

KISHWAUKEE VA CONNECTIONS COLLEGE

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Steve Korth (right) with John Gruben (left) at the 2022 Veterans Day Ceremony at Kishwaukee College



Pictured above left to right: Charles Harding, Ronald Elliot, Dr. Fly, Prof. Larry Johannson, Chris Swanson; circa 1969-1970 Charter of the original Kish Vet's Club

Spotlight a Vet Steve Korth

Steve Korth of Kirkland, Illinois served in the Army from 1966 through 1969, Sergeant E5 Co. A, 447th Sig Bn. He is a graduate of Kishwaukee College and founded the first ever Kish Vet's Club circa 1969. His grandfather served in WWI and his father and three uncles served in WWII. One of his uncles was lost when his plan went down off the coast of Okinawa. His brother also served two tours in Vietnam. After Basic Training at Fort Campbell, KY, home of the 101st Airborne for 8 weeks, Mr. Korth tested and qualified for Officers Candidate School (OCS) however since he did not have 20/20 vision he was not able to continue on that path. He next served at Fort Knox for Wheeled Vehicle Mechanics and was "Honor Graduate" of the class of 220 men. The next stop was Pruem, Germany with a choice of which company to be assigned. Steve chose "A" company and was promoted to Sergeant, E5 and Motor Sergeant in charge of the Company "A" motor pool after one month. After Mr. Korth left Germany, he passed on an offer to work in Europe to come home and attend college. He enrolled at Kishwaukee College in the Fall of 1969. While at Kish he met his wife of 53 years, Kathy, who also graduated from Kish. Steve and Kathy Korth currently reside in Lindenwood, IL where they raised two wonderful daughters. He has served in multiple leadership roles, including Commander of the Rochelle American Legion Post #403.

> Thank you Steve Korth for your service to our country, and your continued support of Kishwaukee College and the Veteran community.



Page 15, 1969-70 Kishwaukee College "Expansion" Yearbook: Vets on campus this year, working as a group, became the prime movers when it came to organizing campus events Among the activities the Vets sponsored were a car smash, Halloween mixer, car stickers and the spring dance as well as participated in other campus events. Steve Korth pictured in third row, 4th from the left.





History Corner

National Guard

December 13, 1636

The National Guard of the United States is a joint activity of the US Dept of Defense composed of reserve components of the US Army (Army National Guard) and the US Air Force (Air National Guard.) It is the oldest component of the Armed Forces of the United States.

Interested in joining the Kishwaukee College Veterans Advocacy Club? Kish is in search of students who want to give back and support Veterans at Kish and in the community. You do not need to be a Veteran or current member of the military to join. Please reach out to Greg Putra at aputra@kish.edu for more information.

Important information regarding your Veteran Benefits:

+The COVID waiver expired June 1, 2022. For Chapter 33 benefits you now must have at least one course in-residence (in-person or hybrid) to qualify for the maximum Housing Allowance benefit. Asynchronous coursework and synchronous coursework count as distance learning (all online). Full-time enrollment (12 or more credits) also qualifies for full MHA.

+Additionally, this also means that all remedial courses taken (less than 100 level) MUST be in-person. Online remedial courses are not covered by Federal Veteran Benefits. State benefits may cover online remedial coursework. Check with the Financial Aid office for more information.

+A request for benefits form MUST be submitted each semester you wish to utilize Veteran Benefits for your training.