



Tom Fenner

Community & Military Liaison

at

Hospice of the Valley

21 April Guest Speaker

Since Its founding in 1977, the mission at Hospice of the Valley has remained the same: **bringing comfort and dignity as life nears its end**, working with patients and families to improve quality-of-life and make each day meaningful. In our 30-year-plus [history](#) as a not-for-profit organization, Hospice of the Valley has become recognized nationally as a leader in hospice care achieving our vision of **setting the standard of excellence for end-of-life care**.

Tom Fenner is the community and military liaison for Hospice of the Valley, the oldest and largest hospice in Arizona. Hospice of the Valley also is the largest not-for-profit hospice in the United States, serving more than 4,000 patients and families a day.

The agency developed the SALUTES program in late 2010 to offer veterans specialized end-of-life care and to recognize and thank them for their service. The program kicked off on Nov. 6, 2010, during the Glendale Celebrates Veterans event. Since then, SALUTES has honored more than 350 hospice patients who have served in the United States armed forces. Those honored include veterans from every branch of the service and survivors of WWII, the Korean and Vietnam wars, as well as those who served between the conflicts.

Mr. Fenner served in the United States Navy as a Machinist Mate aboard the USS Cowell (DD-547), a WWII-era Fletcher Class destroyer, and the USS Sanctuary (AH-17), a hospital ship stationed off Da Nang, South Vietnam. He is a member of the Glendale VFW and American Legion posts, and the West Valley Chapter of the Vietnam Veterans of America. He also serves as the Chairman of the Military / Veteran Affairs Committee for the Surprise Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Arizona MOAA Chapter's
21 April Luncheon
McCormick Ranch Club House
Social Hour 11:00 AM
Lunch 12:00 AM

Please RSVP with the Meal/Meeting Form in the April Sentinel
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