

Department of California Chaplain Report

The Department of California Chaplains and members have been busy emotionally supporting each other all year. Our Department President Glenda's theme is 'United as One', and our members did not disappoint.

Our department reports 59 Gold Star members in our ranks. We are very honored to support them and others as they have experienced the greatest sacrifice.

Unfortunately, 84 deaths were reported to this chaplain this year. We had 41 units draping their charter for their lost members. 18 units and 10 districts report holding memorial services.

14 units donated to our 'Living Tribute' for a total of \$1105. 44 units and 6 districts report holding a Four Chaplains Service.

Our members were busy sending out cards this year; 170 anniversary, 246 congratulations, 594 get well, 944 birthday, 421 encouragement, 443 sympathy, 620 thinking of you, and 910 others. It is remarkable how we try to look after each other.

We have a total of 63 units with Memorial Day events. 42 units held Independence Day celebrations. 28 units held events for 9/11; mostly presenting lunch and gifts to first responders. 55 units held Veteran's Day events. 23 Flag Day events were held. 26 units celebrate Service Birthdays.

We in the Department of California support our veterans daily one way or the other.

This has been an honor to represent California this year.

Respectfully-
Patricia Martinez
Department Chaplain
California 2023-2024

American Legion Auxiliary



Convention Committee Meeting Report

The Convention Committee on (program name) Chaplain met on June 21, 2024 in Sequeira A room. The statistical report of this Chairman appears the on page 25 in the book of Reports.

Gabriella Ramos was appointed Secretary
Suzi Preti offered prayer, and
Maurice O'Brien-Sears was appointed Sargent-At-Arms.

A total of 15 District Delegates answered roll call. There were 11 visitors present. The Committee agreed upon the following report:

The code was read and the following was discussed.

The code currently reads #2 → See form

A motion was made to replace #2 with the following shall

The department Chaplain should receive a member data form from the Unit Chaplain when notified of a members death. A Courtesy member data form should also be sent to the district chaplain using the current years information.

By recommendation of the committee I move to accept the code changes.
2nd & 3rd Place awards for Unit + District were handed out.

Madem President may I continue with my floor remarks -