

The Elderly Brothers

Members of the Norfolk and Richmond Chapters of the Barbershop Harmony Society have come together to form The Elderly Brothers quartet that has a combined 160 years of experience!



Our Tenor, Mike Wallen, joined the Society in 1973. Mike was with the Alexandria Harmonizers for more than 20 years and was Associate Director. Since 1998 he has been with the Richmond Virginians serving as Director and taking the chorus to International Competition and many other exciting venues. Mike has sung all four of the voice parts in different quartets, including Alexander's Ragtime Band, Copyright '86, The Entertainers, Casino, Last Kids Picked, Youth Reclamation Project, Quirks of Art, and The Elderly Brothers. Mike retired from the U.S. Army and currently is a consultant for the Virginia Board of Bar Examiners.

Our Lead, Johnny Pollard, also joined Society in 1973. Johnny also has performed in several quality quartets over the years, including Commonwealth, Old Dominion Line, and The Elderly Brothers. He has performed with the Commodore Chorus for almost 50 years. Johnny is the owner of the Pollard's Chicken restaurant chain in the Hampton Roads. He has yet to fully retire.

Our Bass, Norm Barbee, joined the Society in 2000. He also performs with the Commodore Chorus, as well as The School Board quartet and The Elderly Brothers. He previously sang in the Chapter Four Quartet which was Division Novice Quartet Champion in 2000. Norm retired from the U.S. Navy, and later from Boeing Company. Norm currently is the Chapter Treasurer for the Norfolk Chapter.

Our Baritone, Bob Patterson, joined Society in 1983. He sings with the Norfolk Commodore Chorus and the Richmond Virginians Chorus. A retired government contractor, Bob has sung in several quartets, including Four Good Measure, Chord-on Blue, and The Elderly Brothers. Bob currently is the Marketing and Public Relations Vice President for the Norfolk Chapter and the Music and Performance Vice President for the Richmond Chapter.

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