



### **Mr. Stephen A. Estrada, Board Member**

Mr. Estrada has served on the Paralyzed Veterans of America, Bay Area & Western Chapter's Board of Directors since 2007 and as Treasurer from 2009 - 2021. His work history began with Hewlett Packard when he was accepted into HP's Junior Technician program during his Junior & Senior year of High School. After graduating he enlisted in the USAF for six years, and was assigned to the Strategic Air Command (SAC). During his time in SAC he worked on Jet Engine Propulsion Systems on B52's, KC-135'S, F4, and F-106 Aircraft. He was cockpit and run certified on these Aircrafts and his duties included: B52 Crew Chief, Jet Engine Technician, and then Program Analyst.

After Mr. Estrada's discharge he went to work for NASA at Ames Research Center in Mountain View (6 yrs.) and Apple Computer Inc. in Cupertino (17 yrs.). While working at NASA, he continued his education, achieving my BS in Computer Science.

In November 2000, Mr. Estrada was in a motorcycle accident which resulted in his paralysis (T8 complete) and also sustained a Traumatic Brain Injury. He mentors new patients that have sustained a Spinal Cord Injuries at Santa Clara Valley Medical Center.