



Barr-Allen Post 2785  
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### September 2025 Newsletter

**August Highlights/Accomplishments:** In August, we successfully organized a BBQ Rib contest at the Post, generating proceeds to support our building fund. Additionally, thanks to a few hardworking comrades, the interior walls and restrooms were freshly painted, enhancing the overall appearance of our Post. Membership increased with the addition of three members (1 Life, 1 Annual, 1 Transfer) bringing our total to 272 members: **Life Members: 222; Annual Members: 37; Unpaid (expired dues): 13.**

If you're an annual member, please check your expiration date, and ensure dues are paid.

**Community Service:** Seventy-three hours of service were completed this month, including hosting veteran support groups, helping veterans with the VA claims process, lawn care, food delivery, ASVAB math tutoring, and clothing donations. The program year total is 137 hours, the highest in our District.

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### POST EVERLASTING:

There were no deceased members during this month.

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### COMMANDER / AUXILIARY PRESIDENT COMMENTS

**Commander's Message (Lonzie Jimmerson III):** Firstly, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to Comrade Roberto Nolasco (USMC-Ret) for his outstanding contributions to this post. His unwavering dedication has ensured the upkeep of our grounds, and he has consistently supported our operations behind the scenes. Thank you, Robert; it is both a privilege and an honor to call you a comrade.

Comrades, as we enter another month, I'd like us to steady the path and remain mission focused; collectively we have a lot of great ideas and things happening within our ranks. As you look at our updated Life Member board with the original 750 Life members, over 600+ are labeled as deceased, please remember that it is in their honor that we continue to operate this post. Their past contributions to the Life Member programs position us to pay yearly on their behalf to the VFW Programs. If the past contributions of others are not enough to encourage you to do more regarding the post, I then ask that you look to the future with the understanding that the VFW provides a safe place for those future veterans returning home. If you cannot volunteer, we ask that you consider a donation to the post. Please visit our website and click the [donate](#) button. Thank you all for your service and support I look forward to serving with you in the future.

**Auxiliary President (Ms. Dana Sheffield):** The Auxiliary recently added five new members, which has contributed to the Post leading in community service hours for District 8. In addition, our District is leading Ga State in membership rolls. Two events are scheduled for September: the 8th District meeting on Saturday, September 13th, and the Buddy Poppy drive on September 20<sup>th</sup>. For membership inquiries or further information, contact Dana Sheffield at 229-894-4276 or [danasheffield152@gmail.com](mailto:danasheffield152@gmail.com).

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### **POST EVENT DATES (September 2025)**

- Open Tue through Fri (4 pm); Sat at 11 am; Closed Sun-Mon

<b>Date</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Time</b>
Sep 3	Wed	House Committee mtg	6:30 pm
Sep 4	Thu	Bingo Committee mtg	6:30 pm
Sep 11	Thu	9/11 Breakfast / Tribute	9 am
Sep 11	Thur	Independent Harley Riders mtg	6:30 pm
Sep 12, 26	Fri	229 Band	8 pm
Sep 13	Sat	District 8 mtg at Nashville Post	10 am
Sep 17	Wed	Officers Mtg & Bingo Dry Run	7 pm
Sep 20	Sat	Buddy Poppy Drive at Mikes Country Store	8 am
Sep 25	Thur	Member meeting. This will be the Dawson Post merger	6:30 pm

**Link to our Post Calendar:** → [Calendar](#) **Facebook:** → [VFW Post 2785 Facebook Page](#)

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### **OFFICERS**

<b>Post Officers</b>	<b>Auxiliary Officers</b>
<b>Commander:</b> Lonzie Jimmerson	<b>President:</b> Dana Sheffield
<b>Senior Vice Commander:</b> Johnny White	<b>Sr. Vice President:</b> Leah Shroyer
<b>Junior Vice Commander:</b> Jay Lewis	<b>Jr. Vice President:</b> Patricia Carver
<b>Quartermaster:</b> Dennis Davis	<b>Treasurer:</b> Ouida Trawick
<b>Trustees:</b> John Kirkman (1-yr), Robert Breton (2-yr), James Stephens (3-yr)	<b>Trustees:</b> Lori Davis (1-yr), Karen Griffin (2-yr) Patricia Carver (3-yr)
<b>Adjutant:</b> Chris Shroyer	<b>Secretary:</b> Angela Miles
<b>Chaplain:</b> Chris Shroyer (acting)	<b>Chaplain:</b> Karen Griffin
<b>Service Officer:</b> John Kirkman	<b>Conductor:</b> Lori Davis
<b>Guard:</b> Leonard Edwards	<b>Guard:</b> Linda Stokes Breton
<b>House Committee Chair:</b> Ben Vierya	
<b>Lounge Manager:</b> David Milner	

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