

VETERANS DAY

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THE SUN

November 9, 2022



From left, Penelope Bustamante, 9, Madelynn Bustamante, 11, and Adeline Guerrero, 9, hold a photo of Antonio R. Guerrero, U.S. Marine Corp, who served from 1968-1971.



Sherrill Alley
U.S. Air Force
1954-1962



Jay Anderson
Captain U.S. Air Force
1959 - 1966



Ed Artmann
Army



Staff Sgt. David Baier
U.S. Army - National
Guard 1970 - 1980



Ken Baker
Air Force



Miguel Bamberger
Army and Air Force



Cpl. Ken Bartoo,
USMC
1979 - 1983



Jay Beavers
U.S. Army, infantry,
Sgt. E-5, 1968-1969



Dr. Benold, Sr.
Air Force Surgeon
Korea



Edward Howard
Bergthal
Army, Retired 1977



Jim Berke, LtCol,
U.S. Air Force

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Bill Bigger
Marine Rsv.



Stanley Bland, Airman First, U.S. Air Force,
1961-1965 and Soc Trang, Vietnam -
Mekong Delta - Circa 1963. He is sitting on a
Napalm Bomb. Thankfully, it isn't armed.



Bill Boney
Army



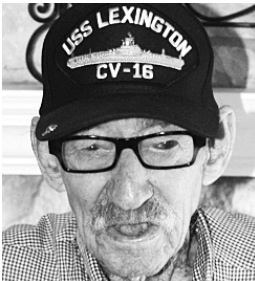
A father and son, Left, Max A. Booe, US Navy,
1990-2010, and Max J. Booe, US Navy 1964-1988



Col. Phillip Bookert
U.S. Army
1977-2006



Alan Brake
Army, Vietnam



Floyd Brake
U.S. Navy, WWII



Joe Brandmiller
Air Force



Reg Brockwell, U.S. Army 1968-1970



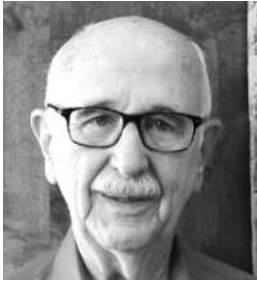
Robert Brown
Navy



Yeoman First Class
Marsha Bruhn



Col. Andrew T. Brunelle
US Army 1853-1956



Leon Buck



Delmar Burkett
Air Force



Mark D. Carey
Air Force 1988-2014



Terry Cassidy
Air Force 1954-1979



David J. Coy
USMC 1954 - 1957



LTJG Jonathan Dade, U.S. Navy

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Helmer W. Dahl
U.S. Air Force and Army
1942-1946



Jerome Dasso
Navy



Patrick Daum
Navy
1956 - 1959



Sue Davidson



Left: Maj. Adrian De La Cruz, U.S. Air Force,
2009-2020, and Maj. Luis Jimenez, U.S. Air Force,
2009-currently active duty



SSGT. Edward L. Dean
U.S. Air Force
1952 - 1960



Ellie Decker
Staff Sergeant
Air Force



Maj Adrian D. De La Cruz, Air Force, 2009-2020



George Dela Cruz
Army, 1968-1969



Raymond DeLeon
United States Army
1966-1968



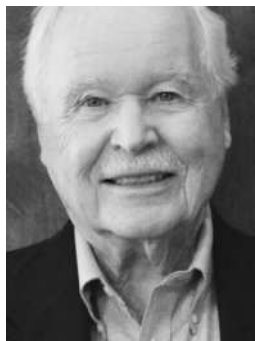
Christopher De Los
Santos, U.S. Army
1993-2000, Army
Reserves 2007-2008,
Texas Army National
Guard 2015-present



Jack Douglas
Air Force



Glenn Dunlap - Master
Sergeant Air Force
1953-1976



Tom Dynneson
Air Force



Chris Edwards
Army



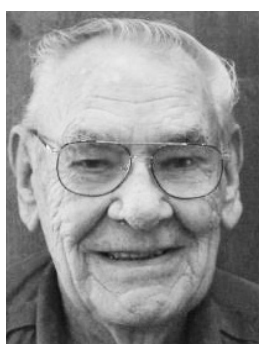
Greg Eng - Army Staff
Sergeant 1996-2008



Frank Espinosa, Jr.
U.S. Navy
1978 - 2002



Vernon Eubanks
LT U.S. Navy,
1959-1982



Roy Farley
Army / POW Survivor
(Korean War)



