



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **SOUTH CAROLINA WOMAN NAMED DAV AUXILIARY MEMBER OF THE YEAR**

WASHINGTON—The DAV (Disabled American Veterans) Auxiliary has selected Rosa Lee Knox of Myrtle Beach, S.C., for the Past National Commander's Member of the Year Award. The award recognizes her contributions and dedication as an outstanding member of the Auxiliary whose efforts enhance the goals of DAV, Auxiliary and community activities for veterans. The honor will be bestowed at the 92<sup>nd</sup> DAV National Convention Aug. 10-13 at the Hilton Orlando Hotel in Orlando, Fla.

Knox, a member of Auxiliary Unit 30 in Myrtle Beach., is a lifetime member with 22 years of service on behalf of injured and ill veterans. She is her Unit's Adjutant and the Auxiliary Department of South Carolina's 1st Junior Vice Commander.

"Rosa is selfless, dedicated and has shown through her unfaltering service that she is among the Auxiliary's greatest assets -- truly an example of what makes the organization great," said Auxiliary National Commander Donna Adams.

"She is being recognized for children's advocacy, caring for veterans' graves and devoting herself to helping veterans and their families," Adams said

Knox recently initiated a local cemetery committee, identified veterans' graves and obtained funds to purchase and install headstones to properly mark them. She also recruited volunteers to tend to the graves.

She also volunteers at nursing homes and homeless shelters, preparing meals, driving the needy to appointments and organizing group events. "If there is a veterans' event in her area," said Commander Adams, "one could safely expect to find Knox there handing out flags and information about DAV and the Auxiliary."

#### **About DAV**

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