



Vietnam War Commemoration "SITREP"

Special Edition – 2018 in Review



"Join the Nation ... thank a Vietnam veteran!"

Friday, February 1

Dear Commemorative Partners,

Congratulations! Throughout 2018, you have *inspired millions* of Americans to publicly and individually thank and honor our From the **Republic of Korea** to **Quebec**, and in *each of our 56* territories, and the District of **unsung patriots**. In fact, you forever uplift the lives of **558** their **families** during **3,427**



Vietnam veterans and their families! **Saudi Arabia, Honduras** to states, commonwealths and Columbia, you have honored these galvanized friends and neighbors to **thousand Vietnam veterans** and events in 2018 alone!

While these numbers represent a small increase over 2017 commemorative events hosted, your after-action reports indicate **11 percent** more **Vietnam Veteran Lapel Pins** were presented to deserving individuals **around the world**. Your **positive impact** on the lives of these

men and women, and our entire Nation simply cannot be calculated!



Cumulatively, your **faithful efforts** in planning and hosting **15,113** events since 2012 have **helped our country**



recognize the **service and sacrifice** of our Vietnam veterans. Even more significantly, you have thus far publicly honored **2.3 million** of the 6.4 million Vietnam veterans, who according to the Department of Veterans Affairs are living today, along with millions of their family members. In the presence of **millions** of cheering Americans, your labors have **aided** their **healing from the scars** of the Vietnam War!



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We are *humbled by* and *thankful for* the commitment to this national initiative by *all of you* and ...

our national leaders,



President Trump presents the **Medal of Honor** to U.S. Marine Corps retired Sgt. Maj. John Canley for his gallant actions in Vietnam.

and the acting Secretary of Defense ...



during ceremonies large,

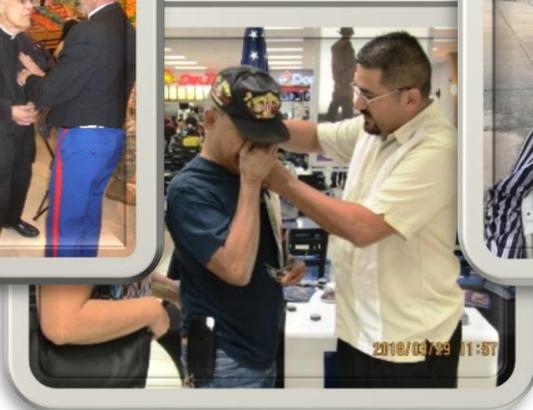


*and small ... with 100,000 Vietnam Veteran Lapel Pins distributed during the week of **March 29, National Vietnam War Veterans Day!***



by all ages ...

in Military Commissaries around the globe ...



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thru **149** Oral History interviews (**607** total to date) ...

during Rolling Thunder ...



Maj. Gen. Eldon Bargewell, U.S. Army, Retired, awarded the **Distinguished Service Cross** for Extraordinary Heroism in Vietnam.

and **1,871** news outlets ...

in **37** state-level proclamations,



throughout **152** reunions,



and on ships, and in stadiums and churches ...





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via Honor Flights,

Certificate of Honor
presentations,



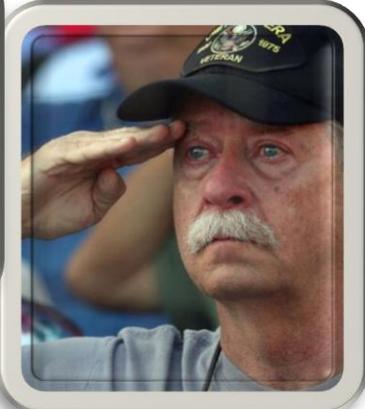
*and professional sports
"Salute to Service" tributes ...*



all evoking joy ...

pride ...

and healing.



Thank you, for serving as a "Proud Partner with The U.S.A. Vietnam War Commemoration!"