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Hi all. This president's letter has taken more time and more study than the very first one I had to write to get out of Dan & Vera's doghouse. It's the first one that Awb Norris isn't going to call me, e-mail me or write me a letter of praise about. We lost our Colonel just after the D.C. reunion, and many of us old timers are still staggering around in a daze when that subject comes up. This group, and many of the newbys, know just how great a man Awb was, He will never be replaced in our hearts as one of the greatest leaders of men in our history. His ability to make sure that every single soul was welcomed as a part of the whole of 22nd IRS and Vietnam Triple Deuce will be very hard to match, and it is the subject of this letter to you all.

At every reunion Awb would search out the first timers, the second timers and the eighth timers to make sure that they knew that they were special to him, and a valuable part of the organization from that day forward. He would talk of the importance of the group to those who were having trouble with facing their devils, and how we must all reach out to these fellow vets to make sure they realize how much help we are to each other. This is his legacy in my eyes.

From this day on, I want each and every one of us to make it our credo, our goal, our SOP (wow, I haven't used that word for a few decades) to follow Awb Norris' lead at every reunion, and in between them. His one phrase that always stuck with me was in reference to bringing in new members, "If we all bring one, we're twice as big." Let's do that first of all, and then let's all take his stance with that first timer or old timer who hasn't been back to a reunion for a while. Let's each be that guy's sponsor, if you will, making absolutely sure that he gets there, and then discovers just what this outfit is all about.

"Deeds, Not Words", Awb. We remember.

Dick Nash
A/HHC 69

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Mario Salazar HHC 2/22 65-67

Editor's Comments

Our sympathy and prayers go out to Dick Nash who was called away by the death of his sister. His outstanding comments were submitted in spite of personal turmoil. Ever the soldier.. A crisp fall day and a Harley. Nothing like it to put the mind and body at ease. As I rode in the surrounding area I appreciated the lush fields. This year we have had abundant rains and cool temperatures. If conditions remain favorable we could have a bountiful fall harvest. The majestic wind turbines tower above the plains. One of Kansas' plentiful natural resources being used to support the nations need for energy. A picturesque lake dotted with boats. A fisherman's paradise. So much to be thankful for and so many resources just waiting to be claimed.

My mind turns to the Triple Deuce..a Brotherhood of talented individuals who serve the mutual good. And, I believe, many untapped resources are just waiting to be harvested. How can you contribute to the 2/22? Is it you writing an article for the news letter, is it attending the mini reunion and planning for the Seattle reunion? Is it in your support of a Brother in need?

Whatever you are able to contribute to the organization; your efforts are and will continue to be appreciated.

Dan Streit
D68/69

The 22nd Infantry Regiment Society Reunion Seattle Washington Oct. 8,9,10, 11, 2009 The Marriott Seattle Airport

Come see the Emerald City, Seattle, WA, and the spectacular Pacific Northwest. You will be staying within 10 miles of downtown Seattle with its Space Needle, museums, the famous Pike's

Place Market, the beautiful Puget Sound, and much more all under the watchful eye of majestic Mount Rainer.

Visit Fort Lewis on our planned bus tour of the fort, the last place that 1/22, 2/22, and 3/22 were together under one command in 1966. We will have photo op. stops along the way. You Originals can have your pictures taken in front of your old barracks, which are scheduled to be dismantled in order to upgrade the fort and make way for the seven Striker Brigades that will be moving in over the next year or so. We will be making other stops around the fort—the Replacement Center, American Lake where the Triple Deuce did their amphibious training—now a lovely park, and the Fort Lewis Museum. Big changes are happening at the fort, and most will be completed by the time we arrive. It should be very interesting to witness a rebuilding of this famous old fort.

Relax in the best hospitality suite yet. You will be pleasantly surprised just how nice it is—all in one large terraced room on the main floor of the hotel. The rest of the hotel is very nice, with a Pacific NW feel to it. The main atrium has a large swimming pool with more terraced areas around it that provide for gatherings such as our Ladies Brunch. It's all rain proof under a spacious, light filled roof. The location of the hotel is right in the middle of all that is happening in the area. Transportation to and from the hotel is free. In fact, the airport is within walking distance, yet you hear no jets taking off or landing. There are other less expensive, but nice places to stay within a few blocks of the Marriott, as well as fast food, grocery stores, and other needs very close by. We will provide more details about that soon.

Staying a week or so? You are within driving distance of Mount St. Helens, our live volcano, as well as Mount Rainer, a not-so-live volcano...we hope, Vancouver BC, and the Olympic Forrest, to name a few. Oregon is 3 hours away by car and offers the Columbia Gorge with it's hundreds of waterfalls including Multnomah Falls at 620 feet tall, the Rose City, Portland Oregon, and the breath taking Oregon Coast. The Pacific NW is known for being a perfect vacation destination.

While our beloved Honorary Colonel, Awb Norris, will not physically be with us, we are following his guidelines for the reunion. He stressed the importance of affordability, hospitality, and fun. We are planning on making this event something Awb will be proud of when he joins us in spirit. Maybe one of us can never fill his shoes, but all of us together can darn sure try, and we know that is what he wanted of us. Deeds, Not Words.

Lynn Dalpez, C/2/22
Reunion Chairman

2-22, 10th Mountain Division Monument Doing It Themselves

The 2/22, 10th Mountain Division monument project that we were introduced to at the DC Reunion is proceeding full speed. The Soldiers of 2-22, 10th Mountain have taken a lesson from the past and are not going to wait for 30+ years nor are they depending upon anyone to help them to honor their fallen Brothers. They are "Doing It Themselves." In a recent e-mail discussion between LTC **Dennis Sullivan**, CO 2-22 and members of the 22nd Infantry Regiment Society's Monument Committee regarding the monument it was revealed that the Soldiers of 2-22 are providing most of the funding for the project from their own funds. The discussions provided LTC Sullivan with some ideas as well as sources for the monument statue. Under consideration is a statue that would be nearly identical to the statue one being placed at the Infantry Museum at Ft Benning. All agreed that this would provide not only a fine statue but a great degree of continuity between the Regiment and Battalion monuments. The accompanying schedules provide information on what has been accomplished, what has yet to be accomplished and how the 2-22 Active Duty Troops plan on paying for this monument. I've asked Mario to post the entire Power Point on our web site so that those who are interested may view the entire layout and monument scene. When we visited with 2-22, 10th Mtn before their recent deployment

we went to the site where the monument will be placed. The site is part of a much larger monument arrangement that will be used by all of the 10th Mtn Battalions. At the center of this site is the 10th Mtn Memorial. The statue is that of a WW II Soldier helping a Present Day Soldier scale a mountain side. I have sent Mario a photo of this Statue to accompany the Power Point.

The Board would like to open a discussion regarding VN 222 making a donation to the 2-22, 10th Mtn monument fund. Those of you on the Vietnam Triple Deuce group e-mail can easily join in the discussion. Those of you who are not on the group e-mail can join the e Group or send me an e-mail, jlmay@tds.net, and let me know that you'd like to be in on the discussion. I will see that you are covered by adding your e address to all responses. Those of you who do not use a computer may let your thoughts be known by contacting any of the Board Members by phone.

Jim May

Battalion Memorial Update

Project is out for bid for construction to begin with in 30 days

Minimum will accomplish with this round of construction based on funds currently available:

- All ground work, bricks & pavers, center granite piece, one granite column
- 2nd round of work, based on funds available:
- Bronze center statue, all bronze plates, 2 more granite pieces, 2 benches

BN Fund Update

To date have collected have collected—\$25,000 for fund.

