

**Veterans of Foreign Wars
Department of Louisiana
95th Annual State Convention
June 18, 19, 20, and 21, 2026**

The Hotel Bentley in Alexandria & Randolph Riverfront Convention Center

Thursday, June 18, 2026

4:30pm - 5:30pm	Pre-Paid Registration (VFW Only) Banquet Tickets, Dinner Tickets	Lobby Bentley Hotel
5:00pm	Council of Administration	Bentley Ball Room
6:00pm	Committee Meetings	Bentley Ball Room
6:00pm	Hospitality Room – Bentley Beauregard	2nd Floor

Friday, June 19, 2026

Dress: Business Casual or Commanders Shirt

7am – 9am	Breakfast	Bentley Claiborne Room
8:30am - 11:30am	Registration	Convention Hall Entrance A
9:00am – 10:15 am	Suicide Prevention (Informal)	Convention Hall A-C
9:00am - 10:15am	QM Training - QM General Marc Garduno	Bentley Ball Room
10:15am – 10:30am	Break	
10:30am – 11:30am	Awards Presentation - Membership - POW/MIA	Convention Hall A-C
11:30AM – 1:00PM	Lunch (Fundraiser for Sonja Lambert)	Bentley Ball Room
1:00pm – 3:30pm	1 st Business Session <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Reading of Convention Rules● Awards Presentation Continued<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Community Service● 1st Nominations of State Officers	Convention Hall A-C
1:00pm – 5:00pm	Pastalaya Cook Off Begins	Bentley Outside Patio
4:00pm - 5:00pm	By Laws Committee Meeting	Bentley Bayou Roberts Rm (2 nd Fl)
4:00pm – 5:00pm	Memorial Service	Convention Hall A-C
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Incoming Leadership Meeting - Arends	2nd Floor Bayou Roberts Room
5:00pm	Pastalaya Judging	Bentley Outside Patio
6:30pm	Aux Fundraiser Dinner	Bentley Ball Room
	Hospitality Room – Bentley Beauregard 2nd Floor	

Saturday, June 20, 2026

Casual or Business Casual dress for membership, Blue and Grays or Suits and Ties for District
Commanders and Line Officers.

7:00am – 9:00am	Breakfast	Bentley Claiborne Room
8:30am - 11:30am	Registration	Convention Hall Entrance A
9:00am – 11:30am	Joint Opening	Convention Hall A-C

10:00am - 3:00pm	Blood Mobile	Convention Center
11:30am - 1:00pm	Lunch Uncle Larry Seafood	Main Ball Room Bentley
11:30am - 1:00pm	Past State Commanders Luncheon	2nd Floor Bayou Roberts Room
11:30am - 1:00pm	Past State Presidents Luncheon	2nd Floor Alexandra Room
11:30am - 1:00pm	Woman Veterans Luncheon	2nd Floor Bentley Boardroom
12:30pm - 3pm	Registration Ends 3:00pm	Convention Hall Entrance A
1:15pm - 3:30pm	2 nd Business Session	Convention Hall A-C
	- Department ByLaws	
	- 2 nd Nomination of State Officers	
	- Election of State Officers	
6:00pm - 8:30pm	VFW/Auxiliary Awards Banquet	Convention Hall A-C
8:30pm - Midnight	Commander / President Reception	Bentley 2nd Floor Claiborne Room

Sunday, June 21, 2026

Casual or Business Casual dress for membership, Blue and Grays or Suit and Ties for District Commanders and Line Officers.

7:00am - 9:00am	Breakfast	Bentley Claiborne Room
10:00am	Joint Installation Ceremony	Bentley Ball Room
	Ray Bass officially appointed as installing officer	