



3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry Regiment



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2026 FALL

www.3-4cav.org

NEW MEMBERS

2027 REUNION LEXINGTON, KY AUGUST 15-19, 2027

The Clarion Lexington will be our hotel in 2027. The rates will be \$109.00 per night subject to state and local taxes. Rates are good two days before and after the reunion dates. Breakfast is included with the room. **NOTE: Due to the Clarion changing to a Marriott next year, you will not be able to get your room until March 1, 2027.** To reserve your room, call the hotel directly at **859-233-0512**. Tell them you are booking for the 3-4 Cavalry 2027 reunion. **Any reservations received after the cutoff date will be provided on a space available basis only, and at the hotel's current rate.**

The reunion tentative agenda and registration form are at the bottom of the newsletter. Send to Dave now!

✓ CHECKLIST:

- ✓ Register for the reunion.
- ✓ Reserve your hotel room.
- ✓ Find a new member.
- ✓ Pay your dues.
- ✓ Notify us of your email and address change.

Two new members since last newsletter.

Larry Knowles, HHT & B

William Lambert, A & D

Current number of Troopers found – **1704**

NOTICE! NOTICE!

Last reminder. We will be going digital with the 2026-2027 Winter newsletter (NL). The reasons for this are many. Less than 100 members are receiving the NL via mail. It is not cost effective to have it printed nor do we receive the bulk mailing rate.

If you do not have a computer there are other ways that you can receive the NL, i.e., go to a library and they will print it for you. Get it on your cell phone or have one of your grandkids get it for you.

Based on 2026 figures this will save us \$2,769.64 annually.

TAPS



Dave Abblitt, A *
 Jesse Auttonberry, A
 Larry Branch, HHT *
 Dwight Byrd, D *
 Duane Cooper, A
 Lonnie Dotson, A *
 Gary Forbes, A *
 Ribin Haywood, F *
 Michael Hunter, A *
 Robert Jacky, C *
 Richard Jivery, HHT
 Thomas Keinz, HHT
 Randall Klump, C

Robert Krawczyk, B
 James Lockleer, B *
 Jerry Lowder, B *
 Robert Lumpkin, C *
 Charles Macchiaroli, HHT *
 Michael Mackler, C *
 Albert McQueary, A
 Joe Monaghan, Jr, B, HHT *
 Clayton Moore, B *
 Daniel Nate, LRRP *
 Lawrnce Schilinski, F *
 Wilbur Selsor, A
 Dwain Smith, C

Hugh Stovall, D *
 Arnold Tolbert, HHT *
 Cecil Trahan, B
 Mike Vaughan, D *
 Joseph Veryaken, C *
 Martin Wells, B *
 Robert White, C *
 William Williams, B

*Recognized in the 2026 Memorial Service

THE ASSOCIATION ON THE WEB

3/4 Cavalry Chapter (John Moore):

<https://www.3-4cav.org/>

A Troop (John Moore):

<http://www.atrp3-4cav.org/>

B Troop (Jesse Doyle and daughter Tiffany Hendrick):

<https://www.btrp34cav.com/>

C Troop (John White):

<http://www.ctrp-3d-4thcav.com/>

D/F Troops (Bruce Powell):

<http://www centaursinvietnam.org/>

THE ASSOCIATION ON FACEBOOK

Facebook group is a closed group, ask to join the group.

3/4 Cavalry Chapter: (Ruppert Baird):

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/53219715921/>

HHT (Roger McGill):

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1755445718108376/>

1st Plt, B Troop (David Xanten/Jerry Boucher)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/582621255221032/>

C Troop (Bill Ruff/needs an administrator):

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/194723020977176/>

F Troop (Frank Dillon/Harry Rogers):

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/525635240973831/>

ATTA BOY / GIRL

Jerry Headley

Your donations may remain anonymous. *Your dues and tax-deductible donations keep our chapter running.*

3-4 CAV Dues

Life membership is **\$10.00**. Pay the 3-4 CAV Chapter by mail at P.O. Box 24414, Lexington, KY 40524-4414, or at www.3-4cav.org by clicking **JOIN**. Include a copy of your DD-214 or other proof of service, with your SSN blocked out.

25th Infantry Division Association Dues

Annual dues are \$25. Mail payment to 25th Infantry Division Association, P.O. Box 7, Flourtown, PA 19031-0007. Life dues vary by age; see www.25thida.org. Proof of service is required.

NOTE: To submit a grandchild for a scholarship, you must join the 25th IDA at least one year in advance.