Total project cost is—\$39,000

What is left to procure for memorial

- 2 Campaign Stones \$3400 (1700 each) (4 left unpurchased for future expansion)
- 2 benches \$955
- Bronze plaque for center monument \$1200
- Individual bronze name plaques \$1500 (150 each)
- Bronze campaign plaque \$450 (150 each)
- Bronze statue (boots, helmet, M\$) \$5400 (\$3900 if M!^)
- Repurchase of 2 Spades paver \$10000
- Total \$13905

Fund Raising Strategy (T)

Goal: Take care of our own and complete project now
Ask all TD soldiers to donate to the fund
Target fund raising window 1-15 Sept after \$1K Bonus kicks in
The math

- \$14,000 divided by 798 soldiers in the battalion equals \$17.50 per person

Fund Raising

Will set goals for each company to reach based off \$20 person goal of contribution.

Means about \$180 per rifle squad,—\$700.00 per rifle platoon

Donors giving over \$120 get to engrave a stone

Top donors in Task Force also receive—25 donated gifts of IPODs, DVD Players, etc.

SAD GATHERING

Funeral Services for **Colonel Awb Norris** were held on July 7, 2008 at the Bushnell National Cemetery in Florida. In addition to Awb's family many Veteran Friends were in attendance. One of the family members was very surprised to learn that Awb's Veteran Friends had travelled in from all across the county. All three 22nd Infantry Regiment Battalions were represented as well as the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment. Those Vet Friends in attendance were **Bob Babcock (1/22), Bruce Blakeslee and Charlene Wells, Dwight and Betty Breneman, Bill Bukovec (1/22), Bob Brumbach, Skip Fahel, Joe and Maggie Fraser, Pete Garwoeck (1/22), Bill "Mad Doc" Matz, Jim May, Dave Milewski, John Napper (2/22), Ed Schultz and Phil Trover (3/22).**

The Triple Deuce Guidons were presented and carried in and at the end of the services each was lowered, in turn, as a final act of respect to Colonel Norris.

Prior to the commencement of services **Mrs. Norris** was presented with Awb's Distinguished Member of the Vietnam Triple Deuce Certificate. Awb left the DC reunion early on Sunday and did not take his Certificate with him. I had planned to present him with the Certificate at Ft Drum when 2/22, 10th Mountain returns from Iraq. A special thanks to **Pete Gaworecki, Bill Bukovec and Ed Schultz** for providing the photos
Jim May



Awb's Distinguished Member of the Vietnam Triple Deuce Certificate presented to Mrs. Awb Norris by Ed Schultz (left) and Jim May (right).

A Salute to Awb Norris

When any untimely and shocking event occurs, it is good to share thoughts and feeling with our Brothers. The following is a compilation of excerpts from the group e-mail. We are reprinting these for the benefit of those who do not participate in the group e-mail and as a spontaneous historical memoir to our fallen comrade.

We have lost Awb Norris. The Colonel of the 22nd Infantry Regiment passed away this morning (Tuesday June 25th) at 1A.M. from complications of surgery being performed at that time. I have no other details of this terrible event. I will, of course, advise of any news.

Dick Nash A,HHC, 69

Our president's brief message gave us voice to openly share about the loss. And the messages came rolling in.

What a shock. We have all lost a great soldier and a truly great person. Awb made everyone, especially our wives, feel very welcome at all of the reunions, I can still picture Awb coming down in his bubble chopper one day, hovering over a bomb crater and stepping out on the edge to rearrange his troops. I also wound up right next to him when we finally broke into that major base camp at the end of November in 1967. He ways led by example and wasn't shy about joining his troops on the ground. Awb will be greatly missed and will always be remembered as Colonel For Life the 22nd infantry regiment

Bob Price 67/68

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chute jumps to his credit, the Master Parachutist Badge is one of his awards, along with the Combat Infantryman's Badge, the Expert Infantryman's Badge, the Silver Star, Bronze Star with "V" Device, Legion of Merit with three oak leaf clusters, and the list goes on. Awb retired from the Regular Army as a Colonel on 1 Feb 1978 after completing 29 years and 9 months of service to our country.

Awb was named Honorary Colonel of the 22nd Infantry Regiment by direction of the Secretary of the Army at our Cleveland reunion in October 2000.

As Chuck Boyle, who was long mentored by Awb, and a great friend, said, "A great American, a great Soldier, and a wonderful friend left us this day."

Bob Babcock B,1/22, 66/67

I have lost a friend and mentor!

Battalion Commander 2/22 Awb Norris

Skip Fahel B/67-68

Other than those I served with in Vietnam, Awb Norris' friendship is among the longest in the 22nd Infantry Regiment Society. When MG John Ruggles and Dr. Bill Boice turned the presidency of the Society over to me in the summer of 1995, they told me, "There's a guy by the name of Awb Norris who contacted us and has volunteered to help you out" - that began our friendship and great working relationship in building the 22nd Infantry Regiment Society into an organization that included all vets of the 22nd Infantry Regiment.

The word shock just doesn't describe the feeling. What a great leader, personal friend and member of the Regiment. To say that he will be missed is a gross understatement!! One of my best and dearest friends. What a time we had on the trip to Germany by Space A. He said it was a highlight of his life and I know it was for me.

Edward E. Schultz- HHC 67/68

I first met Awb as we planned for the 1996 reunion in Kissimmee, Florida and spent many enjoyable hours with him - at reunions, when he visited in my home, and over email exchanges. He made friends with everyone, regardless of rank or station in life. My family will miss him as much as I will.

In October 1997, at the Gettysburg, Pa. Reunion of the 22nd IRS, Awb asked if he could talk to me. He said, "I know that you are really interested in finding Charlie Company guys, since you served with Charlie, but wouldn't it be great if you'd expand it to include the entire battalion."

Who could refuse Awb? Well here we are today because Awb thought about all his men, not just a few!

Awb has crossed over to the other side of the wall to visit with all our buddies who did not make it home.

They are in good hands now that Awb is there!!

Awb - RIP!

John Eberwine C 67/68

Awb entered the Georgia State Guard as a fourteen year old boy in 1944, the Alabama National Guard in 1950 and rose from the rank of private to staff sergeant before being commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant on December 7, 1950. He also completed Armored Cavalry ROTC at Auburn University but opted to be commissioned in the Alabama National Guard. He arrived in Korea just as hostilities ended. Among his many assignments, Awb served with his Honorary Colonel predecessor, MG John Ruggles, at Fort Benning when Awb was a captain helping to establish the National Infantry Museum and Ruggles was a Brigadier General. Awb fondly remembered how great BG Ruggles treated him as a young captain. Awb served in Alaska as XO of the 1st Battalion (Mech), 60th Infantry Regiment and commanded the 2nd Battalion, 22nd Infantry (Mech) in Vietnam from September 1967 through late February 1968. Other key assignments were command of The School Brigade at Fort Benning, and deputy/chief of Infantry Branch, Department of the Army. With over 450 para-

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Never in my life have I had a single individual positively influence my life as much as Awb has. I will miss him. It has been an honor!!!

David Milewski C 67/68



Awb Judy and David Milewski

An exchange with an active duty Brother

Dennis,

Sad news. Awb Norris died at 1 AM today, 15 Jun 08, while undergoing surgery. I know you have your hands full but thought you ought to know about Awb's passing. Take care of yourself.

Jim May Prov.1968

Very sad news. He was a fine warrior that I greatly respected as could tell everyone else did as well.

Please let us know the funeral details and funeral home address. Thanks for letting us know. I am not sure if I can send the honor guard contingent, but would like to and will look into feasibility, if appropriate with his family.

Very Respectfully

LTC Dennis Sullivan
CDR, 2-22 IN
FOB Warrior
APO AE 09338
DSN 318-444-3020

He will be buried in the national cemetery in t Bushnell Nat. cemetery. Tragic and sorrowful. Human words are inadequate to describe the man, his influence, and his happy demeanor and a big smile. What a man.

