



Tim Dollins

Candidate for Department Surgeon

VFW Department of Missouri

Tim Dollins enlisted in the Missouri Army National Guard in 2005 with the 203d Engineer Battalion. It was his deployment to Afghanistan in 2009–2010 conducting route clearance and convoy security operations that earned him his place in the VFW family. He joined in 2015, and it didn't take long for people to notice the kind of leader he is. At the Post level, he held the positions of Jr. Vice Commander, Quartermaster, and Post Commander — a term that earned the Post both All-State and All-American honors. He carried that same drive to the district, holding the positions of Trustee and Chief of Staff before being elected District 7 Commander, where he again earned All-American recognition.

Tim was also twice appointed Aide de Camp to the Commander-in-Chief (2023–2024 and 2025–2026). In 2026, he was honored to serve on the General Resolutions Committee at the National Convention, helping shape the policies that guide our organization's advocacy nationwide.

Tim's commitment to veterans doesn't stop at the Post or District line. He currently serves on State Senator Jill Carter's Veterans Advisory Council, and he's been busy encouraging other elected officials and fellow VFW members around the state to start similar councils of their own — because he believes veterans deserve a seat at the table wherever decisions about their care are being made.

That same belief is why Tim is stepping up to run for Department Surgeon: to be a real voice for Missouri veterans' health and hospital care, to strengthen the Department's hospital visitation and wellness programs, and to keep building the kind of relationships in state government and beyond that actually move the needle for our comrades.

Now in his second year as District Commander, Tim has built genuine relationships with Post, District, and Department leaders across Missouri — and he's ready to bring that same heart and hustle to serve the Department as a whole.