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VETERANS' HALL OF FAME



ROBERT BECKER

First Sergeant Robert Becker was born and raised in the Capital Region, where he was a member of the first graduating class of Niskayuna High School in 1959. He served in the United States Marine Corps from 1960-1966 and joined the USMC Reserves in 1966, where he served until his retirement in 1982.

First Sergeant Becker's service to his nation and fellow veterans continued upon his retirement from the Marine Corps, as he became a passionate advocate on behalf of veterans and their families. He is the Executive Legislative Director for the New York State Council of Veterans Organizations, representing more than two dozen veterans' organizations. He is committed and focused on improving the quality of life for all of our nation's veterans.

First Sergeant Becker is a past National Commandant and State Commandant of the Marine Corps League, as well as past Commandant of the Electric City Detachment and the Capt. Wm. Dale O'Brien Detachment. He is the past Commander of American Legion Post 1092 and DAV Chapter 88. He has served as the President of the Schenectady County Veterans Council, where he currently serves as adjutant. He was also the National Marine Corps League Legislative Chairman for 18 years and served as Co-Chairman of the National Marine Corps League's 95th Convention in Buffalo, New York.

He currently serves as the Chairman of the Rotterdam Veterans Committee and is a member of the Fleet Reserve Association, AMVETS, and the Rotterdam Elks. He is also an usher at St. Luke's Church.

First Sergeant Becker has been recognized with numerous awards and commendations, both for his outstanding service and for his continuing advocacy on behalf of his fellow veterans. He received the Distinguished Service Award from the United States Marine Corps. In 2011, he was named State and National Marine of the Year. In 1997, he was awarded the Four Chaplains Humanitarian Award and in 2018, he received the Four Chaplains Brotherhood Award.

First Sergeant Becker has served his nation and fellow veterans admirably, and his efforts have had a tremendous impact and improved the lives of so many veterans throughout the state and nation.



**ROBERT BECKER IS NAMED TO
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BY SENATOR GEORGE A. AMEDORE, JR.**