Charles Faubion
Corporal Merchant
Marines and Army WWII
Veteran 1944 - 1948



Gary Fierst
U.S. Army
Vietnam War



Bill Finney
Air Force



Gene A. Flowers
United States Army
1966-1972



1st Lt. Frank Flowers
Acton Minutemen,
Acton, MA
1980 - 1990



Bob Follestad
Army



David M. Foster
U.S. Army
1969-1972



Daniel Foust
Col. U.S. Army
1972 - 2002



James Lenoir Garner
Army 1945-1948



Vaden Gazaway
Naval Air Radioman
Korean War
1952-1956



Grant Gee
U.S. Navy
February 23, 1965
through February 28,
1993



Retired Chief Master
Sergeant Bill George,
retired 2005



SSgt. Ray Geurink U.S. Air Force 1965-1969
Vietnam 67-68, Tan Son Nhut AB, Saigon



CPL. Jimmy Tidwell
Marines 1961 - 1967
Base Camp Phu Bai Vietnam



Seward Gilbert
Air Force



Capt. Lucy Gill



First Lt. Richard Gill



Seaman Jerry Gilmore,
U.S. Navy 1959 - 1964



Chief Petty Officer
Eric Gordon
U.S. Navy
1989 to 2010



John and Ruth Gordon
1st Lieutenants US Army
John -- US Army Artillery 1966 to 1969
Ruth -- US Army Nurse Corp 1968 -- 1970



Richard Guerrero Jr
Vietnam War
Purple Heart



Antonio R. Guerrero
U.S. Marine Corp
1968-1971



Robert Hale
Navy



Davis Hallmark
Army



George L Hampton III
SPC 4



Herb Hanson
Naval Air
Korea 1951-1954



Christopher Hardt
Army 1989-2011
Bosnia, Iraq,
Afghanistan



James E Hedges
Chief Warrant Officer,
U.S. Army
1956-1976



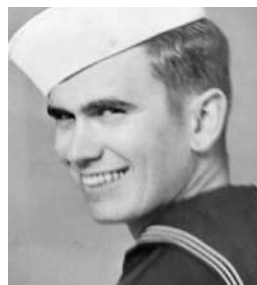
Stephanie Hernandez
Navy



Melvin G. Higdon
Army Air Corps
1945-1949



Lieutenant Peter C
Hilstrom U.S. NR
1962-1967
Vietnam 1965-1967



Charles M. Hipp
U.S. Navy
1966 - 1970



Bob Hogg
U.S. Air Force
1980 - 1986



Bill Hoglan
USAF/USAFR, 1966-1999



Hollier
Navy



David Hunt
Air Force



Edward E. Johnson
Ensign
1942-1946



Richard V. Johnson
Army
1957-1977



Bob Jones 1969 - 1995
Jerri Jones 1975 - 1995



Lynn Juhl
Marines



Bob Keels
Army Air Corps



Charles R. Keith
U.S. Marine Corps
1958-1978
Vietnam



George P. Kimbro
U.S. Army
D-Day WWII
Normandy Beach



Dennis Klenz
Army
1965-1967



Sgt. Dennis Kloubec,
U.S. Air Force
1966 - 1969



Howard Konetchy
Captain U.S. Navy



Ronald Larkin
Navy



Colonel Jason T Liddell
U.S. Army
1992-2021



David A. Lindell
Navy
1963-1968



J. T. Linebarger
United States Army
1940 - 1945



Capt John G. Lione
U.S. Air Force



Wayne Lovett
Army

Lopez Family



Tom Lopez
U.S. Air Force
1948-1968



Pete Lopez
U.S. Air Force
1952-1956



Julian Lopez
U.S. Navy
1954-1958



Isaac Lopez
U.S. Navy
1959-1963



Roy Lopez
U.S. Navy
1963-1967



Nick Lucatorto
Marines and Army



Al Luedecke
Air Force



John Spencer
"Jack" Maidlow
U.S. Army Air Corp,
World War II



Barbara J. MacMillan, LTC
U.S. Army, Second Armored Cavalry Regiment in Germany



Dennis Martindale
U.S. Air Force
1971 - 1991

Manasco Family



Oscar "Pat" Manasco
U.S. Navy
WWII



Roger D. Manasco
U.S. Navy
1967-1973



Shon J. Manasco
Army: West Point Class of 92
Air Force: 2017-2021



Garrison Commander,
Colonel Craig Martin
U.S. Army 1987-present



Lana Mault
U.S. Army
April 2003- May 2008
OIF 04 and 06-08



Michael Mault
Army
1987-2009



Recently-retired U.S. Army Sgt. Will Williams of Round Rock led the Parade of Colors for the opening ceremonies.

