

Carroll County Chapter # 85 Disabled American Veterans.

The Carroll County Chapter #85 Disabled American Veterans was chartered in Carrollton, OH June 21, 1939.

The charter members were:

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| Fred E. Thompson | O. Higno |
| Thomas L. Thompson | Harry L. Reich |
| Emerson Wood | Otto M. Wagner |
| George Crawford | Dean F. Rennie |
| Carl N. Thompson | Clarence M. Crawford |

WHAT IS THE DAV? WHO BELONGS?

. The Disabled American Veterans (DAV) is a nonprofit association of some 1.2 million U.S. military veterans who suffered some degree of disability while serving in time of war or armed conflict.

. Founded in 1920 and chartered by congress, the DAV is dedicated to a single purpose: building better lives for disabled veterans and their families.

. With headquarters offices in Cincinnati and Washington, the DAV focuses strictly on serving veterans and their families. A nonpartisan organization, it has no political action committees (PAC's) and neither endorses nor opposes candidates for political office. The DAV is totally funded by dues and contributions and receives no federal funding.

. The DAV continually fills openings on its professional and management staff with veterans disabled during recent armed conflicts, so we'll be around as long as you and other veterans need our free services.

SERVICES TO VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES

. To help you and your family get all the benefits you earned, the DAV maintains a corps of approximately 270 National Service Officers (NSO) in 72 offices across the United States and in Puerto Rico.

. There's never any charge for the assistance these veterans' benefits experts provide to you and your family. You don't have to be a DAV member to receive these free services, either.

. DAV NSO's are all service-connected disabled veterans themselves, so they understand where you're coming from.

. They offer counseling on veterans benefits administered by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), including disability compensation, health care, pension, survivors' benefits, employment rights, education and more.

. These highly trained professionals help folks like you assemble evidence needed to support claims for benefits, building their cases and preparing claim forms and benefits. They also present claims before government agencies, boards and appellate bodies.

. The DAV also provides disaster relief to disabled veterans affected by catastrophes such as tornadoes, hurricanes or floods.

. A national magazine, local chapters meetings, and other functions keep members up to date on issues affecting their rights. There's also a comprehensive package of member benefits, including price discounts and exclusive bargains.

. On the local level, DAV volunteers transport sick and disabled veterans from VA medical facilities for treatment.

. In addition, our volunteers annually contribute 2.5 million hours to veterans at VA hospitals. Through a variety of local programs, these dedicated volunteers reach into their communities, to help disabled veterans and their families.

ELIGIBILITY TO DAV MEMBERSHIP

Any man or woman impaired as a result of being wounded, gassed, injured or disabled in the line of duty, or who was a prisoner-of-war, during time of war, while serving in any of the armed forces in the United States or its allies, and whose discharge or separation was other than dishonorable is eligible to membership in the DAV.

BRIEF LIST OF SOME WHO ARE ELIGIBLE

1. Those who were wounded, gassed, injured or disabled in the line of duty during time of war, as substantiated by official notation on medical reports of the armed forces on a discharge certificate, or A.G.O. record.
2. All persons awarded the Purple Heart.
3. All persons with an SCD or CDD (medical discharge).
4. All persons who are receiving or ever did receive compensation from the Veterans Administration for a war-time service-connected disability.
5. All persons with a war-time service-connected disability of ANY degree (including those with a rating of less than 10 percent) officially so rated by the Veterans Administration.

6. All persons awarded vocational training because of injury or disability resulting from war-time service.

All persons retired for disability incurred during time of war.

8. All persons drawing the statutory award for arrested or cured tuberculosis of war-time service origin.

9. All persons who were prisoners-of-war.

ELIGIBILITY: TIME OF WAR

"During Time of war," shall include the following period of service:

World War I:.....April 6,1917 to July 2, 1921

World War II & Korea:..... September 16, 1940 to January 31, 1955

Vietnam and other engagements:.....January 31, 1955 to October 14, 1976

Iranian Crisis, Lebanon Crisis, Invasion of Grenada,

Invasion of Panama and other engagements:.....November4, 1979 to January 31, 1990

Persian Gulf Crisis, Somalia, Haiti, Bosnia,

or other crisis:.....August 2, 1990

until terminated by

President Proclamation

or Congressional Resolution.

However, the requirements "During time of War" will also be met if it is determined that the applicant's wound, injury or disability was incurred at any time (1) as a direct result of armed conflict, or (2) while engaged in extra-hazardous service under conditions simulating war, or (3) while the United States was engaged in any war.

THE DAV AUXILIARY:

Who we are and what we do . . . for you.

WHAT IS THE DAV AUXILIARY?

A nonprofit association founded in 1922 by women who saw the need for assistance to the families, widows and orphans of disabled veterans, as well as the veterans themselves. Over 1,000 auxiliaries have now been established across the country.

The national Auxiliary programs are not funded by the United States government, but depend totally on dues and contributions of its membership.

- . The DAV Auxiliary is nonpolitical and does not endorse political candidates.
- . National Headquarters is located in Cold Spring, Kentucky.

WHO CAN BELONG?

- . Spouse, surviving spouse, parents, siblings, children, grandparents, grandchildren, and great grandchildren of veterans who were disabled or died in military service, as well as veterans who belong to the DAV.
- . Children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren of Auxiliary members, who are under 18, may also belong to the Auxiliary's Junior Organization.
- . No honorary or social members".

Disable American Veterans

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