Jim Tobin 3rd Bde Chaplain 67/68

We have lost a true LEADER of the 22nd Inf. Regiment Society, a STRONG PATRIOT of the United States,

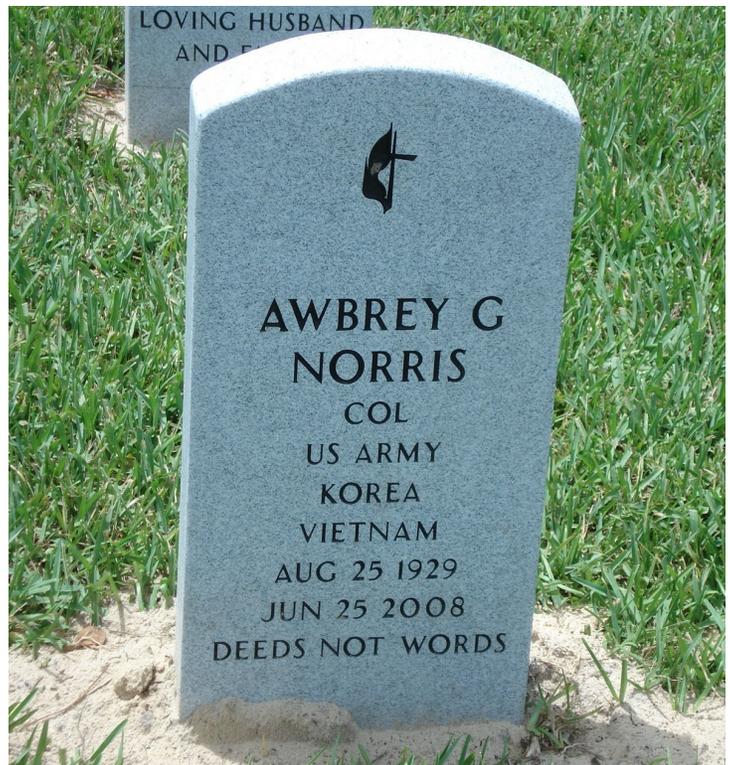
a REAL FRIEND of us ALL, a STRONG REGIMENTAL COL and a WARM INDIVIDUAL who has INFLUENCED AND AFFECTED ALL OUR LIVES IN A POSITIVE MANNER. WE ARE ALL MUCH BETTER OFF FOR HAVING KNOWN HIM!!

GOD BLESS AWBREY G. NORRIS AND HIS ENTIRE FAMILY. DEEDS NOT WORDS,

Ed Schultz HHC 67/68

I was shocked, and saddened, to learn of the death of my good friend and Honorary Colonel of the 22nd Infantry Regiment, Awb Norris. Awb has been a friend of mine ever since I started corresponding on the internet. I first met him, in person, at our San Antonio Reunion in 2003. He was a delightful person to be around. Awb was Battalion Commander of 2/22, in Vietnam. I didn't have the honor of serving under him, but he was highly respected, and loved, by those who did - Something very few high ranking officers had or deserved. I had the pleasure of sharing a table with Awb at our recent Washington D.C. reunion. I am even more grateful for the opportunity now.

Doc Matz A,HHC
67/68



Awb's Marker

Guys:

I hardly know what to say. I am still in shock over the sad news. It seems I am losing some of the first friends I made in the 22nd IRS. First came the news of Gary Krek, who was the first person to make contact with me when I made a guest book entry. Through Gary, I began corresponding with Stan Tarkenton and Awb Norris. We learned that Stan was in bad condition just prior to the reunion. Now the news about Awb, who seemed his usual vibrant friendly self in DC.

I am glad that I got to share a table (and part of his steak) with Awb during the banquet. You may recall that there was some concern that we would not have enough table space in the room. Awb was going to give up his seat (and eat in the hall?) if it became necessary. I said "No I'll eat in the hall - at least I can shut the door if the speeches get too long." Awb insisted that he should go. (Maybe he didn't want to hear the speeches either?) I said "Awb, you're our Colonel. You should stay." I then told him something that I will be forever grateful I didn't withhold.

I said "Awb, as you know I didn't have the honor of serving under you in 'Nam. I heard of your actions from the men who did serve with you. You had their respect and admiration. You had a reputation as a commander who cared about, and took care of, his men. Very few high ranking officers gained, or deserved, that kind of reputation among the troops. Yours was well earned."

Awb thanked me for saying that, and I could tell he was very touched. The respect of his men meant a lot to him. On a lighter note, there were some guests at our table. I was telling them that Awb was one of the few officers who stayed on the ground with his men. Awb leaned over and said, "That's because I couldn't get anyone to fly in, and pick me up."

Doc Matz A,HHC 65/67

Thank you for sharing. I wish I had the presence of mind of saying something like that to him. All I ever did was make small talk. I am grateful to have met him.

Mario Salazar HHC 65/67

He will truly be missed. For those you who do not know I was recently diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. Awb took the time and called me just to say hello and he was thinking about me and to get better.

Ival Lawhon Jr. A 67/68

Awb.....We need to thank you for all your leadership and friendship throughout our tours in Vietnam and within our 22nd Infantry Regiment Society. Seeing you in the field in

many of our battles always was a source of inspiration to us. You always remembered my name and even took the time to pin my 1st Lt. Bars on me in Vietnam. Trying to replace your leadership within our organization will be almost impossible. Let us all aspire to come as close as we can to walking in your footprints. We are proud to have been "your men".

Rest In Peace.
Dean Springer B 67/68

Awb has left us, but not without grand memories. He was a wonderful man, a great soldier and as fine a leader as I have ever known. One of the things I most regret in my life is not having stayed in touch with him over almost 40 years and yet after 40 minutes it was just like the old days, standing on the perimeter, looking out and him saying with a wry smile "how are we going to handle this mess Mike?"

All of us would be well served if we tried to live our lives as he did his. At a critical time in our lives he was there and when it was all over he made us better leaders and better men. Then when it was really all over he became a friend for life. It just doesn't get any better than that.

Thank you Awb....from all of us whose lives you touched.

Mike Mitchell B 66/67

Forty some years ago, in the midst of craziness, he was a skilled, steady hand. I always thought of him as a kind and gentle man. I deeply regret not being able to tell him that.

Bill Donald B 67/68

Awb was a wonderful gentleman who mentored me and Cathy through our involvement with the 22nd Infantry Regiment Society. He will be truly missed by both Cathy and me.

Mike Groves A 68/69

I had the pleasure of being pulled aside a couple of times by Awb myself. The confidence and encouragement that he gave me is beyond words--a guy like that giving so much to a guy like me just blew me away.

It was a huge concern of his, our society of veterans and what would happen after he left us. He told me in DC that he is so happy with those that have stepped forward to carry the torch of our society. He mentioned his delight that Woepner and Russell have stepped forward to carry the torch for our Iraq and Afghanistan veterans and that he knows the spirit and class of our organization will now extend well into the future. I know that he died knowing our society is in very good hands. We were, no, ARE so very important to him.

None of us can fill his shoes, but all of us working together will be able to because of the legacy, advice, and love that our favorite Colonel gave to us. I, for one, will continue to ask his advice in prayer and in remembering his deeds and words that he left us all. I also pray that maybe in some way that I can be somebody's Awb one day. That's what he wants from us all.

Remember that song..."Only love can break your heart." ? It's been in my head of late.

Lynn Dalpez C 65/67

I have expressed my condolences to Mrs Norris last week when I called to see how the operation went and she told me that he was dead. I and Awb talked about 2 or 3 times a week and I find myself picking up the phone and realizing that I cannot talk to him again on this earth. A great man has left us. .

