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**Subject:** Monthly deceased scrub of all VFW Members by Lexus Nexus

Comrades,

Something that was brought to my attention this afternoon regarding the scrub of deceased members over the last several years and a possible lack of notification from us at National to each Department. Our last major scrub of deceased members by our contracted company Lexus Nexus was conducted last year for all VFW members 75 and younger. Since then, Lexus Nexus has been doing a monthly scrub of our entire database. This will continue to happen into the foreseeable future.

It is imperative that you inform all Posts in your Department that the VFW is doing a monthly scrub and yes there is an error rate, it is very small however, there will be times that member still living will be reported as deceased. Members that are listed as deceased will show up in the Post Query on OMS.

In the past we have required proof of life however, that is no longer the case. We will take your word for it that you have verified they are still alive by communicating with them (Seances do not count). It may take us a day or two to double check and verify before we resurrect them and get them placed back on the rolls at your Post.

Should you have any questions please let me know.

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