

# AMERICAN LEGION POST 3 THE COFFEY CUP

**January 2019**

## YOUR OFFICERS

Commander – John York

Sr. Vice – Bob Courtemanche

Jr. Vice – Vacant

Adjutant – Don Vincent

Finance Ofc. - Barney Barbera

Chaplain - Ron Poirier

Sgt-at-Arms – Vacant

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## COMMANDER'S CORNER

Dear Members, Our next Monthly meeting will be held on 8 January 2019 at 19:00 at the Post Home.

The construction of the bar continues. We still have a number of positions open Jr Vice, Sergeant-at-Arms, etc. All committees need Seats filled.

Remember, this is your Post, if you want to see the post open you must get involved. We need all members to attend the January meeting as we will be voting on bylaw changes.

We will be giving away a \$100 door prize at the Jan meeting if we have at least 25 members present. You will need your 2019 membership card to be eligible. I will be at the Post from 16:30 to 17:30 on Mondays for

any Member that have questions or wants to see the Post. Anyone can contact me by phone or email.

Commander, John E York.

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Editor

*BARNEY BARBERA PC/LM*

## CHAPLAIN'S REPORT



### TRANSFER TO POST EVERLASTING

HOWARD BREault, US Navy, Vietnam War- Transfer Date: 12/05/2018

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#### **PROPOSED BY-LAWS CHANGES:**

11-16-2018

At the direction of your James E. Coffey Post 3 commander, John York and the Executive board the By-Laws Committee has proposed changes to the Post 3 By-Laws. These changes are necessary in order to continue to do the post business in today's economy and with dwindling membership and member participation at regular meetings.

The attached proposed changes are being provided for your review. A brief summary of the changes are as follows:

Combining the offices of Finance Officer and Treasurer to just one position, "Finance Officer". This change is consistent with the majority of the other Legion posts in NH.

Change the quorum to conduct financial business at a regular meeting from the current 10 members to 6 members.

Change the quorum to change the post By-Laws at any regular or special meeting from the current 15 members to 8 members. The quorum changes are necessary due to the lack of sufficient membership attendance at Post 3 meetings.

Increase the dollar amount from the current \$100 to \$1000 that the post can spend without requiring a notice stating the proposed appropriation or expenditure shall be sent to each member of this Post in advance. This change is necessary in today's economy as the cost of routine maintenance and other expenditures required for the day to day operation of your post has increased dramatically due to inflation.

The remaining proposed changes are just clarifications of existing articles or additions to clarify existing articles.

The proposed changes are scheduled to be voted on at the regular meeting of Post 3 at our 11 Court Street home on January 8 2019. It is imperative that all members attend this meeting. In order to change the By-Laws, we will need a minimum of 15 members in attendance (current By-Laws requirement). We have not had that many in attendance since the Department of NH held a special meeting at the Elks lodge to inform you all that they were closing down the canteen and suspending our charter. Our charter was re-instated a month

later, however, the members failed to continue to come to the meetings and support their post. This is your post! It will be 100 years old next year. We need your support to continue our mission and keep our post alive.

I hope to see you all there in January.

Donald P. Vincent  
Chairman, By-Laws committee

**Recommended by-laws changes:**

Contents Pg. 3, Art XII, ADD:

**Section 17, Committee Member Attendance..... 16**

**Definitions:**

ADD

**e) Active Committee Member:** A member who participates in scheduled meetings of the committee, except when excused.

DELETE - this is clearly defined in ARTICLE XII Section 4.

~~**f) Postpaid membership:** post portion of total membership dues.~~

**ARTICLE V**

**Officers**

**Section 1:** The elected officers of this Post shall be:

Post Finance Officer - two (2) year term (Voted in on ~~even years...2018, 2020~~) Delete  
Treasurer, see g. 10

~~Post Treasurer ——— two (2) year term (Voted in on odd years....2013, 2015)~~

**From Section 4:** The Post Executive Committee shall consist of the elected Officers identified in Section 1 of this Article and the appointed Administrators identified in Section 2 of this Article.

**To Section 4:** The Post Executive Committee shall consist of the "filled" elected Officers identified in Section 1 of this Article and the "filled" appointed Administrators identified in Section 2 of this Article. There shall be no minimum number of members required.

