

Scott W. Huffman

Candidate for Department Surgeon 2023-2024



Scott W. Huffman is a native of the Ozarks in Southern Missouri. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in 1983 and began active duty May 16, 1984, four days after graduating from Ava High School.

Scott served over twenty-seven years on active duty with fourteen years enlisted service and thirteen years as a Warrant Officer/Chief Warrant Officer, retiring as a Chief Warrant Officer Five on September 1, 2011.

His VFW eligibility stems from being awarded four Combat Action Ribbons and campaign medals for OPERATION DESERT STORM (Kuwait), OPERATION JOINT GUARDIAN (Kosovo), OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM (Afghanistan) and OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM (Iraq). He is the recipient of numerous personal, service and unit awards as well as the Navy-Marine Corps Parachutist Badge.

Scott is a 2001 graduate of Campbell University, North Carolina, with a Bachelor of Science Degree, summa cum laude. He is also a 2005 graduate of Old Dominion University, Virginia, with a Master of Science Degree.

He comes from a long line of military veterans dating to the American Revolution and War of 1812. His late grandfather was a World War One veteran and early member of the Ava VFW. His late father, was a Korean War veteran and past All-State Post Commander for Ava Post 5993.

Scott has been married to the former Gail Hart since 1988. Scott and Gail have three children, Benjamin, Mariah and Jarrett. Benjamin is former Army Airborne and his wife Elizabeth is still serving in the Army. Mariah and her husband Matthew are both educators. Jarrett is a Staff Sergeant in the Marine Corps. Benjamin, Elizabeth and Jarrett are all lifetime members of the VFW and are with Ava Post 5993.

Scott has been a Life Member of Ava VFW Post 5993 since 1994. He has served in a variety of Post and District positions, most notably four term All-State Post Commander, three term District Commander including All-American District Commander. Appointed National Aide-de-Camp. Member of the National Committee on Veterans Services Resolutions at the 123rd National Convention. Currently serving as District 18 Inspector, District 18 VFW Riders Chairman and Post 5993 Recruiter and Boy Scouts of America Chartered Organization Representative for Post 5993. He is a member of American Legion Post 112.

Scott promises to fulfill all duties and responsibilities of the Department Surgeon, including visits to all Veterans Homes in the State of Missouri and as many VA clinics and hospitals as possible. He will do his best to do his duty for the Department and for ALL veterans in the State of Missouri. He is passionate about teamwork and believes strongly in working together – VFW and Auxiliary!

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