You may not have heard this, but he was wound more than once but had his Sgt. Major make sure it never was on the report. He told me that the lads in the body bags got the purple heart and he did not need nor want one as long as he was standing. I can see him, I can see his smile, I can hear his voice. He's a keeper in our hearts and mind. If possible, I would like to meet him in the after life. It would be fun to see what he thought of his own funeral.

Jim Tobin C 67/68



2/22 Guidons at Awb's Service

Died At Home

Jim Papezynski reported that **Hans Pinkepank** passed away June 23, 2008. He was at the Dec. Fort Polk Reception Center, a Boat Original B Co. and HHC 2/22

Dean Springer Reports:

Everyone....I really am sorry to have to pass this message along. Since the reunion we have now lost Pete Cresong and Norm Pickens from the 1st platoon B 2/22 along with Awb Norris. I have to think on the positive, that we were able to spend some great time together at the reunion.

Norman Pickens

B Co. 1st Platoon, Nov. 1967 to Nov. 1968

I am sorry to tell you Norman died today June 29, 2008.

Thank You,

Norman Pickens wife Shirley and Family

SSGT Pickett Makes the Ultimate Sacrifice

SSG Tyler E. Pickett of Sarasota, WY was KIA on June 8, 2008. SSG Pickett had been a member of Charlie Company until recently transferring to Bravo Company. A memorial service was held in Gouverneur, NY, just outside Ft Drum on June 17th. **Pete Gaworecki**, Charlie Co. 1/22, Vietnam, attended the service.

I spoke to his wife, mother, father and grandfather. The wife was in relatively good spirits. The kids weren't there. I expressed our condolences and thanked them for their sacrifice to our nation. I told them SSGT Pickett would forever be remembered by a grateful nation and especially his brothers in the 22nd Regiment. The society would always be there for them for any reason and they will be honored at any 22nd function. I thanked them again and said through their sons' efforts and others like him we will forever be "the land of the free and home of the brave".

On the way to the wake, I stopped at a small diner in the town of Antwerp. SSGT Pickett was known by everyone there. He made quite an impression on the locals the short time he was there. It seemed like he grew up in the community. Every one had something to relay about him... all good. He fit right in and lived his off duty time to our motto. Deeds Not Words. Willing to do anything for the community and friends.
*Peter Gaworecki*C/1/22 67-68

We all owe Pete a Tango Yankee, this is the third Memorial Service that Pete has attended where he represented not only the 22nd Infantry Regiment Society but Vietnam Triple Deuce as well. FYI, Pete, who served with Charlie Co., 1/22, is a Member of Vietnam Triple Deuce.

Jim May

The Inside Track

Wear your colors! Ask **Paul Fredrick** a Charlie Boat Original what can happen. I ran into Paul at a fairly remote Oregon golf course after playing 18 holes of golf. I was feeling great because I had just broke 90 for the first time this year. (... and the only time too. Hahaha!) So when I spotted a Vietnam Veteran hat on this guy in the near empty parking lot after the game, I went over to say, "Hi.", just before the group he was with was getting ready to get in their cars and leave. The group waited while Paul and I exchanged the usual, "What unit?", "What year?" Until we got to the Walker boat ride, Soui Tre, Charlie Company—finally we got to our names. Paul and I may be slow, but we did remember to exchange our names...eventually. Paul remembered mine and I remembered his, but I could not remember why his name had recently been on my mind.

As it turned out, the reason Paul's name was on my mind was because **Rich Miller**, C/2/22, had been talking about him off and on for 5 years—trying to find Paul for 5 years and getting no where.

Holy cow! Talk about amazing! It goes to show that if you leave yourself open, show your colors, keep on the look-out, you can find, or help to find our long lost Brothers too, and maybe Warhoop should take up the game of golf. Hahahaha!

Welcome home Paul Fredrick. Paul is in the process, or has just moved to the Aloha Oregon area near my place. So we now have 8 (I think...Is that right?) Charlie Original's living in the greater Portland Oregon area. Gotta be some kind of bragging rights there.

We had our Charlie Company Mini Reunion again this year, and we had it in the very same spot we had it in last year, which is nothing short of a miracle. **Nick and Pam Docsanes's** house, where we hold our first get together Friday, before the main event Saturday, was flooded out, you may remember. Through a lot

of hard work from some volunteers, including **Leroy Henning's** masterly carpentry work—two weeks of non-stop carpentry work, along with a lot of help from **Wil and Cheryl Dahlke**, who also help organize and host our reunion with Nick and Pam, you would hardly know that their home had a foot of water in the living room—muddy, smelly, water too. Many other Charlie Brothers chipped in to help as well. Because of them, Nick and Pam are getting back to normal, and we ended up having the time of our lives at our mini-reunion. Thank you all so very much for a great reunion. And thanks **Jim Neeley**, for putting that naked picture of me on the CD of Charlie Company's time in Vietnam. Thanks a lot. I'll have to tell Della about mama-son and the twin baby-sons sometime.

Attendees were: **Ken Bergstrom, Ken Brown, Marcus Burk, Bill "Crummy" Cromwell, Steve Cowlthorp, Don "Craw-daddy" and Julie Crawford (So does that make Julie a Craw-momma?) George Daul, Wil and Cheryl Dalke, Lynn Dalpez, Jim "Dupes" DePree, Nick "Doc" and Pam Docsanes, Jerry and Mary Dwinell, Tom Ellis, Alberto "Keep your hands off my ponytail" Flores, Paul Fredrick, Arnold "Arnie" Freeman, Chuck Gregg, Leroy and Ann Henning, Morris "Moe" Johanson, Charles Kells, Lou "The Wall" and Jean Kimes, Harry "Mick" Lawrence, Augustine "Augie", "Aug", Lagmay (Our old Company Clerk!), Larry and Vicki Mason, Dale Merritt, Rich "Warhoop" and Chris Miller, Art Mills, Dan and Mary "Cook" Morris, Jim "Hotrod" and Della Neeley, Linda Nishikubo** was there with some guy named "Magnet", **Don "The Voice" Wyatt** was there too—all the way from Erin, TN. Once again we had our favorite Lieutenant with us, **Roger "Frydry" Frydrychowski**, and our Beloved "Old Man" and honorary Captain of our group, **George White III**, with his wife, and our Den Mother, **Patti White**. Our special guests were: **Colonel Leonard Morley** (ret.) and his lovely wife **June Morley**. Colonel Morley was a former Triple Deuce Commander. **Judy Evans** and her close friend **Jo Thomberg** returned to stand in for our fallen Brother, **Ronnie Lewis**, and **Rich Miller's daughter Vicki**, and **Rich's**

Grandson Ian came to keep an eye on Granddad, as did **Steve Cowlthorp's friend Kelly**, who knows that it is a full time job keeping an eye on Steve. **Charlie Rodriquiz**, a close friend of **Albert Flores's** rounded out our guest list, which is quite appropriate seeing how Albert is well rounded out himself.

Gosh, I hope I didn't forget anybody. I got the list, and a complete picture portfolio from Cheryl and Wil Dalke—we all did. So if I missed anybody, blame it on Cheryl because that's what I used to write this up. Hahaha! Thanks for coming everybody! See ya next year! We'll probably have it right after the 22nd I.R.S. reunion in October 09, but probably have one in August too. What the heck? I wish we could have one every day!

Details for the upcoming 22nd Inf. Reg. Seattle in 2009 will start coming out very soon in the VN222 newsletter, as well as the 22nd I.R.S. newsletter and websites, but here is the main info so far:

The Marriott Seattle Airport
3201 176th Street
Seattle, WA. 98188
206-241-2000

Dates: Oct. 6-11, 2009, with the main reunion dates of Oct. 8, 9, and 10th, with Sunday the 11th, at 9:00 AM, our Memorial Service wrapping the event up. These dates are firm, so start making those plans.

