

Department of Colorado VFW

Fidelity | Fraternity | Philanthropy

These words will guide me through my year as the State Commander. Fidelity comes from the Marine Corps Motto, Semper Fidelis, and reminds me of the “unselfish comradeship and loyalty to our organization” set forth in our ritual. Fraternity represents our purpose “to assist worthy comrades, perpetuate the memory and history of our dead, and to assist their surviving spouses and orphans” as affirmed in our Charter. Philanthropy is the means by which we can accomplish our goals through the generous donation of our time and by utilizing the donations and grants from our supporters.

Biography

- USMCR 1985-1997
- Eligibility: Operation Desert Storm
- Police Officer/Paramedic 1992-2006
- Realtor/Managing Broker 2006-Present
- Post 1 Gold Legacy Life Member

Little-known facts

As a Chicago Police Officer, I spent three years investigating dog fighting and animal abuse. On a lighter note, in 1988, I was on the gameshow Scrabble with host Chuck Woolery.

Accolades

All-American Post Commander x3 | All-State Post Commander x2 | All-State Post Quartermaster x2 | Department Recruiter Award x2 | Meritorious Graduate MCRD, San Diego | Navy Achievement Medal | Illinois State Police Academy Valedictorian | Chicago Police Academy Outstanding Recruit | Chicago Police Department Commendation Medal

Vision

I believe by utilizing our programs, getting out in the community, and doing good deeds, we will grow organically as veterans and their family members will ask us how they can participate.

Not only am I confident the VFW in Colorado will “meet the challenge” of 102% in membership for the next three year but with the **proper mindset, the proper skillset, and a plan of action** we will in fact beat the challenge.

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