



# KENTUCKY VETERANS HALL OF FAME

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Kentucky Association Of Counties - Kaco  
kaco.org

KACO held it's 2024 Conference at the Galt House in November. HB Deatherage spoke to an estimated 1,000 attendees during one of their sessions about the KVHOF.



Board members Howard Hunt, Eric Shrader, Judi Deatherage and Terry Vannarsdale (assisted by his wife Debbie) manned a booth where an estimated 500 attendees visited and were told about the KVHOF.



Board members manned the booth from November 12th through the 14th. Tiring but worth the effort.

### Banquet Photographs

If you had a photograph taken at the banquet you can go to: <https://my.photoday.com/g/KVHOF24>  
Put in your cell phone number. Next type in the code: KVHOF24. Select: All Photos (1471)





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### CLASS OF 2022



#### CSM Delbert (Del) L. Hoskins

Allen County, nominated by Janette Temple, served in the US Army in the Desert Shield/ Desert Storm.

During his 32 years of service in the US Army and continuing after retirement, Del Hoskins has been very involved in and has held leadership positions in veteran-focused advocacy programs, including the 1st Infantry Division Association, the Association of the US Army, and the VFW. Serving as a compassionate mentor to veterans, school-aged children and those in need, Del freely gives of his time, talents, and personal resources to make a big difference in the lives of others.



#### Captain Harold B. Leasure, Sr. (posthumus)

Hopkins County, nominated by Eric Shrader, served in the US Army in World War II.

Harold Leasure, despite multiple surgeries for severe war injuries, was able to begin an exceptional career of community support and service. He worked tirelessly assisting veterans through employment at his family's business and via his leadership at the local VFW. He was instrumental in establishing a youth football league in Hopkins County, serving as the league's commissioner for several years. He also coordinated picnics and parades which helped foster a greater sense of community pride. Harold was a true American patriot.

### Alumni Dues

Alumni dues are set at \$25 a year. If you have previously paid a lifetime membership dues you can disregard this. We have set future lifetime dues at \$250.

The dues go towards the ceremonies, banquet and inductions each year.

Thank you, Terry.  
[terryvannarsdale@gmail.com](mailto:terryvannarsdale@gmail.com)

### Reminder

Your induction into the KVHOF was in honor of your volunteerism. If you are able, please continue your volunteerism in an organization of your choice. Continue your community service.

### Your KVHOF

This is your Alumni Association. We value your opinions and suggestions. If you can help spread the word about the Kentucky Veteran's Hall of Fame, it is appreciated.

Nominations for inductees are now accepted all year round. Applications can be downloaded at:  
[www.kyveterans.org](http://www.kyveterans.org)

If you have information about veteran's events that you would like to share with other veterans across the state, please send them to: [terryvannarsdale@gmail.com](mailto:terryvannarsdale@gmail.com)

I will be happy to send it in the next newsletter or if it is time sensitive I will send it via email to all alumni.

The KVHOF is a 501(c) (3) organization. Donations may be sent to KVHOF, PO Box 1446, Florence, Ky, 41042. Your donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.





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### 2025 Schedule

Nominations need to be in by December 31<sup>st</sup> for consideration of induction in 2025. 25 inductions in 2025.

Below is the schedule of meetings for 2025. Time is 11 am.

#### Meeting Dates:

January 10 <sup>th</sup>	February 14 <sup>th</sup>	March 28 <sup>th</sup>
April 11 <sup>th</sup>	May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	June 27 <sup>th</sup>
July 25 <sup>th</sup>	August 1 <sup>st</sup>	Sept 5 <sup>th</sup> , 6 <sup>th</sup>
October 17 <sup>th</sup> (Luncheon)	November 21 <sup>st</sup>	

August 1<sup>st</sup> (Parachute Jump) introduction of inductees for 2025.

September 5<sup>th</sup> is banquet, September 6<sup>th</sup> is induction.

### Breakdown of KVHOF (Alumni as of November 2024)

Alumni: 271    Deceased: 57  
Officers: 77    Enlisted: 31    NCOs: 163

Males: 253    Females: 18

Army: 160    Navy: 29    USMC: 43  
USAF: 38    Coast Guard: 1    Space Force: 0

Honorary Members: 20  
Male: 7    Female: 13

Two counties have been added to our list of counties with alumni. We now have 55 out of 120 Kentucky Counties with alumni.

### Board of Directors



Judi Deatherage

Judi is the newest member of the Board of Directors for the Kentucky Veterans Hall of Fame. Judi Deatherage a graduate of Eastern Kentucky University. She is a life-long resident of Northern Kentucky. She currently lives in Villa Hills with their three children and grandchildren nearby. In addition to her enthusiasm for teaching how to make, keep and save money, Judi and her husband love to travel. Judi, the author of several published short stories, is working on a children's book. Having dedicated her life to teaching high school accounting and finance in Northern Kentucky. Judi uses her skills to educate teens and young adults about money in her first book, "Who Wants To Be A Millionaire". Judi has a passion for all teens and young adults to understand the basic principles of finance. Judi is the wife of the CEO/Founder of the Kentucky Veterans Hall of Fame





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### Veterans Events Throughout the State



**Louisville MSD Vet Day Celebration**



**Henderson Horses for Heroes**



**St. Elizabeth Hospital Veterans Luncheon, Edgewood**



**Rodney Bell Veterans Day Luncheon at school**





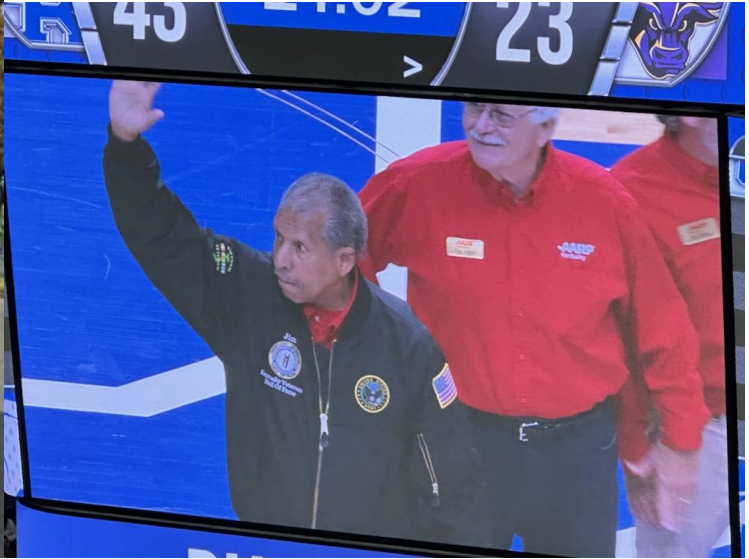
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Wilmore Ky Veterans Day Parade



Jim Thurman Introduced at UK Game



Whitesville Elementary.  
Veterans Day-KY National Guard, 206th Eng Battalion with  
Miss Kentucky, Chapel Tinius



KY VETERANS DAY PARADE ROLLS THROUGH DOWNTOWN LOUISVILLE

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