The hotel is within walking distance of the SEATAC airport, but situated with little to no jet noise—they are already on the ground when near us. There are many fast-food, other retail establishments, and lesser expensive, but still very nice accommodations nearby for those on a budget. The Roadway Inn is just a couple of blocks away from the Marriott, for instance, \$56 - \$80, but may qualify for a military discount, I'll let you know. We will have more details on that, and other locations and attractions like the Space Needle, Pikes Place Market, The Argosy Dinner Boat Cruise or the like, a killer Museum of Flight—all under the watchful eye of Mount Rainer, etc.

We will take a tour of Fort Lewis and be able to visit and have our pictures taken by our old barracks and see the rifle ranges again. American Lake new Stryker Brigades will be on post and we will end with a very nice museum visit.

Yours truly has the honor of being the Chairman of the event, and will be working side by side with Skip Fabel, B/2/22, President of the 22nd I.R.S., and the officers and Directors of the Society to make this a very memorable event. Having some fun together is the main goal, and I am very confident that the arrangements we are making will help that cause. So please mark your calendars and plan on attending.

Listen up you first-timers. Do you want to have the time of your lives? Then sign up and join your Combat Bothers at the reunion and you will be hooked on the 22nd Inf. Reg. Society Reunions and membership for the rest of your life just as your buddies now, and your future buddies are. Uncle Sugar said it best, "We want you!" And no, you don't have to do pushups or have Sergeants yelling at you or anything. Heck, many former Sergeants and Officers are friends of mine now, but I don't want that getting around you understand. Hahahaha!

For those of you that have not seen them yet, the new lightweight Order of the Red Ant medal is beautiful. It is more along the lines of the design I really wanted to produce, but could not for various reasons. The ring that holds the stars around the medal is cut out making the stars stand out much better. They hang better than the originals too--don't flop over as much, and cost you only three bucks! Jim May has a pile of them, so get your order off. And while I am at it, I have noticed that many members of The Order have not been wearing the O,R.A.'s to official society functions and reunions lately. Tsk, tsk, tsk. Your Vice President is considering a push-up amendment to the by-laws to discipline your lack of memory. Nuff said. (I wonder if I can still do a push-up?)

Awb Norris has left us. I had the good fortune to be among those who benefited from knowing

him, and having one on one talks with him about dealing with my past, and how we can help to heal each other though joining and participating in the 22nd Inf. Reg. Society and it's many other associates such as our Vietnam Triple Deuce, Inc. His passing hurt very much. He was truly a man of "Deeds, Not Words."
That's it for this time.

: Lynn W. Dalpez, C/2/22

New Finds

Dwayne I. Jensen

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C Co. 4th ID, 65 to 67

Charles W. Justice

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B Co. 25th ID, Sep. 68 to Aug. 69

Glen H. Pratt

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HHC, Alpha & Delta Cos. 25th ID, Mar. 69 to Mar. 70

Melvin J. Gurney

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Oldsmar, FL 34677
813-855-2256
www.melgurney.com
B Co. 25th ID, Nov. 1968 to Nov. 1969

Comments: "So glad to be in touch with Triple Deuce. I took today to read all the Newsletters on the web site. It brings back a lot of memories. Life Member VFW Post #10093, Safety Arbor, FL."

Don R. Kord

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B Co. 25th ID, 1966 to 67

Comments: "The article by **Joe Spado** in the March Newsletter brought me to tears. I cry for all the guys who lost

the chance to grow old because of Vietnam. I grow old and consider myself blessed to do so.

John T. Spangler

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A Co., 25th ID, Aug 69 to Aug 70

Guest Books Hits

Name: **Jim Papczynski**

Email: pappy.jj@comcast.net

Date: 6/24/2008

Comments: I am sorry to inform you that **Hans Pinkepank** passed away 23 June 2008. He was at the Dec. Fort Polk Reception Center, a Boat Original of the 3 22.

Pap
Boat Original B Co. and HHC 2 22

Name: **Andrew Straley**

Email: dixiemiission@yahoo.com

Date: 08/17/08

Phone: 330-618-9779

Comments: When is the next reunion going to be? And where?

A-2-22 66,67

Name: **Michael H Pounds**

Email: privatepounds@yahoo.com

Date: 08/25/2008

Comments: Glad to see the News Letter additions

Editor Comments: This was a post with Mario response and her response.

Name: **Anthony Mojica**

Email: Witchi48@earthlinck.net

Date: 08/11/08

Phone: 818 8008113

Comments: My husband **Anthony Mojica "MoJoe"** just passed from all the effects of Agent Orange on June 27, 2008. He was very proud of his service. A life member of the VFW 3834 District 7 and member of American Legion Unit 176 District 20. I would love to hear from anyone who served with him. I am very active with the VFW and I work with my Aux. to honor my father from WW2 and my husband. Freedom is not free it's thanks to the men and woman who served so proudly.

Hi,

I am the webmaster of the VTD site. I saw your message about your husband passing recently. Mi sentido de pesame.

It wasn't clear whether he was a Vietnam Triple Deucer. Please let me know.

Mario Salazar (HHC/2Bn Mz/22nd Inf.) Montgomery Village, MD near Washington, DC

Yes he was, he was in Viet Nam from 68-69. He was awarded a Bronze Star and Purple Heart from the Battle of Burt. The Award says he was in Co.C 2nd. Bn. 22 Inf. 25th Infantry, but I don't know what platoon, but he was in mechanized unit. I know he was in the Golden Triangle and I did hear Hobo Woods. But I can say that he was always proud and quick to say he was a triple deucer. Just a note when my son worked at Universal Studios he painted 222 Triple Deuce on the side of his fork lift. When his supervisor asked what did it mean he told him. They were the Best of the Best fighting for us In Viet Nam. The logo stayed.

I am still going to continue to work for our Veterans, this year I am the District Seven President for the VFW. And this year I celebrated my 16 years as a member. I do it to honor all you Men who gave so much so we can enjoy our freedom. We Honor the Past to Honor the Future. Thank you so much for answering my email.

Vicky (Witchi) Mojica

Name: **Billy Arflin**

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Date: 9/14/08

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Comments: Was looking at **Pete O'Rouke's** pictures. Knew several of the soldiers in these pictures. Pete I was in 3rd platoon of Alpha company, and I'm sure you were also in 3rd platoon. I remember that Pete always had his camera and I'm glad you posted the picture of **Doc Hicks**. I was trying to remember his name as "Smitty" and I were talking the other day. Brings back lot's of memories.

Name: **Jim Papczynski**

Email: pappy.jj@comcast.net

Date: 9/16/2008

Comments: I probably should use the forum, but I do not know how to get into it. Sorry. Trying to restore a M101A1 three quarter ton trailer. The kind the M37s pulled around. Can any one look at some old pictures of Dau Tieng and reply with actual numbers off a M101A1. It would be good if the numbers were from B Co. or Head Quarters and Headquaters Co. 2 22,
I appreciate your time and trouble.

Helloes & Comments

Terry A. Shephard Sr.

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636-586-7103

B Co. 25th ID, March 68 to March 69

Comments: Terry would like to find **Mike Campy** and **Dave Mullins**. Terry writes that Branson, MO would be a good place for a reunion.

