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Post Everlasting

Joseph Caouette Chairman Emeritus, Americanism Commission 1929—2018

It is with heavy heart I share that our comrade and distinguished Legionnaire, Joseph E. Caouette, of Rollinsford, New Hampshire, was called from our midst on December 24, 2018, and has gone to the great Commander of us all in Post Everlasting.

Joe was 89 years old and a Korean War veteran in the U.S. Marine Corp and Honorary Life member of American Legion Post No. 47 in Rollinsford, New Hampshire. Joe was a proud Legionnaire for 68 years.

The Department of New Hampshire shares that Joe was a Past National Vice Commander, Past Department Commander, and held office in almost every seat at the district and post levels. Joe was best known for his work on numerous committees, both department and national committees. His work on the National Americanism Commission as Chairmen for many years stands out. During his tenure on that Commission, Joe enhanced the Oratorical programs by assisting with starting the first ever Junior Oratorical Contest in the Department of New Hampshire. He was instrumental in also enhancing the American Legion Baseball program both in the Department of New Hampshire and at the National level. His extraordinary service was commended when he was given the honor of appointment as Chairman Emeritus of the National Americanism Commission in 2013.

Joe was also active in the town of Rollinsford. He became postmaster of the Rollinsford and Somersworth post offices. He was the town moderator for many years, as well as serving in various positions including Town Selectman and Zoning Board commissioner.

Joe's faith was very important to him. He was a lifelong member of St. Mary's Parish in Rollinsford, where he served as a lector, Eucharistic Minister, member of the pastoral council, and chair of the 150th anniversary committee.

The full notice of Joe's funeral arrangements is available on the Tasker Funeral Home website at www.taskerfh.com/obituary/joseph-caouette. In that notice it states Joe made request that in his remembrance those who wish to display the United States flag. Joe will always be remembered as a true American patriot.

Mindful of your service so nobly done,
Rest in eternal peace and farewell,
our friend, Legionnaire and comrade,
Joseph E. Caouette.

Richard W. Anderson
RICHARD W. ANDERSON, Chairman
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