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TO: National Executive Committee
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FROM: Barry Jesinoski, National Adjutant

DATE: May 4, 2026

SUBJECT: Death of Retiree Robert Petzold

It is with regret that I advise you of the death of retiree Robert Petzold, who died March 29 at 94.

Robert began his DAV career in 1961 and held multiple national service officer positions in the DAV office in Milwaukee. He retired in 1987.

Robert was a proud member of Chapter #90 in Gainesville, Florida. He is survived by his wife, LaVerne; grandson Jeffrey Griffin and granddaughter Elizabeth Saula; daughter-in-law Donna Petzold; and son-in-law John Mazzone, as well as many nieces, nephews and friends.

He will be interred in the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell. A military burial will take place on a date and time that's yet to be determined.

Messages and remembrances can be sent to 5200 SW 25th Blvd., Unit 420, Gainesville, FL 32608.

We are deeply grateful for Robert's service and enduring contributions. DAV grieves alongside his family and the many veterans and families he supported throughout his dedicated career. May he rest in peace.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Barry A. Jesinoski', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Barry A. Jesinoski
National Adjutant

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