Jack Wagner

Former Auditor-General of Pennsylvania

Jack Wagner is a veteran of the United States Marine Corps and a recipient of the Purple Heart and other military commendations for service in the Vietnam War between 1966 and 1968. After being discharged from the Marines, he attended Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP) and received a degree in Safety Management. He has served the city, county, and state as a member of Pittsburgh’s City Council (1983-1993), President of Pittsburgh City Council (1989-1992), State Senator (1994-2004) and Chairman of the Democratic Caucus, and Auditor-General of Pennsylvania (2005-2009). He has also been a candidate for Mayor of Pittsburgh, Lieutenant-Governor, and Governor of Pennsylvania.

In 1994, Mr. Wagner received IUP’s Distinguished Alumni Award for service to the community and the university. While in public office and as a private citizen, he has worked to preserve services for veterans. As Auditor-General of Pennsylvania, along with the VFW, he pushed to keep military stores in the state from closing. For 28 years, he as sponsored a guild fundraiser called “Sharing and Caring” to support disabled veterans of the community. Mr. Wagner is also a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Organization.