**ARTICLE VII**

**Election of Officers**

**From Section 3, Membership Standing:** No member who is not in good standing at the time of nomination shall be nominated for elective office in this Post. No member who is not in good standing may hold an elective or appointed office in this Post. No member may hold more than one (1) elected office in this Post simultaneously unless

approved by the Executive Committee to fill an open position.

**To Section 3, Membership Standing:** No member shall be nominated for elective office in this Post who is not in good standing at the time of nomination. No member who is not in good standing may hold an elective or appointed office in this Post. No member may hold more than one (1) elected office in this Post simultaneously unless approved by the Executive Committee to fill an open position.

**From Section 5, Term of Office:** An officer elected shall continue in office until his / her successor is elected or appointed and qualified in accordance with Sections 1 and 2 of this Article.

**To Section 5, Term of Office:** An officer elected may continue in office until his / her successor is elected or appointed and qualified in accordance with Sections 1 and 2 of this Article. **ARTICLE VIII**

### **Post Officer Duties and Responsibilities**

**From Section 5, Post Finance Officer:** Elected every **EVEN** year and shall serve for a two (2) year term. The Post Finance Officer, (a) shall collect and make proper record of all monies received by him / her from dues, fees, and assessments, if any; proceeds from Post activities; Trust Funds; and all other sources of Post income; (b) shall maintain in permanent form, a receipt book containing duplicate receipt slips numbered in consecutive order, in which book he / she shall record in duplicate and issue receipts, except for membership dues, covering all money received whether by check or by cash; and shall retain in such receipt book all carbon copies of such receipt for purposes of record and audit; (c) shall keep regular accounts with the National Organization and The American Legion Department of New Hampshire; (d) shall keep and maintain in a correct up-to-date and orderly manner in proper books, provided by the Post for such purposes, all records and accounts; (e) title to such books and records shall remain vested in the Post; (f) shall submit at each regular meeting, a full and complete report of all Post moneys received by him; (g) shall deposit such funds in the name of the Post in one or more local banks; (h) shall also be prepared to furnish a full and complete report at any Special or Executive meeting; (I) shall be bonded during his term for the faithful and honest performance of his / her duties in the amount of not less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) by a responsible and approved Surety Company, the cost of such bond shall be paid for by the Post Treasurer from Post funds. The bond shall be on deposit with and held by the Post Commander, who shall see that this bond is correct and current; (j) shall present his / her books and records for audit whenever requested by the Post Trustees; (k) shall be entitled to remuneration for his service in the annual amount established by the General membership and entered into the minutes. This amount shall be payable monthly by the Post Treasurer from Post funds; (1) at the expiration of his / her term in office or in the case of his / her resignation or removal from office, he / she shall deliver immediately to his / her successor or to the Post Commander all monies, books, records, and other property in his / her possession or under his / her control that belong to the Post; (m) shall perform the duties of the Post Treasurer during approved absence during the year.

**To REVISED Section 5, Post Finance Officer:** Elected every **EVEN** year and shall serve for a two (2) year term. The Post Finance officer shall be the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of the Post and be the custodian of all moneys. He / She shall: (a) be responsible for prompt payment of all bills that have been properly approved for payment in the manner prescribed by these By-Laws. All such bills in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50.00) or more shall be paid by check; (b) shall collect and make proper record of all monies received by him / her from dues, fees, and assessments, if any; proceeds from Post activities; Trust Funds; and all other sources of Post income; (c) shall deposit such funds in the name of the Post in one or more local banks; (d) shall maintain in permanent form, a receipt book containing duplicate receipt slips numbered in consecutive order, in which book he / she shall record in duplicate and issue receipts, except for membership dues, covering all money received whether by check or by cash: and shall retain in such receipt book all carbon copies of such receipt for purposes of record and audit; (e) shall keep regular accounts with the National Organization and The American Legion Department of New Hampshire; (f) shall keep a complete set of records and accounts in a correct, up-to-date, and orderly manner, in proper books provided by the Post for such services, (title to such books and records shall remain vested in the Post); (g) shall submit a complete report of all funds received and spent at each regular meeting of the Post; (h) shall be prepared to furnish a full and complete report of Post finances at any Special or Executive meeting; (i) shall present his / her books and records for audit whenever requested by the Post; (j) shall be

