Dennis James Becker Commander, American Legion Post 205 Bluffton, South Carolina August 1, 1943 to June 23, 2013







Dennis Becker, the only Commander of American Legion Post 205 in Bluffton, South Carolina since its inception in 2005, passed away on June 23, 2013 at the Coastal Carolina Medical Center in Hardeeville. Dennis took the leadership in creating the most active post in Beaufort County. His legacy includes a membership of greater than sixty veterans.

Dennis was born in Chicago, Illinois in 1943. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps on August 25, 1960. He attained the rank of Lance Corporal prior to his discharge on August 24, 1964. During his enlistment in the marines, Dennis was awarded the Good Conduct Medal and the Rifle Marksman Badge.



After his enlistment in the Marine Corps, he attained his bachelor's degree (BSEE) and became an electrical engineer. He worked in various positions in the Chicago and Boston area. Dennis retired and moved to Sun City in Bluffton in 2004. In addition to all his hard work as Commander of the post, Dennis was also a crossing guard with the Bluffton Police Department. He was a member of the Church of the Cross in Bluffton.



On Friday, June 28, 2013, Dennis was remembered at a ceremony at Saul's Funeral Home in Bluffton. He was then taken to the National Cemetery in Beaufort, South Carolina, where he was laid to rest with his other fellow veterans.

He is survived by his wife Helen and his two children, Jamie and Kristie. He had four grandchildren.



In 2010 at the installation of officers for another three year term, Dennis welcomed Commander Norma Walker, Department Commander and current Historian. Commander Walker administered the oath of office to the new Post 205 officers.