



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS

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Glenn W. Sutphin Jr.

Retired Army Lieutenant Colonel Glenn W. Sutphin Jr. was appointed Executive Director of the Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs by Gov. Rick Scott and the Cabinet Aug. 2, 2016. The Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs, on behalf of the Governor and Cabinet, is the premier point of entry for Florida veterans to access earned services, benefits and support.

The Florida Senate unanimously confirmed Colonel Sutphin as executive director on May 5, 2017, during the 2017 Florida Legislative Session.

Colonel Sutphin served as Legislative Affairs Director and Chief of Staff for the Florida Department of Military Affairs from March 1999 until his appointment as FDVA Interim Executive Director on April 26, 2016.

He entered active duty service as an enlisted soldier in 1969, received his commission as a Field Artillery Officer, and finished his military service in the Florida National Guard. The colonel, who is qualified in five branches of the Army, led soldiers in seven operational deployments during his 30 years in uniform before retiring in 1999.

The colonel's civilian education includes a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration from the University of South Florida and a Master of Science degree in Business Management from Central Michigan University.

His personal awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, three Meritorious Service Medals, three Army Commendation Medals, an Army Achievement Medal and four Humanitarian Service Medals. He is a recipient of several National Guard decorations, including the Florida Cross, the Florida National Guard's highest award. In addition, he is a recipient of the Order of Saint Barbara from the U.S. Field Artillery Association and the Bronze Order of Mercury from the Signal Corps Regimental Association.

Glenn and his wife, Kay, have one grown daughter, Katrina.

(As of May 2017)