

# Past Commanders-in-Chief



To honor their service, the past Commanders-in-Chief are listed in chronological order since the inception of the organization.

## AMERICAN VETERANS OF FOREIGN SERVICE

James C. Putnam\*.....1899-1900  
 Maj. Will S. White\* .....1900-01  
 Maj. Will S. White\* .....1901-02  
 James Romanis\* .....1902-03  
 James Romanis\* .....1903-04  
 James Romanis\* .....1904-05  
 George Metzger\* .....1905-06  
 Charles H. Devereaux\* .....1906-07  
 David T. Nevin\* .....1907-08  
 J. Alfred Judge\* .....1908-09  
 J. Alfred Judge\* .....1909-10  
 Robert G. Woodside\* .....1910-11  
 Robert G. Woodside\* .....1911-12  
 Robert G. Woodside\* .....1912-13

## ARMY OF THE PHILIPPINES, CUBA AND PUERTO RICO

Gen. Francis V. Greene\*.....1900-01  
 Gen. Irving Hale\* .....1901-02  
 Gen. Irving Hale\* .....1902-03  
 Gen. Charles King\* .....1903-04  
 Gen. Wilder S. Metcalf\* .....1904-05  
 Col. Alfred S. Frost\*.....1905-06  
 Gen. Arthur MacArthur\* .....1906-07  
 Capt. H.A. Crow\* .....1907-08  
 Maj. P.J.H. Farrell\*.....1908-09  
 Col. Charles L. Jewett\* .....1909-10  
 A.H. Anderson\* .....1910-11  
 F. Warner Karling\* .....1911-12  
 F. Warner Karling\* .....1912-13

