

Debbie Maund Chaplain, District 1 Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

CH (CPT) Deborah J. Maund (formerly Deborah J. Culver) began her career enlisting in the Army Reserves on 15 March 1990 in Norwich, CT. She is a graduate of the Chaplain Officer Basic Course, Senior Unit Ministry Team Orientation Course. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree (Cum Laude) in Organizational Management from Northwest University, Kirkland, Washington; and a Master of Divinity degree from Fuller Theological Seminary (Seattle).

In November 2013, she was fully accessed as an Army Reserve Chaplain. During her first assignment, she served as the Battalion Chaplain for the 494 Brigade Support Battalion (under the 301st MEB). She was most excited about her Cross-Fit Chapel Program and her Suicide Prevention Program with custom unit Suicide Prevention cards. In 2016, she was by-name-requested to serve as the Deputy Division Chaplain at the 104 Training Division (LT) at Joint Base-Lewis McChord and serves as the Family Life Chaplain (West) for the 88th Readiness Division out of Ft McCoy, Wisconsin.



In 2008, fresh back from Iraq, she joined VFW Post 1561 but seminary, Army Reserves, and a full-time job kept her from connecting more with her new VFW family. However, on that fateful day in May 2015, she bumped into a ragtag group of comrades from Post 1561 at the Commissary in Smokey Point, Washington. The group was doing a poppy drive and she returned the next day to help. That moment, she adopted a new unit. She adopted a new family. She adopted new brothers and sisters from the post and from the auxiliary. Her goal was never to be an official VFW chaplain. She just wanted to connect with fellow veterans and authentically care for them, pray for them, and know that they cared for her too. In 2016, she was asked to be the post chaplain. Soon after she was asked to serve as District chaplain and she has been serving with the VFW ever since. She has conducted last rites, funerals, parades and Facebook Live videos during poppy drives. She is grateful and excited to serve such a warm VFW family with open arms.

That same year, while attending Post 2100's 85th birthday party, she saw the VFW community gathered there like a church. At that moment, a new calling and passion began. She began a veteran church and ministry called Veterans For Worship (V4W). She and her husband were sitting in the bar. She is known to say that every good ministry begins in a bar. She also reminds her VFW family that when you ask a real Army chaplain to be a VFW chaplain, you're going to get more than you bargained for. She has led a Sunday Remembrance Service the Sunday before Memorial Day and holds an annual Christmas Breakfast and Chapel Service that you should never miss!!

As a civilian, she has worked for the Internal Revenue Service since 1991. She began as a GS-3 clerk. In 2018 she began her current position as an IRS National Customer Advocate for Facilities Management and Security Services, GS-13.

Her awards and decorations include:

Iraq campaign medal w/ two Campaign Stars, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal (2nd award), Army Achievement Medal (4th award), Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (3rd award), National Defense Service, Medal (2nd award), Global war on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Armed Reserve Medal w/ M Device, Armed Forces Reserve Medal

She married Bob Maund in 1993. They have no children of their own; however, as a girl, family said her dream was to be a mom of kids all over the world. As a chaplain, she certainly guides and shepherds the military community and veterans from places like Korea, Africa, and Mexico.





District 1 Chaplain and Post 1561 Chaplain

