



Blount County Veterans Affairs Committee

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Good evening, Lauri,

I'm writing this email to you in regard to being reappointed to the Blount County Veterans Affairs Committee.

I was appointed to the committee to represent Amvets Post 22 of Blount County 2021. With the passing of our last Chair Mike Kennedy in September 2024, the committee elected me to serve as the Chairman at the February 2026 meeting. During this time, I have learned we base our support and recommendations on what's in the best interest of the veteran, their family and the county. We look at the possible short term and long-term outcomes before we make decisions. What works today may not be the best long-term solution. This committee truly cares about our veterans and we take this responsibility seriously.

One accomplishment this past year was the committee's involvement in developing the first set of guidelines for the **"Placement of Monuments, Memorials, Plaques and Markers"** for Blount County. An application was also developed to obtain information that is needed to make an informed decision. This was accomplished working with the **United Veterans of Blount County, the county commissioners and the mayor's office.**

A little history about myself:

- **Past Commander of Amvets Post 22 (Blount County)**
- **Past Commander of the United Veterans of Blount County**
- **2025-2026 Amvets Department of Tennessee State Commander**
- **2025-2026 VFW Post 5154 Senior Vice Commander**
- **2025-2026 United Veterans of Blount County Junior Vice Commander**
- **2025 Blount County Veterans Affairs Committee Chairman**

I truly enjoy working with the Veterans Affairs Committee members, our Veterans Service Office staff and the local veteran organizations to make Blount County a great place for veterans to live and when needed, they have the best Veterans Service Office to assist them with their needs. I would be honored to continue to serve on the Veterans Affairs Committee for another term.

Please add my request to the agenda for November. Thank you!

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