bonded during his / her term for faithful and honest performance of duties, in the amount of not less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) by a responsible Surety Company, the cost of such bond shall be paid from Post funds. The bond shall be deposited with and held by the Post Commander. who shall see that this bond is correct and current; (k) shall be entitled to remuneration for his service in the annual amount established by the General membership and entered into the minutes. This amount shall be payable monthly by the Post Finance Officer from Post funds; (l) at the expiration of his / her term in office or in the case of his / her resignation or removal from office, he / she shall deliver immediately to his / her successor or to the Post Commander all monies, books, records. and other property in his / her possession or under his / her control that belongs to the post.

**Delete Section 6, Post Treasurer:**

**Renumber Sections 7-16 to Sections 6-15.**

**Section ~~12~~ 11, Post Editor:** The Post Editor shall (a) be responsible for preparing, ~~printing~~, and e-mailing (with the assistance of the Post Adjutant) "The Coffey Cup"; (b) shall receive remuneration established by the General Membership and entered into the Post minutes. This amount shall be payable monthly by the Post ~~Treasurer~~ **Finance Officer** from Post funds; (c) maintain an electronic mail (e-mail) list for the e-mailing of the monthly "Coffey Cup"; (d) shall be the chairperson of the Publicity Committee which shall consist of not less than two (2) members who shall keep in proper contact with The American Legion News Monthly, the Department of New Hampshire, and the National Legion News Service, and all other forms and types of media. His / Her appointments shall be posted on the Post bulletin board by the June meeting.

## ARTICLE X

### Quorum

**From Section 1, Regular Meetings and By-Law Changes:** Ten (10) members in good standing shall constitute a quorum at all Regular Meetings and fifteen (15) members in good standing shall constitute a quorum to change the By-Laws. (See Article XVII, Section 1)

**To Section 1, Regular Meetings and By-Law Changes:** **Six (6)** members in good standing shall constitute a quorum at all Regular Meetings. **Add: For quorum to change the By-Laws (See Article XVIII, Section 1).**

## ARTICLE XII

### COMMITTEES

**From: Section 2, Executive Committee:** The administration of the affairs of this Post shall, except as otherwise provided by these By-Laws, in an emergency, be under the supervision and direction of the Executive Committee. The minutes of this committee shall be read at the next regular meeting of the General Membership.

**To: Section 2, Executive Committee:** Except as otherwise provided by these By-Laws, the administration of the affairs of this Post shall be under the supervision and direction of the Executive Committee. The members of this committee shall be as stated in Article V Section 4. The minutes of this committee shall be read at the next regular meeting of the General Membership.

**From: Section 4, Membership Committee:** The Membership Committee shall be appointed by the Senior Vice Commander. It shall consist of five (5) members or more, who shall have charge of all matters pertaining to the membership of the Post, including recruiting new members, reinstating former members, and verifying the eligibility for membership. The Membership Committee shall verify and attest to the eligibility of

all prospective members and transfers to this Post. The committee shall present any member with over fifty (50) years of continuous service and fifteen (15) years of continuous service in this Post to the membership at a regular meeting for approval of Postpaid membership. The committee shall present to the membership at a regular meeting any new active duty serviceperson that applies for membership in this Post. Active duty Service persons shall have their first-year dues paid for by the Post. The committee appointments shall be posted on the Post bulletin board by the June meeting.

**To: Section 4, Membership Committee:** The Membership Committee shall be appointed by the Senior Vice Commander. It shall consist of **two (2)** members or more, who shall have charge of all matters pertaining to the membership of the Post, including recruiting new members, reinstating former members, and verifying the eligibility for membership. The Membership Committee shall verify and attest to the eligibility of all prospective members and transfers to this Post. The committee shall present any member with over fifty (50) years of continuous **membership** and fifteen (15) years of continuous **membership** in this Post to the membership at a regular meeting for approval of **exemption from Postpaid portion of membership dues**. **The fifty (50) plus year member would only be responsible for the Department and National portion of the membership dues.** The committee shall present to the membership at a regular meeting any new active duty serviceperson that applies for membership in this Post. Active duty Service persons shall have their first-year dues paid for by the Post. The committee appointments shall be posted on the Post bulletin board by the June meeting. **All Postpaid hardship dues shall be reviewed and approved annually by a committee consisting of the Membership chairman, Service Officer and Finance Officer.**