## AMERICAN VETERANS OF FOREIGN SERVICE (EASTERN BRANCH)

Capt. Robert S. Hansbury\* .....1903-04  
 H.O. Kelley\* .....1904-05

Rice W. Means,\* Colorado 1913-14  
 Thomas Crago,\* Pennsylvania 1914-15  
 Gus Hartung,\* Colorado 1915-16  
 Albert Rabing,\* New York 1916-17  
 William Ralston,\* Pennsylvania 1917-18  
 F. Warner Karling,\* Missouri 1918-20  
 Robert G. Woodside,\* Pennsylvania 1920-22  
 Tillinghast Huston,\* New York 1922-23  
 Lloyd M. Brett,\* Washington, D.C. 1923-24  
 John H. Dunn,\* Massachusetts 1924-25  
 Fred Stover,\* Pennsylvania 1925-26  
 Theodore Stitt,\* New York 1926 -27  
 Frank T. Strayer,\* Indiana 1927-28  
 Eugene P. Carver,\* Massachusetts 1928-29  
 Hezekiah N. Duff,\* Michigan 1929-30  
 Paul C. Wolman,\* Maryland 1930-31  
 Darold D. DeCoe,\* California 1931-32  
 Robert E. Coontz,\* Washington, D.C. 1932-33  
 James E. Van Zandt,\* Pennsylvania 1933-36  
 Bernard W. Kearney,\* New York 1936-37  
 Scott P. Squyres,\* Oklahoma 1937-38  
 Eugene I. Van Antwerp,\* Michigan 1938-39  
 Otis N. Brown,\* North Carolina 1939-40  
 Joseph C. Menedez,\* Louisiana 1940-41  
 Max Singer,\* Massachusetts 1941-42  
 Robert T. Merrill,\* Montana 1942-43  
 Carl J. Schoeninger,\* Michigan 1943-44  
 Jean A. Brunner,\* New York 1944-45  
 Joseph M. Stack,\* Pennsylvania 1945-46  
 Louis E. Starr,\* Oregon 1946-47  
 Ray H. Brannaman,\* Colorado 1947-48  
 Lyall T. Beggs,\* Wisconsin 1948-49  
 Clyde A. Lewis,\* New York 1949-50  
 Charles C. Ralls,\* Washington 1950-51  
 Frank C. Hilton,\* Pennsylvania 1951-52  
 James W. Cothran,\* South Carolina 1952-53  
 Wayne E. Richards,\* Kansas 1953-54  
 Merton B. Tice,\* South Dakota 1954-55  
 Timothy J. Murphy,\* Massachusetts 1955-56  
 Cooper T. Holt,\* Tennessee 1956-57  
 Richard L. Roudebush,\* Indiana 1957-58  
 John W. Mahan,\* Montana 1958-59  
 Louis G. Feldmann,\* Pennsylvania 1959-60  
 Ted C. Connell,\* Texas 1960-61  
 Robert E. Hansen,\* Minnesota 1961-62  
 Byron B. Gentry,\* California 1962-63  
 Joseph J. Lombardo,\* New York 1963-64  
 John A. Jenkins,\* Alabama 1964-65  
 Andy Borg,\* Wisconsin 1965-66  
 Leslie M. Fry,\* Nevada 1966-67  
 Joseph A. Scerra,\* Massachusetts 1967-68  
 Richard W. Homan,\* West Virginia 1968-69  
 Raymond A. Gallagher,\* South Dakota 1969-70  
 H.R. Rainwater,\* California 1970-71  
 Joseph L. Vicites,\* Pennsylvania 1971-72  
 Patrick E. Carr,\* Louisiana 1972-73  
 Ray S. Soden,\* Illinois 1973-74  
 John J. Stang,\* Kansas 1974-75  
 Thomas C. Walker,\* Connecticut 1975-76  
 R.D. (Bulldog) Smith, Georgia 1976-77  
 John Wasyluk,\* Ohio 1977-78  
 Eric Sandstrom,\* Washington 1978-79  
 Howard E. Vander Clute, Jr.,\* New Jersey 1979-80  
 T.C. Selman,\* Texas (died in office) 1980-81  
 Arthur J. Fellwock,\* Indiana 1981-82  
 James R. Curricio,\* Arizona 1982-83  
 Clifford G. Olson, Jr.,\* Massachusetts 1983-84  
 Billy Ray Cameron,\* North Carolina 1984-85  
 John S. Staum,\* Minnesota 1985-86  
 Norman G. Staab,\* Kansas 1986-87  
 Earl L. Stock, Jr.,\* New York 1987-88  
 Larry W. Rivers, Louisiana 1988-89  
 Walter G. Hogan, Wisconsin 1989-90  
 James L. Kimery,\* New Mexico 1990-91  
 Robert E. Wallace, New Jersey 1991-92  
 John M. Carney,\* Florida 1992-93  
 George R. Cramer, Illinois 1993-94  
 Allen F. Kent,\* Arizona 1994-95  
 Paul A. Spera, Massachusetts 1995-96  
 James E. Nier, Texas 1996-97  
 John E. Moon, Ohio 1997-98  
 Thomas A. Pouliot, Montana 1998-99  
 John W. Smart, New Hampshire 1999-2000  
 John F. Gwizdak,\* Georgia 2000-01  
 James N. Goldsmith,\* Michigan 2001-02  
 Raymond C. Sisk,\* California 2002-03  
 Edward S. Banas, Sr.,\* Connecticut 2003-04  
 John Furgess,\* Tennessee 2004-05  
 James R. Mueller, Missouri 2005-06  
 Gary Kurpius, Alaska 2006-07  
 George Lisicki, New Jersey 2007-08  
 Glen M. Gardner, Jr., Texas 2008-09  
 Thomas J. Tradewell, Sr.,\* Wisconsin 2009-10  
 Richard L. Eubank, California 2010-11  
 Richard L. DeNoyer, Massachusetts 2011-12  
 John E. Hamilton, Florida 2012-13  
 William A. Thien, Indiana 2013-14  
 John W. Stroud, Nevada 2014-15  
 John A. Biedrzycki Jr.,\* Pennsylvania 2015-16  
 Brian Duffy, Kentucky 2016-17  
 Keith E. Harman, Ohio 2017-18  
 Vincent "B.J." Lawrence, New Mexico 2018-19  
 William J. "Doc" Schmitz, New York 2019-20  
 Harold J. "Hal" Roesch II, Virginia 2020-21  
 Matthew M. "Fritz" Mihelcic, Illinois 2021-22  
 Timothy M. Borland, Arizona 2022-23  
 Duane Sarmiento, New Jersey 2023-24  
 Alfred J. "Al" Lipphardt, Georgia 2024-25

\*Deceased

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