Georgetown's Field of Honor

Photos by ANDY SHARP



Major General Ronald Win Burkett, II, Commander of the National Guard's 36th Infantry Division, Camp Mabry, was the principal speaker for the Field of Honor opening ceremonies Sunday, November 6.



Anita Sybesma is briefly filled with emotion as she touches the flag dedicated to her father, World War II Army veteran Danny Crist, who was a member of the 96th Bomb Squadron and also a prisoner of war during that time. He died in 1995.



Robert Johns, a Rotary Club member from Temecula, California, was on hand to watch the arrival of the "Tunnel to Towers 9/11 Never Forget" mobile exhibit. The Field of Honor, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Georgetown, will be on display at San Gabriel Park throughout the week.



U.S. Army (Cavalry) veteran Mike Lavka, 82, a Sun City resident, visits the display.



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Ray Martinson
Navy



Ed McCrary
Navy
1952



CW4 Darrick McGill
U.S. Army
1992-present



Bill Melnar
Marines



G. Lee Meyners
U.S. Navy
1955-1958, 1959-1966



Buddy Miller



John Miller
Navy



George Mirabella
U.S. Navy 1954-1958, 1980-1996



Colonel Exley C. Mixon Jr.
U.S. Air Force,
WWII and Vietnam



Marsha Muntz Bruhn
Yeoman First Class
Navy 1975-1981



Terry D Nunn
Air Force
1959-1986



Shawn O'Shea
U.S. Navy, Submarine
1976-1986



Robert E. Odom
Chief Master Sergeant
Air Force 1955- 1985



PFC Nicolas Ortego
U.S. Army 2021-2022



Major General Leighton
Palmerton U.S. Air Force



Gary H Paluszcyk
U.S. Navy 1963-1966



Thaddeus J Paluszcyk
Army Air Corp 1942



Martin Parker - Navy, WWII,
Korean War 1944-1951



Frank Parks Fireman
U.S. Navy 1915-1918



Pvt. Walter F. Parks
U.S. Army 1915-1918

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Wade Pelton
Navy



Ronald Peters
Army Staff Sergeant
1983-2003



Charles Polk
Army
2005 - Present



Ethan Potter



Airman Karah Powell
U.S. Air Force 1983-1985



LTC(Ret) Merle E. Prinz
1946-1949 U.S. Army Air Corp
1962-1977 U.S. Army



Claude Proctor
Air Force



Bob Reed
Air Force



Richard Reitmann
U.S. Corp of Army Engineers



Lieutenant Colonel
Samuel P. Robino
USAF 2004 - Present



Captain James L. Robinson,
U.S. CG 1965-1994



Richard Rodriguez -
Army Air Corps

Rodriguez Family



Julio Martinez
U.S. Army
1917-1919



Roy Valero Rodriguez
U.S. Air Force 1947-1958
Tech Sgt
Navigator B-24 Bomber



Gary M Rodriguez
U.S. Air Force 1972-1976
SGT, Photo Reconnaissance
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U.S. Coast Guard
1989-2015



Roland Azua
U.S. Navy
1997-2001



Reuben Bradley
U.S. Navy
2003-2008



Dean Chennault
U.S. Navy
1999-2005



Codie Coleman
U.S. Army
2013-2017



Ben Collier
U.S. Air Force
2000-2006



Brigitte Contreras
U.S. Air Force
2006-2011



Branden Coughlin
U.S. Army
2001-2021



Charles Dale
U.S. Army National Guard
1997-2002



Uros Dzelebdzic
U.S. Army
2016-2021



Michelle Gattety
U.S. Air Force
1997-2020



Kathryn Gibson
U.S. Army Reserves
2000-Present



Jarrett Gilbert
U.S. Navy
2011-2015



Patsky Gomez
U.S. Army
1998-2016



Jeremy Graham
U.S. Army
2012-2017



Louis Hapshie
U.S. Marine Corps
1976-1996



Jordan Granberry
U.S. Marine Corps
2003-2011



Erik Grasse
U.S. Air Force
1986-1995



Matthew Henry
U.S. Army Reserves
2009-2021



Cherie Hernandez
U.S. Marine Reserves
1998-2006



David Hernandez
U.S. Air Force
1989-1999



Jorge Hernandez
U.S. Coast Guard
1993-retired
disabled veteran

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Monica Heyward
U.S. Army
2003-2008



