



**Vice President:**

**To all the New England Chapter IX John A Barnes III Members and Affiliates:**

**I would like to take the time to introduce myself to you as your Vice President / Chaplain. I was born and raised in Saugus, MA to Daniel and Roseann Roden, "Dan is also the Sergeant At Arms having served in B/4/503 68-69". In 1999 I joined the Army as an 11X ". I was told that the X meant airborne contract I did not know that 11X actually meant unassigned infantry" how wrong I was. My basic, A.I.T and Bradley training were all done at Ft Benning, GA were I was assigned as an 11M Mechanized Infantryman. I was assigned to C/1/22 4th ID at Ft Hood serving from 99-00, from 00-02 I was assigned to D/1/9 2nd ID Camp Hovey S. Korea, in Korea I Re-enlisted for Airborne training and from 02-04 was assigned to C/2/503 173rd ABN Caserma Ederly Italy, serving in Iraq from 03-04. After I returned home in late 04 i took jobs working construction and lobstering on the side. in 05 having missed the military took a position as an Active duty Guardsman as a 19D Cavalry Scout with B/1/182 out of Melrose, MA and J.F.H.Q Milford, MA. In 06-07 I deployed with B/1/182 Cav to the Balkans "Kosovo" in support of peacekeeping operations.**

**I currently live in Quincy, MA and still on active duty and have been married to my lovely "and patient" wife Kristen of 3 years.**

**I am very proud to have served and continue to serve with this distinguished group. I am equally proud of how hard everyone has worked to make this Chapter a continued success, We have come a very long way and still have work to do, as a Chapter we are growing by leaps and bounds weekly from membership to our website and everything in between, and I salute all of you for making this possible.**

**Airborne All the way! Chosen Few.**

**Sean M Roden**