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FROM: Barry A. Jesinoski, National Adjutant

DATE: Jan. 12, 2026

SUBJECT: UPDATED - Death of NSO Assistant Supervisor Kevin Noel

It is with deep sadness that I advise you of the death of Kevin Noel, the national service office assistant supervisor in Pittsburgh. He passed away Jan. 8, 2026.

Kevin, a service-connected, disabled Army veteran of the Gulf War, enlisted in January 1988 and served until his discharge in December 1996.

He began his professional journey with DAV in May 1999 as a member of Class 8 of our national service officer training academy in Denver. He spent the first seven years of his career as an NSO including supervisory positions in Atlanta; Nashville, Tennessee; and Togus, Maine. He was then transferred to Pittsburgh in 2006 where he worked for nearly two decades.

Kevin was a passionate advocate for veterans who never tired of the work. During the Covid pandemic, he was recognized by then-National Service Director Jim Marszalek for his commitment to his fellow veterans, making and taking an extremely heavy volume of phone calls to ensure they got the help they needed, even as offices were closed.

He always said that he saw his role as an extension of his military service. "I'm taking care of you, and the little things take care of themselves," he'd liked to tell veterans and survivors he assisted.

Kevin's presence will be missed throughout this organization. He leaves behind a legacy of honorable service and unwavering dedication to helping others.

Visitation hours will be on Wednesday, Jan. 14 from 11 am-1:30 pm at Beinhauer-Fryer Funeral Home. A celebration of life service will immediately follow. The address is: 430 Washington Ave., Bridgeville, PA 15017. A graveside service will take place at 2:30 pm at the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies at 1158 Morgan Rd., Bridgeville, PA 15017.

A second celebration of life will be held at a later date in Maine.

You can read his obituary [here](#).

May he rest in peace.

Sincerely,

Barry A. Jesinoski
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