QUARTERMASTER STORE

NOTE: Add shipping of \$15 to orders up to \$50 and \$10 to orders over \$50. Unless noted otherwise, mail checks or money orders payable to 3-4 Cavalry Chapter to P.O. Box 24414, Lexington, KY 40524-4414. You may also order at www.3-4cav.org and pay by PayPal or with credit card without a PayPal account.

PINS & COINS



REGIMENTAL
CROSSED SABER PIN:
\$15



GUIDON PIN: 2 for
\$15



3-4 CAV LICENSE
PLATES: \$15.00.



CHAPTER CHALLENGE COIN:
\$10.



MINIATURE CREST: \$5
LARGE CREST: \$15



3-4 CROSSED SABERS: \$15



BELT BUCKLE: Enameled
full-color 4th Cavalry Crest
on crossed sabers. \$28

STICKERS, DECALS, AND PATCHES



SEW-ON
PATCH: \$5



BUMPER STICKER: 2 for \$5



WINDOW DECALS:
Three for \$10



4th CAVALRY CREST DECAL:
(Outside Mount):

These are 3.5" tall and are 2
for \$5



GUIDON PATCH: 9"X 6". For
jacket or vest. \$45 each.
Indicate Troop with order.

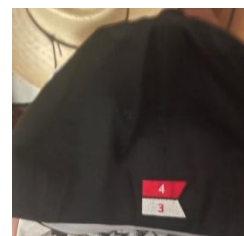
HATS & SHIRTS

FLEX FIT HAT: Black with 3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry and Crest on front and 3-4 guidon on back. \$30, S/M fits 6 3/4 to 7 1/8, L/XL fits 7 3/8 to 7 3/4. With Troop designation \$35.

MESH HAT: Black front, white rear, one size fits all. \$30. With Troop designation \$35.



Hat Front –
Both Hats



Flex Fit Back



Mesh Back

STANDARD T-SHIRT: Gray with 3-4 Cavalry Crest and Tropic Lightning patch on front and crossed sabers on back. \$25 S, M, L, XL. \$30 2X, 3X.



DENIM SHIRT: Available to order. \$55 S, M, L, XL. \$60 2X. \$65 3X. Cost is higher than at reunions due to shipping fees. Add \$5 each for name and troop and / or CIB.



SWEATSHIRT: Navy blue embroidered 4th Cavalry Crest crossed sabers and Mackenzie's Raiders on left front.

\$35.00. S, M, L, XL.
\$40 2X,3X



T-SHIRT: Navy blue with embroidered Regimental Crest on left front.

\$25, S, M, L, XL.
\$30, 2X,3X.



WRINKLE FREE POLO:

Navy blue with embroidered 4th Cavalry Crest, crossed sabers, and Mackenzie's Raiders on left front, \$35 S, M, L, XL, \$40 2X,3X.

“Our lives, our liberty, and our property are never in greater danger than when Congress is in session.”

MARK TWAIN

**Reunion Registration
Lexington, KY
August 15-19, 2027**

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION – AUGUST 2, 2027

Name: _____ Spouse/Friend: _____

Name (s) as you prefer on your ID Tag(s) _____

Names of Guests: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Troop: _____ Dates Served: _____ Special Limitations, Diets: _____

Your E-Mail Address: _____ Is this your first Reunion? _____

	Price Per Person	X People	
REGISTRATION FEE	\$35.00	_____	= \$ _____

ACTIVITY

Wednesday Banquet Buffet	\$40.00	_____	= \$ _____
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The banquet buffet will include garden or Caesar salad, fried chicken, roasted pork loin, mashed potatoes, green beans, potatoes salad and slaw. Children and those with special diets should be able to select items from the dishes offered.

Daily Breakfast Buffet	FREE, included in room rate.
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Bus to Memorial Service	\$30.00	-----	= \$-----
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NOTE: The Chapter is responsible for the providers of services and goods based on participant counts. Therefore, the Chapter will refund 100% of Reunion meal fees paid, provided notice is received at least 30 days prior to the reunion. Between 15 and 29 days, the Chapter will refund 50%. If notice is received in 14 or less, no refund will be made except in cases where injury/illness or “Acts of God” prohibit attendance.

Donation to 3-4 CAV Reunion Operating Fund	\$ _____
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TOTAL ENCLOSED	\$ _____
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Please send check or money order payable to 3/4 CAV Chapter (write reunion on memo line) and mail to:

Dave Cox, 13 Loma Linda Drive, Kerrville, Texas 78028

Phone: (830) 895-1172

email: cox.a.34cav@gmail.com

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REUNION AGENDA – 2027 (DRAFT)

Changes will be announced / posted in the hospitality room.