**From: Section 6, House Committee:** The committee will be made up of six (6) individuals who are active members in good standing of this Post. They shall not be an employee of the Lounge. The Post Commander shall appoint two members upon his / her installation to serve for a term of three (3) years beginning and ending on the second Tuesday in May. Members who have missed three (3) consecutive meetings or whose erratic attendance in the opinion of the committee will be asked to resign. Recommendations to the Post Commander for removal from the committee can be made by four (4) votes of the committee. Vacancies shall be reported to the Post Commander who shall appoint a replacement as soon as possible. The officers of this committee shall be a Chairperson and a Secretary. They shall be elected at the second regular committee meeting in May to serve a one (1) year term. These officers shall perform the duties prescribed in the Rules and Procedures Manual of this committee. The House Committee shall have charge of all matters pertaining to the care and use of the Post Quarters. Each member appointed to fill the unexpired term of a member who resigns or is removed from the committee shall serve for the remainder of the term to which he / she is appointed.

**To: Section 6, House Committee:** The committee **meets the fourth Tuesday of each month and may meet as needed at the discretion of the committee.** The committee will be made up of **a minimum of three to six (3 to 6) Legionnaires with voting authority**, who are active members in good standing of this Post. They shall not be an employee of the Lounge. **The Squadron Commander and the Auxiliary President shall be ex-officio members;** The Post Commander shall appoint two members upon his / her installation to serve for a term of three (3) years beginning and ending on the second Tuesday in May. Members who have missed three (3) consecutive meetings or whose erratic attendance in the opinion of the committee will be asked to resign. Recommendations to the Post Commander for removal from the committee can be made by four (4) votes of the committee. Vacancies shall be reported to the Post Commander who shall appoint a replacement as soon as possible. The officers of this committee shall be a Chairperson and a Secretary. They shall be elected at the regular **house** committee meeting in May to serve a one (1) year term. These officers shall perform the duties prescribed in the Rules and Procedures Manual of this committee. The House Committee shall have charge of

all matters pertaining to the care and use of the Post Quarters. Each member appointed to fill the unexpired term of a member who resigns or is removed from the committee shall serve for the remainder of the term to which he / she is appointed.

**From: Section 8, Budget/Finance Committee:** There shall be a Budget/Finance Committee comprised of five (5) members; the Post Treasurer, the Post Finance Officer and three (3) other members. One member shall be appointed by the Post Commander to serve for three (3) years. The committee shall: (a) prepare an Annual Budget showing estimated receipts and disbursements for the ensuing year; (b) the first presentation of the proposed budget shall be at the Annual Meeting. Copies of the Proposed Budget shall be made available to members at the Annual Meeting. There shall be no action taken or discussion permitted at this meeting. The Budget/Finance Committee shall read the Proposed Budget at the June meeting and shall call for a vote of acceptance; (c) shall provide an item in the budget for contingencies; (d) shall approve or disapprove any proposed appropriations submitted to the said committee by any other committee, the Post Commander, or any ten (10) members of the Post if in the judgment of said committee the proposed appropriation is clearly consistent with a conservative financial policy; (e) shall from time to time make such reports and recommendations in relation to financial matters as the committee deems desirable. They shall have the authority to adjust the Post Budget as necessary. These adjustments shall be read at a Post or Executive Committee meeting and attached to the minutes.

**To: Section 8, Budget/Finance Committee:** There shall be a Budget/Finance Committee comprised of **four (4)** members; the Post Finance Officer and three (3) other members. One member shall be appointed by the Post Commander to serve for three (3) years. The committee shall: (a) prepare an Annual Budget showing estimated receipts and disbursements for the ensuing year; (b) the first presentation of the proposed budget shall be at the Annual Meeting. Copies of the Proposed Budget shall be made available to members at the Annual Meeting. There shall be no action taken or discussion permitted at this meeting. The Budget/Finance Committee shall read the Proposed Budget at the June meeting and shall call for a vote of acceptance; (c) shall provide an item in the budget for contingencies; (d) shall approve or disapprove any proposed appropriations submitted to the said committee by any other committee, the Post Commander, or any ten (10) members of the Post if in the judgment of said committee the proposed appropriation is clearly consistent with a conservative financial policy; (e) shall from time to time make such reports and recommendations in relation to financial matters as the committee deems desirable. They shall have the authority to adjust the Post Budget as necessary. These adjustments shall be read at a Post or Executive Committee meeting and attached to the minutes.