John S. Yoshikane

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B Co. 25th ID, Sep. 67 to Sep. 68

Gary J. Begin

404 Elder Circle

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763-497-0433

4th & 25th ID, Sep. 66 to Sep. 67

Patrick L. Kanan

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Recon Plt. 25th ID, Oct.67 to Oct.68

Comments:"From Burt, 1968 My remembrance, Tell **Erik Opsahl** that when his track fell in the hole during Burt, that I was one of the guys setting up the M-60 when we got hit by an RPG. Sent to Japan, then returned later to 2/22"

Pat Kanan, Recon Platoon, 67-68, has a Web Site that should be viewed by anyone who has an interest in photography. Pat and his wife, EMI, have spent more than 10 years photographing sites and cities all over Europe. If you want to spend some time relaxing and viewing some very special photographs, go to

www.DoorsToTheOldWorld.com

Thanks,

Jim

Submitted from **Thomas Petro**
Recon Platoon, 2nd/22nd Inf.
Aug. 67 to Aug 68

The Battle Of Soui Cut Is Over – For Some The Memory Lingers

Tropic Lighting News January 29, 1968

3RD BDE - It was just getting dark when the Viet Cong started mortaring Fire Support Base Burt. The Viet Cong had been doing the same thing at the same time for the past few nights, so it wasn't anything new to the men of the 3rd Bde who were defending the forward base camp at Soui Cut.

As the hours started to slip by, the defenders knew that this was more than their nightly mortar attack. They started receiving RPG rounds and small arms fire along with the mortar rounds. The ambush patrols were reporting heavy movement around their positions. As the contact became heavier the patrols were being pulled back into the perimeter. At 11:30 p.m. the perimeter was under very heavy ground attack. All patrols that had not returned to the perimeter at this time were reporting that their positions were in danger of being overrun by the enemy. One patrol led by **SGT Mark Ridey** of C. Co, 2nd Bn (Mech), 22nd Inf, was calling in concentrated artillery fire on his position. His patrol which stayed in its position all night accounted for 16 of the Viet Cong killed.

At 1:30 a.m. the main Viet Cong effort had shifted to the sector of C Co, 2nd Bn (Mech), 22nd Inf. The Viet Cong elements had succeeded in reaching the bunker line but their progress was thwarted when the guns of the light artillery started firing and the heavy artillery started firing direct fire into their positions. The attack at this point was broken and contact slackened.

Again after regrouping their forces the Viet Cong attacked the same sector. Their fires increased and all areas of the perimeter were engaged. As the Viet Cong directed their fire to one concentrated area all tactical air, along with artillery, direct and indirect fire, gun and flare ships were being employed to stop the attack.

When it started getting daylight the Viet Cong started to withdraw leaving blocking forces to screen their movement. All available fire continued to interdict their withdrawal routes.

As the dawn of the new day broke it was obvious that the men of the 3rd Bde had put out a tremendous amount of fire power. The surrounding wood line had been all but completely leveled. After scanning the immediate area of the fire support base it was obvious that the Viet Cong body count was going to be high. By the end of the day the body count was at 300. With a further search of the

adjoining jungle and wood line the count increased to over 400 dead. Of course many more will never be found to add to the official count.

Just as the 3rd Bde proved itself eight months ago at the Battle of Soui Tre, again they gallantly outfought the Viet Cong at the Battle of Soui Cut at Fire Support Base Burt.

3RD BDE - Aggressively reacting to key points on the perimeter, the reconnaissance platoon of the 2nd Bn (Mech), 22nd Inf, played a key role in the defense of Fire Support Base Burt during the attack on the night of Jan. 1-2. Several times that night, elements of the recon platoon who were not already on the line, were called to critical portions of the perimeter to provide the additional firepower necessary to drive back the Viet Cong attackers.

Alerted to react at the start of the main attack, the recon platoon mounted their "tracks" and prepared for action. Shortly after midnight three tracks were dispatched to support Charlie Co, who was in heavy contact with the enemy on the southern portion of the perimeter. The recon elements moved swiftly down the road that bisected FSB Burt directly into the face of the enemy who had already reached the bunker line on the perimeter. Laying down a heavy base of fire with M-60 and .50 cal. machine guns and M-79 grenade launchers, they drove the enemy back into the woodline.

A second time the Viet Cong poured out of the woods against the combined recon-Charlie Co positions firing RPGs and small arms. Although two of the recon vehicles and one of Charlie Co's were put out of action, the men, led by **1LT Erhard Opsahl**, set up their automatic weapons and M-79s on a berm behind the destroyed tracks and maintained intense fire on the enemy, pushing them back into the jungle where they were finally destroyed by artillery beehives and air strikes.

Shortly after the first three tracks were sent to Charlie Co, more recon tracks were dispatched to bolster Bravo Co, who was heavily engaged with the enemy on the opposite end of the base from Charlie Co. Recon track 74, commanded by **SGT William Storey**, assumed a position where it could deliver its firepower directly upon the Viet Cong who were advancing down the road toward the base from the north. The track poured forth a heavy volume of fire against the enemy, despite sustaining two direct RPG hits, until finally the entire crew of the vehicle fell wounded.

Had the recon platoon failed to react quickly enough, part of the southern perimeter might well have been overrun, greatly endangering the guns of the artillery directly behind the line. As it was, the aggressive response of the "Triple Deuces" recon platoon played a great part in the tremendous victory achieved by the 3rd Bde at Fire Support Base Burt in the Battle of Soui Cut.

KIAs List as of 9-08

2nd Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment

Submitted by Brad Hull

Alpha Company

Larry Allen Rice	11/04/66
John Francis McCabe	11/22/66
Jesse Rice	01/16/67
David Dennis Berkholz	
WIA 01/29/67	01/31/67
Edward Earl Schell	02/06/67
Arthur Clarence Sisco Jr	
WIA 02/06/67	02/27/67
Dennis John Breda	03/19/67
Doc Bruce Anthony Corcoran +	
Attached from HHC	03/19/67
Barney Joe Kelly	03/19/67
Russell Lee Root	03/19/67
James C Tarkenton III	03/19/67
Joe Edward Mathew Amato	03/21/67
Alan Wayne Andrews	03/22/67
Charles Eugene Fletcher	03/22/67
Skip Charles Harry Haber Jr	03/22/67
Erik Bernard Wickenberg	Basic in C
Died in E 2 nd /60 th 9th Div	07/06/67
Terry Dane Alsup	
Also Served in 4th/23rd Mech	07/15/67
John Patrick Collopy	07/15/67
George Alfred Holladay	07/15/67
Alfred Frederick Alvarado	09/04/67
Earl Russell Cobb	09/04/67
Michael David De Camp	09/04/67
William Eugene Hargrove	09/05/67
Fred Kaimi Naauao Kama	WIA 09/04/67
Also Served in C 3/22	09/06/67
Lawrence Adam Wojcik	10/14/67
Clayton Arthur Martin	
WIA 09/04/67	10/16/67
<i>Frenchy</i> Gilbert Thomas Beaupre	10/25/67
Rodger Kenneth Cain	11/21/67
Floyd Allan Hyder	11/21/67
Michael Bradley Paquin	12/15/67
Stephen John Whipple	12/15/67
Thomas Beeb Chambers	12/16/67
Edward L Clemmon	12/18/67
Hopson Covington	WIA 12/15/67 12/29/67
Freddie Andray Blackburn	01/08/68
Phelon Herman Cole	01/08/68
Robert Risley Fryer	01/26/68
Larry Douglas King	
Also Served in D 3/22	02/04/68
Bonnie Lee Coleman	02/09/68
James Thomas Davis	02/15/68

