Scott Swinford served honorably in the US Army from 1981 to 1986, attaining the rank of Sergeant. He earned his VFW eligibility as a Military Policeman with the 260<sup>th</sup> Military Police Company, 728<sup>th</sup> Military Police Battalion at Camp Carroll, Korea.

Scott is a Life member of Hall-Evey Post 4186 in Clinton, IL where he has served as Post Quartermaster and is currently Post Commander. As a Post Commander he has attained All-State honors twice. Scott has also served as the District 11 Commander three times, attaining All-State honors for the year 2019-2020.

He has an Associate's Degree in Law Enforcement from Central Texas College. His military education includes US Army Military Police School, Fort McClellan, AL; DOD Patrol Dog Handler Course, DOD Patrol/Narcotics Dog Handler Course, both at Lackland AFB, TX and Primary Leadership Development Course, Bad Tolz, Germany.

Scott has been an Insurance Agency manager, a Systems Administrator, a software trainer and installer and was a member of the National Board of Directors for the National Data Group, a computer user group for Insurance agencies using a specific automation platform. Most recently Scott has worked in the Convenience Store industry as both a General Manager and District Manager.

Family is a top priority for him. Scott and his wife Mary, between them have 6 children (including 1 deceased), 2 of which are also VFW members, 17 grandchildren (including 1 deceased) and 28 Great grandchildren, (including 1 deceased).

Scott is a Life member of the Military Order of the Cootie and Darvin Volkert AMVETS Post 14 and a member Crang-Bennet American Legion Post 103. He is a member of the DeWitt County American Poolplayers Association, Dad Joe Smith's Muzzleloading Club and the Mackinaw Valley Longrifles.