Sunday, Aug. 15

Hospitality Room Open	1:00 PM - 10:PM
Bar	3:00 - 10:00 PM
Registration	1:00 -?
QM Store	1:00 -?
Photographer	?

Monday, Aug. 16

Hospitality Room Open	1:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Bar	3:00 PM- 10:00 PM
Registration	1:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Business Meeting	2:00 PM – 3:30 PM
QM Store	4:00 PM -?
Photographer	12:00 PM -?
Icebreaker - Hospitality Room	6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Tuesday, Aug. 17

Hospitality Room Open	1:00 PM - 10:00PM
Bar	4:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Memorial Service (Frankfort, KY)	9:00 AM - 11:30 AM
Lunch	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM
Tour Buffalo Trace Distillery (pending)	1:00 PM - 2:30 PM
QM Store	TBD
Registration	4:00 PM -?
Photographer	TBD

Wednesday, Aug 18

Hospitality Room Open	1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Bar	5:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Registration	?
QM Store	?
Banquet Reception	5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Banquet	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Raffle - Banquet Hall	9:00 PM - 10:00PM

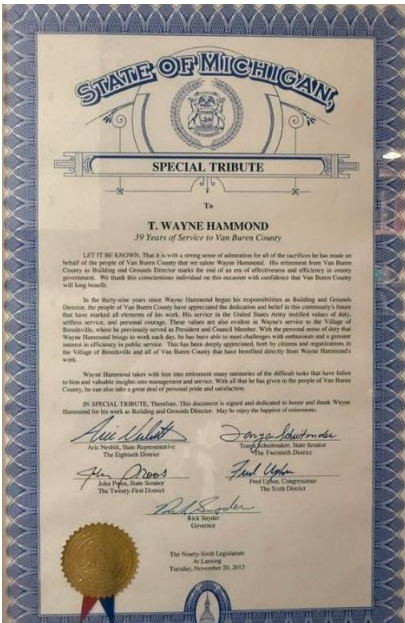
Thursday, Aug. 19

Farewell

THIS AND THAT

Roger McGill, HHT: While Roger was at Mass there was a Vietnamese Nun passing out envelopes. The enclosed information was about a parish in Can Tho, Vietnam that she was collecting funds that would be used for the children of the parish. Roger went back and spoke with the Nun explaining that he was a Vietnam Veteran and told her about the MEDCAP program that the 3-4 CAV supported in the village of Bac Ha II and how the Medics and Squadron Surgeon treated the villagers. The Nun spoke at the service and there was a second collection which was greatly supported.

Jerry Headley, B, HHT: Jerry participated in the July 4th parade in Middletown, VA.



T. Wayne Hammond, B: Wayne was recognized by the State of Michigan for 39 years of service in county government as an appointed official, 28 years as an elected official and Village president.



Neil Heavener, B: Neil was recognized as Legionnaire of the Year for the American Legion Department of Mississippi.



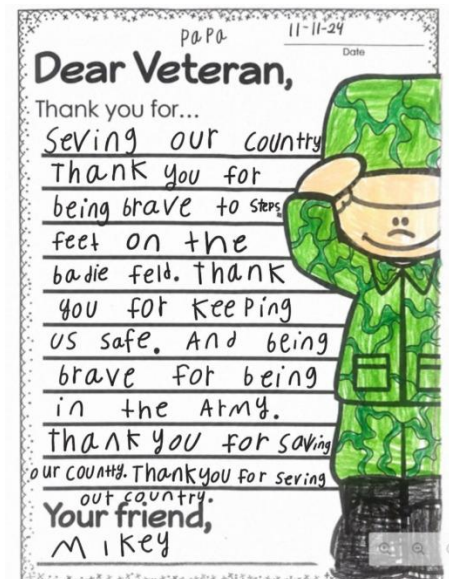
Terry Noonan, C: Terry selected for the Oregon Honor Flight to Washington, DC in September.

LT Craig: David was the A Troop C.O. when the squadron was brought back up to strength, in Hawaii, 71-72, after Vietnam. After retirement he was appointed as a member of the Chief of Staff Army's Council for Retired Soldiers 2025.



Santino Carribbio, B: Pictured is "Mikey", Santino's grandson, in his "uniform". All CAV.

To the right is a letter Mikey wrote to his grandfather, Santino.



