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

DATE: Oct. 16, 2026

SUBJECT: Death of James M. Bailey

It is with deep regret that I inform you of the passing of James M. Bailey, DAV national executive committeeman and past commander of the DAV Department of Ohio. Jim died Oct. 9, 2026, at his home in Brilliant, Ohio. He was 77.

An Army veteran of the Vietnam War, Jim served with the 25th Infantry Division. Following his military service, he continued serving his community as a police officer in Jefferson County, Ohio, for 23 years before retiring in 1995.

Jim was a life member of DAV Chapter 117 in Bellaire, Ohio, and held numerous leadership positions within our organization. He is a past commander of the Department of Ohio and represented District 11 on DAV's National Executive Committee. His commitment to our cause and his fellow veterans reflected a lifetime of service to others.

Jim was preceded in death by his daughter, Heidi Caldwell; son, Benjamen H. Bailey; and granddaughter, Hannah Bailey. He is survived by his sons, James A. Bailey and Erik Bailey; daughter, Tammy Frazer; four brothers; a sister; 16 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren, with another on the way.

Jim was laid to rest on Oct. 16 at the New Alexandria Cemetery, New Alexandria, Ohio.

For those who wish, condolences may be mailed to:

James Bailey Family
119 Lawrence St.
Brilliant, OH 43913-1121

Jim's dedication to our organization, his community and the veterans we serve will not be forgotten.

Please keep his family and loved ones in your thoughts and prayers as we mourn his passing. May he rest in peace.



Barry A. Jesinoski
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