**From: Section 11, Funeral Committee:** The Funeral Committee shall consist of three (3) members appointed by the Post Commander to perform the following: (a) whenever a member of this Post dies, the Post Commander shall have the duty to contact the relatives of the deceased to offer whatever assistance and comfort can be given; (b) provide a suitable memorial piece or donation in lieu of a memorial piece which shall be sent in the name of the Post to a charity of the family's or relative's choice, such donation shall not exceed the amount established by the General Membership and entered into the minutes; (c) a Firing Squad may be provided, if possible, and in consonance with the wishes of the family or relatives. This Post shall make every effort to conduct services for the deceased member at the wake and at the grave side in accordance with the rituals of The American Legion and the wishes of the family and relatives.

**To: Section 11, Funeral Committee:** The Funeral Committee shall consist of the **Chaplain plus** three (3) members appointed by the Post Commander to perform the following: (a) whenever a member of this Post dies, the **Chaplain** shall have the duty to contact the relatives of the deceased to offer whatever assistance and comfort can be given; (b) provide a suitable memorial piece or donation in lieu of a memorial piece which

shall be sent in the name of the Post to a charity of the family's or relative's choice, such donation shall not exceed the amount established by the General Membership and entered into the minutes; (c) a Firing Squad may be provided, if possible, and in consonance with the wishes of the family or relatives. This Post shall make every effort to conduct services for the deceased member at the wake and at the grave side in accordance with the rituals of The American Legion and the wishes of the family and relatives.

**From: Section 16, By-Laws Committee:** This committee shall consist of five (5) members with two members being the Judge Advocate (chairperson), the Parliamentarian, and three (3) members, one appointed annually by the Post Commander. The By-Laws Committee shall review all requested changes to the By-Laws. All changes shall be presented to the committee for review and recommendation prior to being presented to the Post membership. The committee shall ensure copies of the By-Laws are available at the Post during the year.

**To: Section 16, By-Laws Committee:** This committee shall consist of a minimum of four (4) members with three (3) members being the Judge Advocate (chairperson), the Parliamentarian, and the Finance Officer, and one (1) appointed annually by the Post Commander. The By-Laws Committee shall review all requested changes to the By-Laws. All changes shall be presented to the committee for review and recommendation prior to being presented to the Post membership. The committee shall ensure copies of the By-Laws are available at the Post during the year.

**Section 17, Committee Member Attendance:** Members who have missed three (3) consecutive meetings or whose erratic attendance in the opinion of the committee will be asked to resign.

## ARTICLE XV

### Rules of Order

**From: Section 5, Motions or Resolutions:** No motion or resolution involving the appropriation or expenditure of money in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100), whether moneys on hand or to be received, except the motion for the adoption of the Annual Budget, shall be in order unless the appropriation or expenditure is approved by three-fourths (3/4) of the members present at a meeting of which a notice stating the proposed appropriation or expenditure shall be sent to each member of this Post. (See Article X Section 1)

**To: Section 5, Motions or Resolutions:** No motion or resolution involving the appropriation or expenditure of money in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1000), whether moneys on hand or to be received, except the motion for the adoption of the Annual Budget, shall be in order unless the appropriation or expenditure is approved by three-fourths (3/4) of the members present at a meeting of which a notice stating the proposed appropriation or expenditure shall be sent to each member of this Post. (See Article X Section 1)

## ARTICLE XVIII

### Changes to the By-Laws

**From: Section 1, Amendments:** The By-Laws of this Post may be amended, repealed, or added to at any regular or special meeting by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members in good standing (minimum of 15) attending such meeting, provided that notice of the general nature of the proposed action is stated in the call for the meeting. (See Article X Section 1)

**To: Section 1, Amendments:** The By-Laws of this Post may be amended, repealed, or added to at any regular or special meeting by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members in good standing (minimum of 8) attending such meeting, provided that notice of the general nature of the proposed action is stated in the call for the meeting. (See Article X Section 1)



**Section 3, Abrogation:** These By-Laws and all changes thereto made on this date, **TBD**, abrogate all previous By-Laws, changes, revisions, alterations, and additions.

