

Marty Eddy Michigan Coordinator

Marty Eddy has served as the Michigan Coordinator for the National League of Families of American Prisoners & Missing in S E Asia since January 2009. She has attended annual meetings of the League since 1989, missing only three prior to the pandemic.

She also has served as Secretary/Treasurer and board member for the POW Committee of Michigan since 2014 and is a twice past president of that organization, having served from 1987 to 2003 and again from 2008 to 2014. She was the first and only non-POW/MIA family member to be elected president of the Committee.

Marty was appointed to the Michigan Vietnam Monument Commission by Governor John Engler in 1992 and served until the monument completion and dedication in 2001. She is an at-large Associate Member of Vietnam Veterans of America.

In December 1992, Marty represented the POW Committee of Michigan on a panel of witnesses called to testify before the Senate Select Committee on POW/MIA Affairs regarding efforts to educate the public about the POW/MIA issue; grassroots lobbying on behalf of POWs & MIAs and their families; and the need for the fullest possible accounting of unreturned veterans of the Vietnam War.

Military service is a tradition in Marty's family. One of her brothers served in the U.S. Army in Vietnam and another brother served in the U.S. Army in Desert Shield/Desert Storm. Her paternal grandfather served in the U.S. Marine Corps just prior to WWI; her paternal uncle served in the U.S. Army in WWII; and her stepfather served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. Various extended family members have served in the U.S. Armed Forces as well. A friend of the family, U.S. Army Special Forces Sgt. Daniel Pitzer, was captured by enemy forces during the Vietnam War and held as a POW from October 29, 1963 to November 11, 1967.

Marty worked for WTVS/Detroit Public Television (PBS) from 1982-2009. She is currently retired and lives in southeast Michigan.