# Save the Date

# **Department Testimonial**

in honor of

Department Commander Bill and

**Department President Mary Jane** 

# And meet

National President Sandi Kriebel and Past National Commander John Biedrzycki Saturday, April 13, 2019

Nashua Radisson, 11 Tara Blvd, off of Spit Brook Rd,

Rooms \$104 (includes tax), ask for NH VFW rooms

Social Hour 5 p.m, Dinner 6 p.m.

\$40 per person (only tables of 8 will be reserved) Testimonial gifts for MJ (checks made out to MJ) should be sent to Cathie Chevalier at 1360 Independence Ave, Melbourne, FL 32940 And gifts for Bill (make checks out to Bill) should be sent to Sr Vice

Chris Peirce at 1 Ashley Dr., Newton, NH 03858.

See you there! Paul and Cathie Chevalier, Chairmen

# TESTIMONIAL BANQUET In honor of State Commander Bill Ryan and State President Mary Jane Ryan

Ticket Reservation Form Must be postmarked no later than March 29, 2019

> RADISSON HOTEL Savannah, Spit Brook Rd, Nashua, NH

## \$40.00 Per Person

Saturday, April 13, 2019 - Wentworth Ballroom

Reception 5:15 pm –5:55 pm, Banquet seating 6:00 pm, Dinner 6:30

NAME:	TITLE:	
VFW / Aux name, number and location:		
Home or cell phone number:		
Number of Tickets Requested	x \$40.00 =	_ Total Enclosed

Please make checks payable to Department of NH VFW and mail with this form to: NH VFW Quartermaster Greg Lynch, PO Box 267, Kingston, NH 03048

First and Last Names and dinner choice (<u>beef or fish</u>) of <u>all</u>, for whom tickets are purchased, must be listed below. Tables will only be reserved for parties of 8 who purchase their tickets together. Please print clearly.

First Name	Last Name	Dinner Choice

REMEMBER - Your order form and payment must be postmarked by Friday, March 29, 2019 LUNCH AT THE BRIDGES HOUSE

## With NATIONAL PRESIDENT SANDI KRIEBEL

#### What is the Bridges House?

The Bridges House was gifted to the State of New Hampshire in 1969 by former Governor and United States Senator, Styles Bridges. Over recent years, it has been renovated and restored to its former beauty.

The New Hampshire Governor's Mansion, is known as The Bridges House. The Bridges House, located at 21 Mountain Road in Concord, the capital of New Hampshire, has served as the governor's official residence since 1969. We believe this property is being managed in precisely the way Styles Bridges intended when he and his family donated the home to the state.

### History of The Bridges House

A historically and architecturally significant home built in 1835, The Bridges House is located in East Concord, New Hampshire. The house is listed on both the New Hampshire and the National Register of Historic Places.

Styles Bridges was a self-made man and legendary politician who lived in this home with his family. He was a wellknown and respected political leader in New Hampshire, serving as New Hampshire Governor from 1935 to 1937 and US Senator from 1937 to 1961.

Styles Bridges never forgot his roots. First and foremost, he was a gentleman farmer. At one point, the property was a working farm with vegetables and livestock.

But don't underestimate this farmer from New England. Not only did he serve on the powerful Appropriations Committee, he was also deeply involved in the Manhattan Project, the development of the atomic bomb used to help win World War II.

### When You Visit

Inside the house you'll learn about some of the men and women who have led our state and the contributions they made to preserve this property. This home opens the doors to our past and the people who have come before us. Inside is a blend of old New England and new architecture; colonial artifacts sit alongside historic items unique to the story of the people of New Hampshire.

Once inside you will learn how The Bridges House was used in the past and how it is used today. There are objects of great interest and stories that bring this wonderful home to life.

The Bridges House serves as the setting for many official state functions held by the Governor. Conferences are held here with legislators, civic and business leaders, and visiting dignitaries from around the nation and the world. The public is welcomed to the house for events such as holiday tree lightings, concerts and tours as well as backyard summertime outings.

### Join us for lunch!

If you would like to come to lunch with our National President, Sandi Kriebel, and take this opportunity to see the inside of the Bridges House for yourself, please contact Cathie Chevalier by email at <u>vfwauxnh@aol.com</u> or by phone at 603-498-9333 (leave a message if no answer). The cost for lunch will most likely be \$20 per person but we will update this information as we get closer to the date. VFW members are encouraged to join us for lunch. Seating will be limited so please reply asap. We will also be going out to dinner in Nashua on Friday evening (ordering off the menu

On Friday evening, the 12<sup>th</sup>, we will be going out to dinner with Sandi and Past National Commander John Biedrzycki, want to join us? Call or email Cathie – <u>vfwauxnh@aol.com</u>, 603-498-9333.



The sitting room at the Bridges House.