Lester Freeman	02/15/68
Clyde Richard McAfee	02/15/68
Mural McDaniel	02/15/68
Richard Lee Bosworth	*DSC*02/16/68
Robert S Hutchinson II	*DSC*02/16/68
Jerome Richard Kelly	02/16/68
Roger Dale Pyne	02/16/68
Earl H Hills	03/06/68
Glenn Sullivan	03/06/68
Warren Martin Beaumont	04/12/68
<i>Cornball</i> Russell Hubbard Cornish	04/12/68
Gary R Holland	04/12/68
<i>Rich</i> Richard Allen Estrada	04/13/68
Doc Gerald Crawford Mull +	
Attached from HHC	04/13/68
<i>Richie</i> Richard Peguero	04/13/68
Wayne A Rhodes	04/13/68
Stanley Spikes	
Also Served in D 3/22	04/13/68
Dennis James Yetmar	04/13/68
Thomas Harold Bailey	05/06/68
Jay Alan Cook	05/06/68
George Coleman	Also S-2 in HHC
Died in D Co 125th Signal Bn	05/13/68
James Donald Hess	05/13/68
James Edward Mays	05/13/68
Patrick Victor McNearney	05/13/68
Joseph Angel Mena	05/13/68
Kevin Henry Ross	05/13/68
Doc Michael Cami Wittevrongel +	
Attached from HHC	05/13/68
Woody Richard Dale Wood	05/13/68
O L Midkiff	05/31/68
Steve Julius Dockery	09/19/68
Doc Vernon Leon Headrick +	
Attached from HHC	09/19/68
Dennis Lee McCormick	09/19/68
William Richard Turner Jr	09/19/68
James Allen Hardman	11/08/68
<i>Philly</i> Donald Joseph Hertrich	11/08/68
Ernest Melvin Plattner	
Attached from 44th Scout Dog Pltn	11/08/68
Lawrence De Witt	11/09/68
William Gibbs Jr	11/27/68
Joe Irvin Wood	11/27/68
Lewis Curtis Wuestenberg	12/22/68
James Allan Ascher	01/08/69
Dana James Kaeberle	01/08/69
Doc Steven Slusher +	
Attached from HHC	01/08/69
Cluster Lee Bearfield	01/14/69
George Lee Kellam	02/05/69
Daniel Irizarry-Acevedo	03/08/69
George Allen Demby	03/11/69
John Emery Bladek	04/25/69
Michael Rodney Dorman	04/25/69
Joseph Lawrence Logan Jr	05/12/69
Marion Lora Gardner	05/13/69

David Rockwell Crocker Jr	05/17/69	Thomas Michael Ross	02/02/68
Phillip Lesley MacLeod	05/17/69	Steven Paul Linna	02/04/68
Jerry N Creasy	08/19/69	Joseph Pat Strippoli Jr	03/17/68
Doc Roberto Cervantes Duenas +		David Wayne Derry	03/22/68
Attached from HHC	08/19/69	Gene Tracy Covey	04/21/68
John David Duncan	08/19/69	Jose Antonio Marrero-Rios	04/21/68
William Michael MacKay	08/19/69	Dan Page Vannoy	05/13/68
George William Pearson Jr	08/19/69	John Randolph Cooper Jr	06/28/68
Gary William Lahna	09/05/69	William Lee Harris	06/28/68
Raymond Bruce Thomas	09/05/69	Yancey Smith Jr	06/28/68
Raymond Robert Blossey		George Bennie Dukes	06/30/68
With D 65 th EngineersWIA DOW	10/23/69	Donald Hicks	06/30/68
Pine Kenneth Edward Heath	10/23/69	Douglas Hugh Kiker	11/21/68
Donald Alan Clarbour	11/06/69	Lawrence David Kutchev	11/25/68
Roger John Flynn	12/18/69	Rodney Birdell Yardley	11/27/68
Robert Charles Housman	12/18/69	John Curtis Fitzwater	01/10/69
Jimmie James Ray Muth	03/07/70	Curtis Robert Stocklin	01/10/69
Marvin Lee Ringoen	03/07/70	John Michael O'Farrell	01/14/69
Donald Ray Wishon	03/07/70	Jim Merle James Martin	
James Chris Shukas	04/12/70	WIA 01/14/69	01/28/69
Bob Robert John Zonne Jr	MIA 04/17/70	Roger Martin Tyner	02/23/69
Died in HHC 25th Inf Div	04/20/70	Thomas Alexander Becker	03/06/69
William Eugene Smith	05/26/70	Carl Dennis Cain	03/06/69
David Frank Santa-Cruz	05/30/70	Lowell Roger Groves	03/06/69
<u>Bravo Company</u>		William Edmond Lee Hart	03/06/69
Shorty Clinnis Harrell Jackson	11/07/66	Jerry Johnson	03/06/69
Donald F Lekovish	12/12/66	David Glen Lovitt	03/06/69
Raymond Albert Bizzell	01/13/67	Clinton Lee Wheeler	03/06/69
George Henry Haddox	01/13/67	Kenneth Michael Frain	03/11/69
Henry Wayne Webster	01/13/67	Alvin Grimes	05/13/69
Sydney Uel Goodin	02/06/67	Mark Joseph Giron	05/14/69
Gordon William Stark	02/06/67	John Philip Craig	06/06/69
Carlos Ugarte		Robert Michael Fullmer	06/06/69
Attached from 4.2" Mortars	02/06/67	Raymond Richard Schiffrin	06/11/69
Edward Eugene Fortenberry	02/16/67	Roger Lee Glei	07/15/69
Dale William Moore	02/19/67	Donald Henry McMains Jr	08/09/69
Larry Anthony Crisci	05/17/67	John Michael Davis	08/16/69
Robert Mario De Dominic	05/17/67	Raymond P Miller IIWIA	09/11/69 09/21/69
Lynn Carol Hayes	05/17/67	Stephen Lamont Sharp	10/18/69
James Richard Michael	05/17/67	Frazier Thomas Dixon	12/03/69
Jasper Newton Newberry Jr	05/17/67	Doc Robert Eugene Romero +	
Andrew Jonah Short III	05/17/67	Attached from HHC	12/03/69
Roger Darriel Thompson	05/17/67	Dennis Wayne Nelson	DOW 02/12/70
Allen Kenneth Dearden	05/18/67	Kenneth Samuel Dee	03/03/70
Walter Thomas Geiger at Ft Lewis		James Dean Johnson	03/03/70
Died in A 1 st /35 th 25 th Div	05/19/67	Alexander Frank Potas	03/17/70
Hubert Joseph Fink		Freddy Lamar Bratton	05/30/70
Died in A 4 th /47 th 9 th Div	06/19/67	David Graham Campbell	06/02/70
Kenneth Ray Anderson		Michael Alfred Rasmusson	06/02/70
Died in C 4 th /23 rd	07/07/67	Leszek Stanley Karsznia	08/14/70
Lee Roy Taylor Died in C 4 th /23 rd	07/07/67	William H Van Gelder Jr	08/15/70
David Wayne Fisher	10/23/67	<u>Charlie Company</u>	
Doc James Brannon Meek +		Joseph Cousette	
Attached from HHC	11/28/67	Also Served in HHC	11/19/66
Thomas Eugene Priesthoff	12/16/67	Frank Monroe Murphy	
Dave Edward Ashford	12/19/67	Died in Recon	12/07/66
Robert Lewis Campbell	01/01/68	Johnny A Chambers	01/08/67
Edward Kubisky	01/20/68	Douglas J Sullivan +	