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**POST HISTORIAN'S REPORT: NO REPORT**

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**SERVICE OFFICER'S REPORT:**

Once again, we had great donations, our Chaplin has brought several donations of tonic and water along with non-perishable foods. My wife and I also donated several cases of non-perishable foods and clothing to the Liberty House. They again were very pleased.

My friends from the Airport Dinner in Manchester, also donated items for the Liberty House, we meet for lunch once a month, they are all Air Force Veterans. The Liberty House sent down two members to help unload. This was a great help.

Let's Remember We Are All Veteran's Helping Veteran's

**Bob Courtemanche**

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**MEMBERSHIP\_–**

**GOAL FOR POST # 3 IS ( 242 )**

**Members Paid to Date 183 75.62%**

**DISTRICT 2 MEETING –**

The next District Meeting will be held on Thursday 17 Jan 2019 in Wilton @ 7 PM

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR -

### Honoring the fallen

I would like to thank the Nashua Telegraph and Dean Shalhoup for the excellent article in the Dec. 3 2018, issue about Pearl Harbor Day ceremonies. It is vitally important that we publicize what the veteran's organizations in the city do to honor our fallen comrades in arms. The American Legion, VFW and DAV participate in this ceremony every year, as well as the Memorial Day and Veterans Day parades. Before the two annual parades at 8 a.m. in the morning, they also participate in wreath laying ceremonies at the local veteran's memorials and cemeteries. These ceremonies are not well known, are sparsely attended and publicized, but are very important part of the annual Memorial Day and Veterans Day tributes to those who fought for our country's freedom. Information about which memorials and/or cemeteries will be visited in the morning can be found in the "general orders" for parades that is submitted to the Telegraph prior to the parade day by the mayors "Veterans parade committee". I would also like to recognize the Nashua Elks and the Boy Scouts for their outstanding work of placing American flags at the grave markers of fallen veterans at our local cemeteries on Memorial Day and Veterans Day. Thanks Again Telegraph. Keep up the good work.

Signed:

Donald P. Vincent

Adjutant/Historian

(This Article was published in the Telegraph)



## SAL -

SAL meeting is held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7 PM



## AUXILIARY -

**Membership Chairman** Just a note to say thank you to all who have renewed their membership for 2019. The memberships have been sent to Department. Our Goal for this year is 65 members. we now have 41 members. 63%

Our next meeting will be on January 8<sup>th</sup> at Harriet Lemery's house @ 7:00 PM.

## VETERANS' COFFEE CLUB –

The Veterans Coffee Club is held every second Tuesday of the month: Next meeting is Tuesday, 8 January 2019, 2:00 pm at the Nashua Senior Center. Guest speakers will present information of interest to military veterans. Join the group in the Coffee Talk Lounge. The talks are free and open to the public.

Hosted by Barney Barbera

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## ADOPT-A-VET



### **Paul A. Tilden is initiated into Post 3 under the Adopt-a-Vet program**

*Displaying his certificate of initiation and a copy of the preamble to the Legion constitution, are, from left, Donald Vincent, the post adjutant Tilden, and John York, the post commander.*

A detail from James E. Coffey Post 3, American Legion, held an initiation ceremony for Paul A. Tilden, a resident of the New Hampshire Veterans' Home in Tilton. NH.

Under the American Legion, Department of NH "Adopt-A-Vet" program, Tilden was initiated as a new legionnaire and member of James E. Coffey Post 3, Nashua.

Tilden was born on Dec 21, 1923 in Haverhill, MA. He graduated from high school and had some college education. He served in the Army Air Corps from Feb 1943 through Oct 1945 as a bomb site mechanic.

He has been married to his wife, Barbara, for 48 years. He is a retired supervisor, has enjoyed scuba diving, mountain climbing, skiing and touring the country. Now at age, 95 he enjoys word search and conversation.