



Disabled American Veterans (DAV)

Made up exclusively of men and women disabled in our nation's defense, the Disabled American Veterans are dedicated to one single purpose: **Building better lives for all of our nation's disabled veterans and their families.**

This mission is carried forward by:

- Providing free, professional assistance to Veterans and their families in obtaining benefits and services earned through military service that is provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs and other agencies of government
- Providing outreach concerning its programs services to the American people generally, and to disabled Veterans and their families specifically
- Representing the interest of disabled Veterans, their families. Their widowed spouses and their orphans before congress, the White House, and the Judicial Branch, as well as state and local government
- Extending the DAV's mission of hope into the communities where these Veterans and their families live through a network of state-level Departments and local chapters
- Providing a structure through which disabled Veterans can express their compassion for their fellow veterans through a variety of volunteer programs.

The following are the programs the Grand Forks Chapter supports:

- Volunteers at the Grand Forks Veterans Administration Clinic
- Provide Honor Guard Memorial Services for any Veteran
- Hospital visitation for DAV members
- Memorial and Veteran's Day Ceremonies
- Annual Chapter Picnic for Veterans and their families
- Annual chapter visits to the North Dakota Veterans Home for summer picnic/bingo and Thanksgiving visitation and bingo for residents
- Support Grand Forks Air Force Base First Sergeants Operation Warm Heart
- Support the ND Guard of Families of Deployed Veterans
- Fargo VA Medical Center Hospital Service Coordinators
- Support the Veterans Memorial Park, Grand Forks ND
- Gift cards to support activities at the Lisbon Veterans Home
- Gift cards to support VA volunteer services
- Support Wounded Warrior Guide Service Activities

- Financial support for PTSD Dogs for ND Disabled Veterans
- JR Army ROTC Award Program for Outstanding Cadets
- UND Army ROTC Award Program for Academic Excellence
- Jerome Krejci Memorial Scholarship \$ 1,000.00 for Outstanding UND Army ROTC Program Cadet
- Support the ND Transportation Program for Veterans vans at VA Hospital

Onetime Lifetime Membership fee determined by age.

Membership Benefits:

As a DAV Member, in addition to our programs and free services, you are entitled to Member Benefits Package, which gives you access to a variety of important programs, products and services. Also included with your membership is a FREE subscription to the DAV Magazine published monthly.

What does the DAV do for you?

- **Helps returning Veterans transition back to civilian life by linking them with services that address their physical, emotional, and financial needs**
- **Provides FREE, professional assistance to Veterans of all generations in obtaining VA and other government benefits earned through their service**
- **Fight for Veterans' rights on Capitol Hill in Washington DC**
- **Links Veterans to job training and job assistance programs**
- **Funds rehabilitation programs for Veterans with severe disabilities, such as blindness or amputation**

Who is eligible?

Any man or woman:

- **Who served in the armed forces during a period of war or under conditions simulating war, and**
- **Was wounded, disabled to any degree, or left with a long-term illness as a result of military service, and**
- **Was discharged or retired from military service under honorable conditions**

Meetings: 2nd Wednesday of each month (September through May) @ 7:30PM at American Legion Club, East Grand Forks, MN.

Meal is available at 6:30 PM prior to each meeting

The Chapter Annual Picnic is each June @ 6:30pm at Lincoln Park. Date will be announced each May.

William Bonner

Commander (2022-2023)

Grand Forks DAV (Andy Nomland Chapter # 2)