

# Vietnam War Commemoration “SITREP”

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“Join the nation ... thank a Vietnam veteran!”

Tuesday, March 27

*Dear Commemorative Partners,*



Thursday, March 29, marks [National Vietnam War Veterans Day!](#) We are excited to report that we know of at least **1,200 commemorative events** planned across the Nation, during which **Vietnam veterans and their families** will be **publicly and individually thanked and honored**.

Each of our **56** states, territories and the District of Columbia will participate, and **777** events will be hosted by Department of Veterans Affairs’ (VA) hospitals, clinics, Vet Centers, Mobile Vet Centers and national cemeteries located in every state of the union. **Thank you, VA!**

As you move about your communities, as well as participate in this day of remembrance, please be listening for **proclamations, public service announcements** and **media** coverage supporting our shared national resolve to venerate these patriots.

In Washington, D.C., the Deputy Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs will jointly **lay a wreath** at [The Vietnam Veterans Memorial](#), and then **present Vietnam Veteran Lapel Pins** to 14 Vietnam veterans who will proudly represent all who served during the Vietnam War period. We’re hopeful national media will cover this event and that it will be picked up by your local affiliates, so be sure to watch the news that night for a story!

Additionally, **232 Army & Air Force (AAFES), Marine Corps (MCX), and Navy (NEX) Exchanges, and Defense Commissaries (DeCA)** around the world are hosting events. Check out this shot – one of AAFES’ three “wrapped” trucks ready to roll. We hope you’ll see them and cheer as they travel the country this year! In addition, please take time to watch this [moving video](#) honoring Vietnam veterans that AAFES has created and posted.



Finally, our **remarkable Events team** has ensured **hundreds of thousands** of Vietnam Veteran Lapel Pins, Presidential Proclamations, Commemoration brochures, bumper stickers and more have successfully **been delivered in support of your March 29 events!** Once your events are complete, we encourage you to log into the [Partner Portal](#) and complete your **“after-action report.”** This will enable us to continue sharing the cumulative impact of your tremendous efforts.

Don’t forget, you can [download](#) and print our five **high-resolution posters** designed for **March 29**. Thank you, all – **Proud Partners with The U.S.A. Vietnam War Commemoration!**

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