

VFW National Home for Children

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Al Cantu Jr. Elected as Newest Trustee



Eaton Rapids, Mich. – The VFW National Home for Children Board of Trustees voted Eliseo “Al” Cantu Jr. to represent the Departments of Arkansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas as the District 10 Trustee on an interim basis. Cantu will serve out the remainder of recently resigned trustee Roy Ator’s term.

Cantu, Life Member of Post 2397, is a past Department of Texas Commander. He also served as District 6 Commander, State Convention Chairman, State Surgeon, National Aid-de-Camp, and National Veterans Care Committee. In addition, Cantu is a recipient of the J.T Rutherford Award and named an All American District Commander.

Cantu served in the U.S Army from 1958-1978, serving in Korea, Germany, and Vietnam, and retiring with the rank of Major. Among his many medals and decorations are the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Army Commendation Medal with OLC, Good Conduct Medal with 2 OLC, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with 3 Bronze Stars, RVN Gallantry Cross with Palm Ribbon, RVN Campaign Medal and Parachutist Badge.

Cantu and his wife Alma reside in Corpus Christi, Texas. They raised three children and have one granddaughter, three grandsons, and three great granddaughters.

The VFW National Home for Children is governed by a Board of Trustees. Members of the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary who are Life Members of the National Home elect the trustees. There are 12 elected Trustees and five ex-officio members from the VFW and its Ladies Auxiliary National leadership. Trustees are elected for six-year terms and meet at least three times a year to conduct their responsibilities of oversight and policy setting. Duties of the trustees also include traveling, speaking and fundraising in support of the National Home.

Since 1925 the VFW National Home for Children has provided Help, Hope and Honor for the children and families of our nation’s military and veterans. For more information please call (517) 663-1521, toll-free at (800) 424-8360 or visit www.vfnationalhome.org.

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