Steven Hollenbeck
U.S. Marines 1986-1991
U.S. Army 2001-2005



Jeff Hottman
U.S. Air Force
1990-1997



Michael Howe
U.S. Navy 1994-1996
U.S. Army National
Guard 1997-2002



Dean Huard
U.S. Army
1989-Present



Korey Jackson
U.S. Army 2006-2010
National Guard 2010-2012



Matthew Kunkle
U.S. Army
2004-2013



Charles R. Lockwood III
(Trey)
U.S. Coast Guard
2000-2020



Anthony Mansfield
U.S. Navy
1971-1993



Wayne Nero
U.S. Marines
1989-1993



Jeremy Nutt
U.S. Navy
2003-2007



Neal O'Dell
U.S. Army
1989-1993



Erron Oliver
U.S. Army
2016-2022



Merrilee Paige
U.S. Navy
1983-2004



Edward Ramirez
U.S. Army Reserves
1992-1998



Christopher Saenz
U.S. Army
2008-2011



Alexander Spinn
U.S. Marine Corps
2012-2017



Timothy Stengle
U.S. Army National
Guard



Daniel Troyer
U.S. Army National Guard
2010-2017



Nathaniel Waggoner
U.S. Army
2003-2011



Roland Waits
U.S. Air Force
1986-1996



Trey Walters
U.S. Marines 1995-2008
U.S. Navy 2009-2015



Daniel Wiebe
U.S. Marine Corps
2011-2016



Anthony Williams
U.S. Army
2012-2017



Christopher Zeleny
U.S. Navy
2007-2014

Jose Moreno
U.S. Air Force
Currently Serving

Braiden Santos
U.S. Army
2015-2022

Robert Gordon
U.S. Army
1988-1991

Craig Sossner
U.S. Air Force
1988-1992



Allen Rogers
Navy Japan 1944



Randy J. Routson



Dr. Gary Kehaulanni
Sapp, Major U.S. Air
Force 1966-1992



Sgt. Gus T. Schneider
U.S. Army 1949-1951



Barry Scott
Army



Robert Shaw, Jr.
U.S. Navy
1954 - 1957



Mort Sheffloe - Army
Sergeant 1943-1945
WWII Battle of Normandy



James Shelton
U.S. Army Specialist
1954-1957



Lieutenant Colonel
Ernest A. Simon
U.S. Army 1957-1977



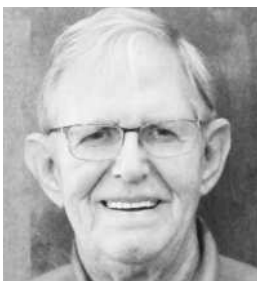
Louis A. Skrzypczynski
U.S. Army



Austin R. Smith
U.S. Navy 2010-present



Lt. Louin V. Smith
U.S. Army 1915-1917



Leonard Smith
Army

Steinke Family



Kristin M. Steinke
U.S. Air Force Major
1988 - 2008



Shane D. Steinke
U.S. Air Force Col
1995 - 2018



Roger H. Terzian Colonel
Army Air Corps 1940 - 1947
U.S. Air Force 1947 - 1970



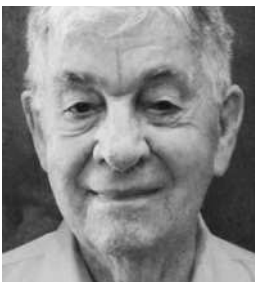
John G. Snowden
U.S. Marines
1953-1956



Bob Soulen
Army



Mel Staton
Army



Fritz Stelzar
Navy



Colonel Billy J. "Steve"
Stephenson Jr.
Air Force 1972 - 1998



Doris Stewart
Army Air Corps



Bob Stogdill
Air Force

A veterans picnic



In October, the six veteran organizations that met at VFW Post 8587 held a picnic for members and the first responders in the Georgetown area. The color guard from the Liberty Battalion of the Georgetown ISD NJROTC presented the national flag and the flags of all the armed forces. Guests dined on hotdogs and hamburgers.

