



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,

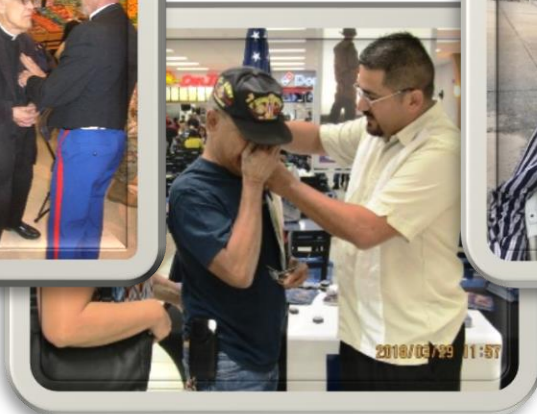
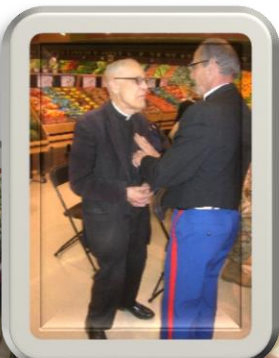


and small ... with 100,000 Vietnam Veteran Lapel Pins distributed during the week of March 29, National Vietnam War Veterans Day!



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,



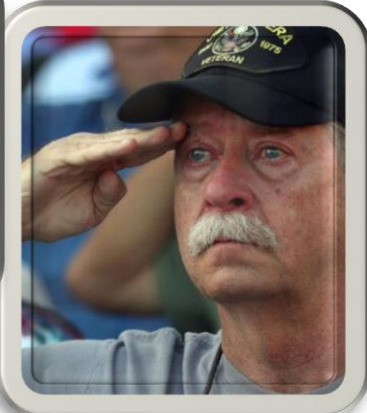
and professional sports "Salute to Service" tributes ...



all evoking joy ...

pride ...

and healing.



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