Attached from HHC	01/08/67	Died stateside of Malaria	07/07/68
Michael Raymond Ishman	01/12/67	Sam Joseph Favata	07/21/68
Gerry Wayne Lawson	02/08/67	William Scott Watts	Died in HHC 11/21/68
Peter Barbera	02/10/67	William Gilbert Keeler	12/02/68
Mark Delane Holte	02/10/67	David Vernon Adams	01/14/69
Otis Lewis	02/10/67	Dwane Lonnie Adams	01/14/69
Merril Andrew McKillip	02/10/67	Marvin L McCullough Jr	01/14/69
Charles Paul Pohlman	02/10/67	Lyle Thomas Moore	01/14/69
Rex Wheeler Highfill	02/12/67	Paul Aaron Stone	01/14/69
R C Perry Jr	02/13/67	John Earl Warren Jr **MOH**	01/14/69
Daniel Paul Donnellan	02/18/67	Alton D Percival	01/28/69
William Raymond Sanders	02/23/67	Edward Monroe Holtzman	
Thomas Duane Utter	03/23/67	WIA 01/30/68	02/11/69
Joseph Manuel Aragon	04/18/67	Ricardo Joseph Ortegon	03/06/69
Howard Jacob Rice	06/08/67	Phillip Ray Baily	03/11/69
David Alan Brileya	06/11/67	Thomas Poldino	03/11/69
Edward Jerome Colston		Robert Alan Banks	DOW 05/09/69
Attached from 2d/77 th Arty	06/11/67	Larry Paul Jones	05/13/69
Edward Roy Lukert	06/11/67	John Charles Nelson	05/13/69
Joel Thomas Willis		Robert Glenn Sekva	06/11/69
Also Served in 3d Bde HHC S-106/11/67		Michael Dennis Kelly	08/06/69
Erik Bernard Wickenberg	Basic Trng	Duane Alan Clefisch	08/30/69
Served in A 2/22 in Vietnam		Ernie Lee Wallen	08/30/69
Died in E 2 nd /60 th 9th Div	07/06/67	John R Naughton Jr	11/25/69
Larry Arthur Merrill		Jack William Pomeroy +	
Died in C 4 th /23 rd Mech	09/02/67	Attached from HHC	11/25/69
Jackie Edward Trospen	09/30/67	Dennis Michael Daugherty	DOW 03/04/70
Dennis Rex Estes	11/25/67	<i>Rabbit</i> Harvey David Rogers Jr	04/17/70
John A Gibson	11/25/67	Gary William Britton	05/18/70
Robert Lucian Mlynarski	11/25/67	Carwain L Herrington	05/18/70
Robert Andrew Van Patten		<i>New York</i> James Joseph Wilkinson Jr	
Attached from B Btry 2d/77 th Arty	11/25/67		05/18/70
William Carey Janes	12/20/67	Richard Henry Keith	05/21/70
Doc Thomas G Bernardy +		Joseph Anthony Cerio	05/22/70
Attached from HHC	01/02/68	Maximiliano Davila-Torres	05/22/70
Jack Wayne Miller	01/02/68	Norman Anthony Emineth	05/22/70
Willie Petty Jr	01/02/68	Pedro Herring	05/22/70
Anderson Linwood Ruderson		William Norman Jensen Jr	05/22/70
WIA 01/02/68	01/13/68	Lawrence William Theis	05/22/70
Joel Kenton Brown	02/18/68	Michael Armond De Masi	
Dan Sellman Hicks	DOW 03/07/68	Died in D (4.2" mortars)	07/12/70
David Kenneth Ditch	03/13/68	<u>Delta Company (also see Recon)</u>	
Doc Todd Earle Swanson +		Joseph Robert Ajster	10/05/68
Attached from HHC	03/13/68	<i>Woodie</i> Junior Dean	11/01/68
John Edward Nelson	04/13/68	Albert Lummis Gay Jr	11/01/68
Benjamin Allen Honeycutt	05/02/68	Daniel Charles Patterson	11/01/68
Andrew L Heider	05/13/68	Doc John Edwin Lutze +	
Ernest Lee Elliott	06/20/68	Attached from HHC	11/08/68
Doc Larry Russell Kennann +		Walter Sturgeon	02/23/69
Attached from HHC	06/20/68	Michael Armond De Masi (4.2" mortars)	
Sidney Chester Squires	06/20/68	Also Served in C	07/12/70
<i>Preacher</i> David Lynn Stockman	06/20/68	Thomas Francis Delano	07/27/70
Arthur Wayne Thomas	DOW 06/24/68	Thomas Paul Coffino +	
<i>Ronald</i> August Ferrel Bolt	07/01/68	Attached from HHC	09/13/70
Robert Charles Dickinson	07/01/68		
Fred V Jurado	07/01/68	<u>Headquarters Company (also see Recon)</u>	
William Rieves Curry	07/06/68	Joseph Cousette	Died in C 11/19/66
Charley Vernon Stanley ** NOT on Wall **		Doc William David Lambert +	

Died with Recon	12/07/66
Doc Douglas J Sullivan +	
Died with C	01/08/67
Carlos Ugarte	
Died with B	02/06/67
Doc Ronald Grant Mottishaw +	02/16/67
Teddy Wayne Steelman	02/27/67
Doc Bruce Anthony Corcoran +	
Died with A	03/19/67
Larry Buford	04/18/67
John Joseph Thomas	
Died with D 4 th /31 st 196 th LIB	05/05/67
Mick Michael James Beirne	05/10/67
Doc James Brannon Meek +	
Died with B	11/28/67
Michael Ray Rice	
Attached from D 65 th Eng	12/26/67
Doc Thomas G Bernardy +	
Died with C	01/02/68
Doc Todd Earle Swanson +	
Died with C	03/13/68
Jimmy Joe Tessadri	03/25/68
Doc Gerald Crawford Mull +	
Died with A	04/13/68
Gary Edward Rusha	DOW 04/18/68
Doc Wayne Thomas Provencher +	05/10/68
George Coleman	Also Served in A
Died in D Co 125 th Signal Bn	05/13/68
Doc Michael Cami Wittevrongel +	
Died with A	05/13/68
William Junior Tarpley	05/16/68
Doc Larry Russell Kennann +	
Died with C	06/20/68
Doc Vernon Leon Headrick +	
Died with A	09/19/68
Doc John Edwin Lutze +	
Died with D	11/08/68
William Scott Watts	
Also served in C	11/21/68
Doc Steven Slusher +	Died with A 01/08/69
Larry Allen Stark	03/15/69
Doc Roberto Cervantes Duenas +	
Died with A	08/19/69
Timothy R Miedzielec	10/11/69
Leslie Fred Shenk	11/10/69
Doc Jack William Pomeroy +	
Died with C	11/25/69
Doc Robert Eugene Romero +	
Died with B	12/03/69
Doc Thomas Paul Coffino +	
Died with D	09/13/70
<u>Recon Platoon</u>	
<u>Recon in Hq Co</u>	
Michael Gerald Peterson	10/26/66
Doc William David Lambert +	
Attached from HHC	12/07/66
Frank Monroe Murphy	

Also Served in C	12/07/66
James Essary	01/17/67
Edward Ralph Glenn Jr	01/17/67
Heeb Yvon Andre Hebert	
Also Served in A in Basic	01/17/67
Dale Clarence Schummer	01/17/67
Joseph Thomas Melendres	03/18/67
Michael Francis Smith	03/18/67
Houston Clifford Box Jr	01/02/68
Emerson Paul Cole	03/28/68
<u>Recon in Delta Co</u>	
Brooks Michael Scrivner	12/17/68
Marvin Dewayne Canterbury	02/23/69
James Frederic Uttermark	02/23/69
Rufus Newton Stevenson Jr	05/14/69
Donald Ray Webb	03/09/70
Milton Perez-Rivera	05/02/70
Charles F Armentrout	05/22/70
Orla Daniel Hammack	06/07/70

A Closing Thought

Many of the articles of this newsletter are tributes to our fallen comrades. Awb Norris, SSGT Pickett, and the many listed in other articles are remembered as the soldiers they were. We honor them for the principles for which each one gave his life. Many were young and made their sacrifice on the battlefield. Some returned home to die of the injuries received. Some spent a lifetime trying to forget. Others spent their lifetime trying to find Brothers and bring them to the Triple Deuce for the Brotherhood and support needed. Let not their sacrifices be in vain. As we gather we will remember each of them, support each other and celebrate this great country for which we all have given so much.

Dan Streit D,69/70

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