Desserts were provided by the NJROTC Booster Club and sandwiches were donated by Schlotzsky's. First responders were invited to stop by and mingle with veterans and their families. The fire stations rotated their trucks and crews throughout the day along with EMS and the Georgetown Police Department. Women who had served in the

military were honored. Pictured are three of the women and the commanders of VFW Post 8587, American Legion Post 174, the Disabled American Veterans, the Submarine Base Central Texas, the Marine Corps League and the Military Order of the World Wars.

— Photo by Don Willhouse

Veterans service organizations host successful blood drive

By the end of the six-hour event held October 22, 40 people had stepped up to make a blood donation during a blood drive organized by Georgetown's VFW Post 8587 and assisted by American Legion Post 174.

A total of 28 pints were collected at the event. The organizations were given credit for collecting an additional 7 pints since the groups' prior blood drive held

in March.

Donations received will be distributed by nonprofit We Are Blood. The blood will help 41 hospitals and medical centers throughout 10 Central Texas counties.

The event was led by U.S. Submarine Veterans Inc. Central Texas Base. Frank Espinosa Jr. served as blood drive coordinator for all three veterans organizations participating.



A mobile blood collection site assisted Georgetown veterans service organizations during a blood drive October 20.

FRANK ESPINOSA JR.



Buddy Sutton
Navy



Evelyn L. Taylor
U.S. Navy
World War II



Robert Teague
Navy Seabees



Ted Acheson
Purple Heart



James Thompson
Marines, Korea



Tim Timko



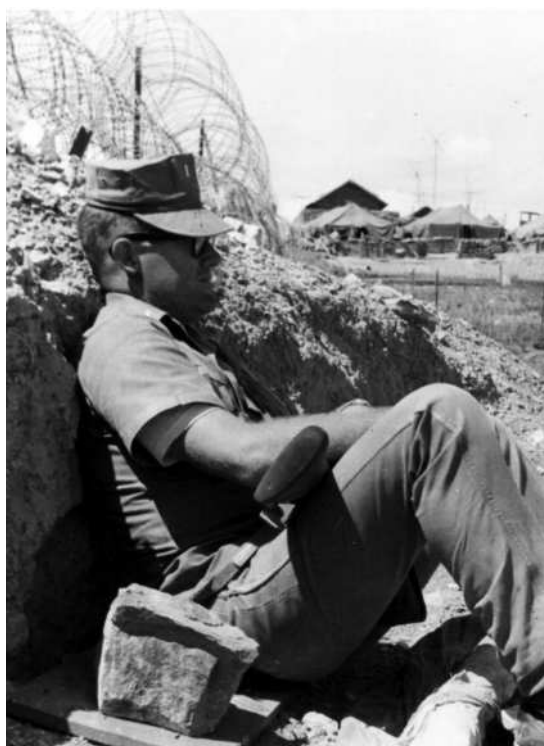
Alfred Truslow
Navy



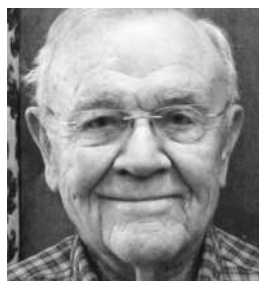
Ken Tupacz
U.S. Army,
Armor Branch
1966-1969



Robert Voss
U.S. Army
1972-1992



CB Wilson
Lieutenant U.S. Navy, Civil Engineer Corps.
1967-1970



Herb Wade
Navy



Lt. Colonel Isaac D.
"Buddy" Waugh
U.S. Army 1966-1998



Suzy White
Army



LTC Willhouse shown
as major. US Army
1967-1993.



Dick Wills
Marines



David Woerner
U.S. Navy 1967 - 1976
Vietnam War



Bob Woodson
Air Force



Bill Wright
U.S. Army
1966-1969



SPC Abran S. Yates
U.S. Army
2010-2015



Kendall Young
Navy

Community power couple with military stripes

Veteran's warrior art a form of healing, expression

Congratulations to Judith Estrada Garcia for her latest **ARTSCAPES** Ellen Greeney

national recognition coming from the Americans for the Arts, Arts & Military Connection September newsletter. Her art, "Viva! La Warrior" and "Warrior Up" were selected for the cover. They recognized the universal beauty of her artwork that is unique, colorful and bold.

