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TO: National Executive Committee

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FROM: Barry A. Jesinoski, National Adjutant

DATE: October 25, 2023

SUBJECT: Death of National Service Officer, Michael Shaw

It is with deep sorrow that I advise you of the unexpected death of Michael Shaw, Assistant Supervisor of the DAV national service office in Cleveland, Ohio. He died on October 24, 2023. He was 44 years old.

Mike enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve and served as a mortarman from 1998-2006, which included a deployment to Iraq. He transitioned to the Army in 2006, where he supported his fellow soldiers in food services for six years, including a deployment to Afghanistan.

DAV hired the service-disabled veteran in 2015 as a national service officer apprentice in Cleveland. After completing training in 2016, Mike rose through the ranks and became the office's assistant supervisor in May 2023.

A life member of Chapter 42 in Lake County, Ohio, he dedicated his life to serving his country and his fellow veterans. While his time was cut far too short, we were lucky to have Mike on the DAV team. He leaves behind a legacy of compassion for the men and women who served and will be a guiding light for those who come after.

A viewing is scheduled from 2-8 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 27, and his funeral services are scheduled for 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 28. Both at:

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home 8466 Mentor Ave. Mentor, Ohio 44060

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to Carolyn (wife), Arianna (daughter), Dylan (son), and Sabrina (daughter)

We are immensely thankful for his contributions and proud of his accomplishments. DAV grieves along with his family.

May he rest in peace.

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Barry A. Jesinoski National Adjutant

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