



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Michael Pascal

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**Award:** Honoring Our Veterans

**Year:** 2014

Michael Pascal served in the United States Army from 1966 thru 1969. He served a tour in Germany with HHC, 1st Brigade, 24th Infantry Division, and also with Alfa Company, 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment and 24th Infantry Division. It was from this Unit, at Fort Riley, Kansas, that Mr. Pascal was sent to Vietnam.

In Vietnam, Mr. Pascal served with the 588th Direct Support, an Ordinance Company, based in Chu Lai, I Corp., as part of the Da Nang support operation. The 588th supported the American Division, 108th Artillery Group, and elements of the 1st Cavalry, 82nd and 101st Airborne Divisions.

In 1973, Mr. Pascal and his family relocated from the Flatbush section of Brooklyn to Medford, Long Island, where they have resided for the past forty-one years.

In 1977, Mr. Pascal joined the Veterans of Foreign Wars. His home post, #9486, located in Lake Ronkonkom a, is where he served as Post Commander. Mr. Pascal went on to be elected Suffolk County Council Commander, and several years later was elected District One Commander. He has served the Department of New York as Chief of Staff, and went on to be elected State Commander, 2013-2014, at the VFW Department Convention, held in Buffalo on June 15, 2013.

Mr. Pascal's compassion for supporting his fellow veterans is evident by his VFW Special Project, "Homeless Veterans." He is also extremely supportive of Suicide Prevention for Veterans and is passionate about the PFC Joseph Dwyer Program.

Mr. Pascal's theme for his year as State Commander is "Pride, Honor, Compassion, Veterans Helping Veterans."