2026 Reunion Business Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Tom Fleming at 1000 hours on Tuesday, August 25th. Chapter officers present were Tom Fleming, President, Dave Cox, Secretary, Bobby Bingham, Treasurer, Dennis Roe, Chaplain and John Moore, Webmaster. Absent was Dwight Birdwell, Vice President.

An opening prayer was given by Chaplain Dennis Roe, with all attendees standing.

President Tom Fleming led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Tom Fleming asked all first-time attendees to stand.

President Tom Fleming moved to skip the reading of the meeting minutes from the 2025 reunion as they had been published in the post-reunion newsletter. The vote to skip the reading was unanimous.

Treasurer Bobby Bingham reported that Chapter account balances as of 8/1/06 were as follows: Checking - \$20,286.85, CDs - \$90,615.94, QM Store - \$3,000.00. Asset distribution was: Operating Fund - \$101,087.41, Scholarship Fund - \$6,150.00, JH Soldier Fund - \$3,665.38, QM Store - \$3,000.00. Total assets were \$113,902.79. A motion was made and seconded to accept the report. The vote to accept the Treasurer's report was unanimous.

Secretary Dave Cox reported that the Chapter continues to lose members. As of the reunion, current paid membership stood at 487, including 6 honorary members. A motion was made and seconded to accept the report. The vote to accept the Secretary's report was unanimous.

Webmaster John Moore showed slides exhibiting the monthly numbers of people viewing the various websites and the Facebook page. The numbers are as follows: Chapter- 1,700, A Troop – 700, B Troop – 1,400, C Troop – 1,000, D Troop – 2,600 and Facebook Chapter members – 1,670. A motion was made and seconded to accept the report. The acceptance vote was unanimous.

President Emeritus Jerry Headley reported on his attendance at the 3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry deactivation ceremony at Schofield Barracks in late 2025. He also discussed how the last printed issue of the Chapter quarterly newsletter will be mailed in the fall of 2026. All future newsletters, beginning with the winter issue will be emailed to members.

Webmaster John Moore discussed proposed changes to the Chapter Bylaws having to do with determining which members remain in good standing and what actions may result in disqualifying people from retaining their membership. The vote to accept the changes was unanimous.

Treasurer Bobby Bingham reported that the 2027 reunion will be held at the same hotel in Lexington, with tentative dates being set for August 15 to 19. All voted in favor.

President Tom Fleming called for the election of Chapter officers. A motion was made and seconded to re-elect all current officers. The vote to re-elect all was unanimous.

The usual passing of the hat for scholarship donations was announced as collecting \$1023.00.

Chaplain Dennis Roe made a closing prayer, with all standing.

The meeting was closed by President Tom Fleming at 1047 hours.

Reunion Wrap-up Or HUH, WHAT Week

By all accounts, our reunion was a great success. Judging by the laughter heard in the hospitality room each day, it was a real hoot. Early on, one of the ladies suggested calling it “HUH, WHAT Week.” We heard that phrase often, but it never slowed the “remember when’s” or the stories about so-and-so.

Monday Memorial Service

On Monday, we traveled to Frankfort, Kentucky, for our memorial service at the Kentucky Vietnam Veterans Memorial. This distinctive monument is designed as a sundial: the names of Kentucky service members killed in action are engraved on the floor, and the sun’s shadow falls on each name at the time the service member was killed.

Lunch and the Return to Lexington

- Enjoyed a superb lunch at the Barrel Stave restaurant in Frankfort.
- Returned by a rural route with views of horse farms.
- Drive through Keeneland Racecourse.
- Visited the Distillery District in historic Lexington.

Business Meeting

The most significant development at the business meeting was an amendment to Article IV of the Bylaws. The amendment clarifies the definition of a member in good standing and establishes the grounds for suspending or expelling a member. The complete bylaws are available on our website.

Banquet

The banquet opened with the posting of the colors. Our featured speaker was Dr. J. Ross, who served as our squadron surgeon from 1968 to 1969. He shared practical steps we can take to age safely, stay mentally alert, and remain physically fit.

Key Takeaways

Small actions, repeated consistently, can lead to significant accomplishments.

He outlined 35 practical habits that can support healthy aging.

He also shared his views on the COVID vaccine, the value of PSA blood testing for men, and optimizing testosterone levels for men who have never had prostate cancer.

Next Year

Thursday morning brought plenty of hugs and promises to see one another next year.

The Good Lord willing and the creek don’t rise, we’ll gather again in Lexington in August 2027.





