For God and Country

TERRY A. HARRIS (KS) - NATIONAL VICE COMMANDER MIDWEST REGION - BIO

Terry Harris was born in a little village outside of Stuttgart, Germany, placed in an orphanage and adopted by a military couple. He started in the Sons of The American Legion in 1964 as a charter member of Squadron 593 in Prunedale, California. Both of Terry's parents were Army Veterans and very active in the post, his mother was also very active in the district. Terry's father was instrumental in starting the Squadron and was on the advisory committee. Terry's first office was on the executive committee at 8 years old. In 1967, Terry's dad was then transferred, his family remained members but weren't active. When Terry's family returned to the states, his membership was transferred to Post/Squadron 18 in Cameron, West Virginia. Which was Terry's mothers hometown and they had many family members at this post.

Terry's father retired from the Army in 1969 and the family settled in Kansas. The family wasn't active within the American Legion Family and their memberships were still in West Virginia.

Terry has been very involved in The American Legion Riders in the department of Kansas and started the chapter at Post #106 in Larned, Kansas. Harris has served as Squadron Commander and Adjutant as well as District Vice Commander for 2 years and District Commander for 2 years. At the detachment level he has served as Sergeant-at-Arms, Vice Commander and Commander 2018-2020. He is currently the Adjutant for the Detachment of Kansas.

Harris has been married to his wife, Wyanette, since 1978. Wyanette is a Legion family member of The American legion Auxiliary Unit 180 in Great Bend, Kansas. He has a stepson named Bob who is a member of the SAL in Great Bend, Kansas' squadron 180.