## FRANK ANDRADA, SR.

## VOICE OF DEMOCRACY & PATRIOT'S PEN CHAIR

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## **Veterans of Foreign Wars**

## **Department of Texas**



Frank Andrada, a Gold Legacy Life Member of Ernest Bartsch VFW Post 2527 in Bastrop, Texas, was appointed by State Commander Richard "Dick" Shawver, as Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen Chair, at the 100th State Convention in Georgetown, Texas, in June 2020.

A VFW member since 2006, Comrade Andrada began his membership at the Pilot Knob VFW Post 8925 in Austin and served as their Post Commander from 2008 to 2010. He served as Commander of VFW Post 2527 in Bastrop four years (2016-2020). In 2018-2019, he was recognized as an All-State Post Commander. He has also served as Post Senior Vice Commander; Junior Vice Commander; Legislative Chair; Guard; and Trustee. In 2013-2014, he was elected to serve as District 28 Commander.

Comrade Andrada has served as Chair for Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen since June 2017 and he served as Buddy Poppy Chair (2016-2017).

He was appointed as National Aide-de-Camp (2014-2015), (2016-2017), (2019-2020) and National Special Aide-de-Camp (2017-2018).

Comrade Andrada served in the United States Marine Corps from 1966 to 1970, leaving the military at the rank of E4. He earned his VFW eligibility while serving in Vietnam. He was awarded National Defense Service Medal; Combat Action Ribbon; Vietnam Campaign Medal; Good Conduct Medal; Vietnam Service Medal; Navy Unit Citation; Marksman Badge-Rifle; and Vietnam Gallantry Cross.

Frank is married to his wife Janie and they reside in Dale, Texas. Frank and Janie have 4 children, and 6 grandchildren.