She is the wife of Larry Raper, mother to three young men, Marine Corps veteran, MBA graduate from National University in La Jolla and MS in Human Behavior, art and gallery owner, curator of art exhibits and award winning artist.

Her distinguished 25-year career in the Marine Corps included serving as the first female Marine Crash Fire and Rescue woman at MCAS Cherry Point in 1982. She considered her life in the Marine Corps amazing with many wonderful, challenging and painful experiences.

Her art is a result of the transition from warrior to artist. The creation of her artwork is a highly emotional and personal experience parallel to life in the Marine Corps.

"When I create artwork I am able to externalize my symptoms of Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome as a result of Military sexual assault while in the Marine Corps," she said. "The externalizing of my symptoms is important because I am able to express my memories, feelings, and pain onto the canvas freely using colors and figures."

"I am able to transform deep rooted emotions and memories, which helps me heal."



"Viva! La Warrior" artwork was created by Judith Estrada Garcia.

She is self-taught in the mediums of oil, collage, acrylic, gouache and watercolor. She is also constantly exploring new mediums and techniques hoping that her paintings create, speak to others that may be experiencing the same pain and serve to heal them and/or to encourage them to use the creative process to heal themselves.

As a military veteran and Hispanic, she is keenly aware of and supportive of the Hispanic community's contributions to the military as service members and caregivers in military families.

Area vet lives to serve Georgetown community

Larry Raper retired from the United States Marine Corps after 21 years of service. Since then, he has found opportunities to help other service members.

FACE OF A VOLUNTEER

Ellen Greeney

He has been the treasurer and service officer for Chapter 239 of Disabled American Veterans for two years; served in the Rotary Club of Georgetown, Field of Honor Committee, Bunker Sub Committee for a year. He has been an Art Spark Texas board member for a year.

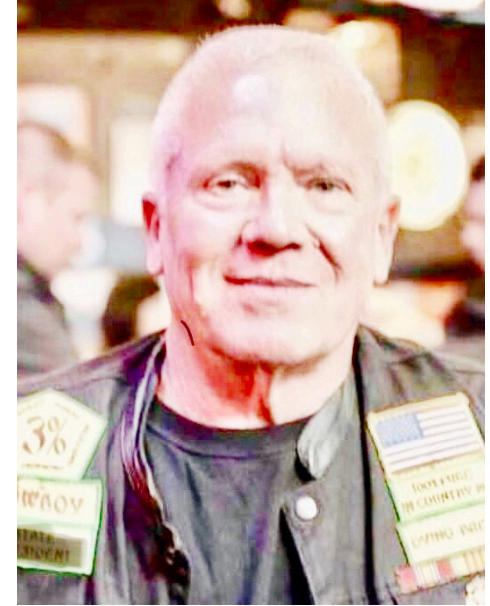
He has also been part of the In Country Vietnam Motorcycle Club for 17 years, serving as state president for nine years. This organization raises money to help veterans in different areas of veteran services.

He served as chair, Board of Commissioners, Georgetown Housing Authority for 13 years, Round Rock Arts Board Member for four years and a Share the Will Foundation board member for a year.

"Volunteering has an embedded sense of pride and gratitude," he said. "I am able to help my fellow veterans and my neighbors with the knowledge and skills I have been blessed with over the years."

Born in Stillwater, Oklahoma, he moved to Texas from Little Rock, Arkansas, to work as the Deputy Director, Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse in 2001. For 21 years, he has been the Manager of Environmental Health and Radiation Control Compliance for the Texas Department of State Health Services in Austin.

At 70, he lives comfortably in George-



Retired U. S. Marine Larry Raper continues to serve.

town with his wife, Judith Estrada Garcia, who also retired from the United States Marine Corps, three sons and five dogs. Their oldest son and daughter live in Gilbert, Arizona. He is the proud grandpa to four grandchildren. For fun, he rides his motorcycle, sings karaoke at the VFW and is a trained art mask maker and wood worker.

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Military Order of the World Wars

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MSG Ben D Snowden Post 8587

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**Williamson County
Detachment 1022**

Marine Corps League

Williamson County Detachment 1022

Meetings on last Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m.
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United States Submarine Veterans Central Texas Base

Meetings on 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m.
www.ussvicentraltexasbase.org • facebook.com/ussvicentraltexas



Disabled American Veterans Chapter 239 Ladislado Paredes

Meetings on 1st Monday of the month at 7 p.m.
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