly Founds** 

Beverly Pounds has a work history in Marketing and Sales with skills in business ownership, customer service, public relations, project management, employee management, event coordinating and leadership.

Beverly got involved with Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America after marrying her husband Jerry, a retired veteran, 21 years in the army with two tours in Vietnam.

She presently serves as Region 3 Deputy Director,
State President for the AVVA Tennessee Association Inc.,
Secretary / Treasurer for AVVA chapter 950 Inc.
She serves as co-chair for the National Spousal and Survivor Benefits Program

Beverly is a recipient of the AVVA Presidents Commendation Medal.

She has served as past Region 3 Director for two terms, past chair of the National Public Relation and Affairs Committee, past member of the National Strategic Planning Committee past member of National Election Registration Committee.

Served as AVVA Tennessee Association Inc. Vice President for two terms.

Past president for local chapter 950.

Beverly is very involved with veterans in her local community. Representing the veteran community on several local boards. Has served on the Veterans Day Activities Committee since 2006, Chairing the committee for over 15 years.

Beverly continues to communicate with State Representatives, State Senators and congressmen on Veteran families issues.

Since becoming a life member, she has become very passionate about the needs of our veterans and their families. In 2008 she organized and started an annual Military Spouse Benefit program for her local AVVA chapter. Other chapters followed and continues today with much success, so much so that National has made it one of our National Programs, "The Spousal and Survivor Benefits Program".