

**Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States  
Department of Florida**

**Past Department Commanders**

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| 1932-33        | Charles L. Boone*                        |
| 1933-34        | John W. Davis*                           |
| 1934-36        | Ira C. Hopper*                           |
| 1936-37        | John McNamara*                           |
| 1937-38        | Ben R. Shiver*                           |
| 1938-39        | Arch MacIntyre*                          |
| 1939-40        | J. C. Walton*                            |
| 1940-41        | Albert W. Simpson*                       |
| 1941-43        | A. S. Douglas*                           |
| 1943-44        | J. Ray Glover*                           |
| 1944-45        | Emerson Lee*                             |
| 1945-46        | Charles E. Morris*                       |
| 1946-47        | Gilbert W. Worm*                         |
| 1947-48        | James Y. Wilson*                         |
| 1948-49        | Herbert N. Evans*                        |
| 1949-50        | Robert J. Wallis*                        |
| 1950-52        | Edward W. Crews*                         |
| 1952-53        | Raymond E. Ford*                         |
| 1953-54        | William D. Morgan*                       |
| 1954-55        | Lee C. McAlister*                        |
| 1955-56        | Raney C. Whaley*                         |
| 1956-57        | Clarence E. Morrow*                      |
| 1957-58        | Charles A. Whiteacre*                    |
| 1958-59        | Sam Story* (Removed from the VFW)        |
| 1959-60        | Alex D. Littlefield, Jr.*                |
| 1960-61        | C. N. Merinkers*                         |
| 1961-62        | Therrie F. Holt*                         |
| 1962-63        | James M. Hiles*                          |
| 1963-64        | Thomas B. Glaze*                         |
| 1964-65        | Marold J. Benson*                        |
| 1965-66        | Samuel Friedenreigh*                     |
| 1966-67        | Robert M. Brockmann*                     |
| 1967-68        | Vance M. Watson*                         |
| 1968-69        | Howard M. Duncanson*                     |
| 1969-70        | John M. Carney *                         |
| 1970-71        | L. M. Van Winkle*                        |
| 1971-72        | Brooks D. Decker*                        |
| 1972-73        | Hollis B. Johnson*                       |
| 1973-74        | James E. Grahm*                          |
| 1974-75        | John Petit*                              |
| 1975-76        | Harold G. Schult*                        |
| 1976-77        | Ceil Branford* (Remove from the VFW)     |
| 1977-78        | Paul A. Calboun, Jr.*                    |
| 1978-79        | Al DeStefano*                            |
| 1979-80        | Raymond H. Prentice*                     |
| 1980-81        | John M. Burns*                           |
| 1981-82        | Paul J. Yohman*                          |
| 1982-83        | John C. Weiss*                           |
| 1983-84        | Lester W. Davis (No longer a VFW member) |
| 1984-85        | Edward H. Shuman*                        |
| 1985-86        | James R. Burkhart*                       |
| 1986-87        | George T. Kelley*                        |
| 1987-88 (7909) | John E. Hamilton                         |

127 Old South Drive, Crestview, 32536

\*Indicates deceased

### Past Department Commanders (Continue)

|                   |                                   |  |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| 1988-89           | James W. Carlisle*                |  |
| 1989-90           | Peter Puentes*                    |  |
| 1990-91           | Robert P. Loftus*                 |  |
| 1991-92           | Eugene R. Manfrey*                |  |
| 1992-93           | James DePass*                     |  |
| 1993-94           | Neil R. Ramsdell*                 |  |
| 1994-95           | Lawrence J. Martell*              |  |
| 1995-96           | Robert R. Wood*                   |  |
| 1996-97           | Normand R. Gaouette*              |  |
| 1997-98 (4337)    | Robert M. Sprute                  | 3665 S. College Avenue, Inverness 34452                        |
| 1998-99           | David G. Snyder* (Died in office) |  |
| 1998-00           | Harvey F. Eckhoff*                |  |
| 2000-01 (3559)    | Michael J. White                  | 105 Desoto Drive, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32169                   |
| 2001-02 (10174)   | Eugene LeShore                    | 5143 Emerson Avenue – South, St. Petersburg 33707              |
| 2002-03 (8203)    | Patrick J. Love                   | 2634 Crittendon Street, North Port 34286                       |
| 2003-04           | W. Joe Gault*                     |  |
| 2004-05 (7909)    | A.E. Gene Hall                    | P.O. Box 782, Orange Park 32067                                |
| 2005-06           | Robert Shepherd*                  |  |
| 2006-07 (10094)   | Larry R. Stover                   | 235 Jarvis Road, Cutler, Ohio 45724                            |
| 2007-08 (9610)    | Jack McDermott                    | 4444 Royal Fern Way, Palm Beach Gardens 33410                  |
| 2008-09 (10140)   | David L. Harris                   | 9851 Gilchrist Drive, Seffner 33584                            |
| 2009-10 (4364)    | Stephen R. Surface                | 12460 91 <sup>st</sup> Way North, Largo 33773                  |
| 2010-11 (4174)    | Pete Nichol森                      | 1631 SW 11 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Cape Coral 33991              |
| 2011-12 (1966)    | Daniel P. Duffy                   | 9140C SW 23 <sup>rd</sup> Street, Davie 33324                  |
| 2012-13 (5625)    | Wayne Carrignan                   | 11011 NW 92 <sup>nd</sup> Court, Chiefland 32626               |
| 2013-14 (2550)    | Chester Pyatt                     | 711 Kenmoore Court, Eustis 32726                               |
| 2014-15 (8205)    | T. Wayne Markham                  | 8906 Creek Run Road, Youngstown 32466                          |
| 2015-16 (8203)    | Amber L. Putnam                   | 18012 Coyote Creek Court, Parrish, FL 34219                    |
| 2016-2017 (4250)  | Alan Ayoubee                      | 2725 Turnbull Estates Drive, N. Smyrna Bch, FL 32168           |
| 2017-2018 (10097) | Kenneth “Ken” Corr                | 12181 Lucca Street #101, Fort Myers, FL 33966                  |
| 2018-2019 (9226)  | Danny Anderson                    | 466 Sunset Circle S., Ellenton, FL 34222                       |
| 2019-2020 (10174) | Tony Purdy                        | 2449 26 <sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Saint Petersburg, FL 33712 |
| 2020-2021 (7909)  | Glen Tilley                       | 22 Surfcrest Street, Saint Augustine, FL 32080                 |

\*Indicates Deceased

### Active Past Commanders of Other States

|           |                |   |
|-----------|----------------|---|
| Delaware  | Mike Farley    | 4135 101 <sup>st</sup> Avenue East, Parrish 34219 |
| Wisconsin | Edward Stockel | 15343 Yellow Wood Drive, Alva 33920               |