

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE



Dear American Legion Post 136 Family,
We had gone two months without a single Post Everlasting transfer earlier in the year, but more recently we have had five reported passings.

Michael G. Ford, a resident of College Park and a longtime American Legion member, passed away on May 9th. We sent a Memorial Card to Michael's family. Former Greenbelt Post 136 member, Gary "Pete" Aldridge passed away on June 14th in Salisbury. A Memorial Card was sent to his family residing in Selbyville, Delaware. Our Post was also notified of the passing of Bogie Williams, Jr., a Korean and Vietnam War veteran, who had been awarded the Purple Heart. Although a Cheverly Post 108 member, Post Commander Mike Moore and yours truly were only too happy to conduct his Legion Service at the Jericho Church in Landover as was requested by Mr. Williams' oldest daughter. On July 21st, a Legion Service was conducted for Ralph Edinger, an Army veteran, at Gasch's Funeral Home; and on July 27th, a celebration of life for Paul Wienand, a Navy Korean War Era veteran, was held before a packed Gasch's Funeral Home, and his repast was held at the Post the following day. May all the departed Rest in Peace.

"PLEASE CONTACT THE CHAPLAIN IF YOU KNOW OF A COMRADE
ILL OR TRANSFERRED TO POST EVERLASTING"

Prayer for the Bereaved:

Eternal God, we call upon You on behalf of all who mourn for the loss of those near and dear to them. Be to those in sorrow a strong support for their loneliness and a comforter in their time of grief. Be ever near them, draw them into closer fellowship with You, and grant them sure trust and confidence in Your heavenly care.

Amen

God Bless you All and God Bless Our Country.

Sincerely,
Mike Duggan
Greenbelt Post 136 Chaplain



MANAGER'S MESSAGE

Greetings to all Post 136 Members,

Thanks to all of you who have congratulated or welcomed me in my new position as General Manager of Post 136. I am probably not new to most of you as I have been a member of this post 45 years. Most recently served as Bookkeeper and Assistant Manager.

Remember my door is always open for your ideas and comments. (I have had many comments about the excellent service & food in our restaurant and I want to thank everyone for letting me know how pleased you are.) I'll be putting a suggestion box and paper outside of the office doors. Please feel free to give me your ideas on paper if I am busy or not around.

We have a new Food and Beverage Manager, Brian Crabell. Stop by and say 'hi' to him when you have time. He will be focusing on hall rentals and the restaurant.

We also have a new Bookkeeper, Amanda Beavers, she is part-time and also waitresses once a week. She is attending UMUC, studying Accounting.

We've had a busy month of activities and I want to thank all of our members who volunteer for so many of them – cooking, serving, mailing, etc. I would like to thank everyone by listing them here but I am afraid that I would probably miss some of you. September 4th, we will have our Labor Day picnic and volunteers are always welcome to make it a great event.

Finally, congratulations to Steve Messer on his retirement.

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