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An Association of 2 Bn. (Mech)

22nd Infantry Regiment

Viet Nam Veterans



Together Then.....Together Again!.....

Thanks for Being There...&...Welcome Home



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello again to our Brothers, Sisters and other members of the Triple Deuce family. I had one of the best emails recently from the blood brother of one of us who was KIA in 68 in Nam. The email evoked the love this man had for his sibling, and a bit of anxious concern that he was bothering us when he asked for contact with anyone who might have known his brother, SSGT **George Bennie Dukes**, Bravo company 2/22. Of course we all know that his request is in no way a bother or a chore to members of this outfit. It is our main purpose in existing to reunite Brothers, help Brothers deal with their Nam devils, and once in a while inform family who need to know the facts about lost ones so many decades later. Toby's request falls into that last one for sure. His letter and my response are supposed to be in this newsletter, but if not I will repeat Toby's contact info: twdukes24@gmail.com and 803 274 8766 if you'd like to talk to him personally. And if you do talk to him, remind him that as a brother to a Triple Deuce KIA, he is also a Brother to us all and welcome to any function, reunion or communication we share about who we are and what we do.

Dick Nash A & HHC/69

Please contact me if you would consider receiving the Newsletter via email. It would save me a lot of time and VN222 some money.

Thanks Dan, d222@nckcn.com

EDITOR'S COMMENTS

According to Ronald Regan," Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the blood-stream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same. " To me it seems obvious that what he meant is that we should not get complacent about what we have because there are people who want to destroy it

We, too often, get so busy with our day to day activities that we forget the price that was paid to maintain the freedom/the liberty on which our country was founded. Each generation preceding our own has fought—either on the battlefield or in the political arena to pass this heritage on to subsequent generations. Endeavoring to protect our children and grandchildren from the horrors of war is natural, but is it right? True appreciation of our lifestyle comes with a full understanding of the price that was paid to maintain it. And how do people learn the truth about that price ? It is certainly not from movies, television shows or video games. It is from living through it or having the stories (even the unpleasant details) shared.

A true working knowledge of duty, honor, and responsibility and the great American values behind them belongs to the soldier who fought to establish/maintain said knowledge. How is that knowledge transferred to future generations? We cannot rely on history textbooks; they are too often rewritten. We cannot rely on strong civics curriculum in our public schools; this element has too often been replaced by self fulfilling, personal enrichment, feel good type courses.

Passing the torch is our responsibility. It is our right. We don't often set that precious grandchild down and talk about the Hell on earth we experienced when we were boys ourselves. Perhaps we should instead of relying on them to absorb the values and behaviors through osmosis. And what about those poor people who do not have access to the "history makers"? Once

again I would stress that it is our right/our responsibility to keep the truth of where our nation has been and how far it has come alive.

One of the simplest ways to guarantee that those following us will receive true and accurate information is to tell our story. To repeat it often. To lead our children and their children to the truth through the details and stories of War. I don't think too many of my Triple Deuce Brothers will write the great American novel but each of us can document our individual portion of the American story by writing and submitting articles to The Triple Deuce Newsletter.

Eagerly, I await your submission to the newsletter. Truth shall keep us free. . .any way, that is how it seems to this old soldier.

Dan Streit, DMOR
D/69

INFORMATION NEEDED

My name is Toby Dukes and my brother **George Bennie Dukes** was KIA on June 30, 1968. He was an E6 and served in Co B, 22 Inf, 25 Inf Div from April thru June 1968. I have had a hard time getting info on the time he served in Vietnam. I just found your Newsletter and wondered if you could help me find someone who might have fought with him. Any info would be greatly appreciated. Toby Dukes

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Branchville, SC 29432
803-274-8766

Dave Carter, stepson of **Doug Talbert**, has notified us that Doug passed away in early June. Dave has requested that anyone who served with his Dad contact him. His contact info is:

Captain Dave Carter, CFEI, AIC, PFT
Montgomery County Fire Rescue Station 4
17921 Brooke Road
Sandy Spring, MD 20860
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David.Carter2@montgomerycountymd.gov

Dave is interested in learning about the actions that his Dad was involved in as well as any other information that he can incorporate in a memorial to his Dad. Dave has been in contact with Dan Stegner, Dan served with Doug Talbert. Dave will provide contact information for Dan to other Bravo Vets who served with him.

Jim May, HMOR
Pro. Co. 1968

DONATIONS SOUGHT

Anyone wishing to make donations in support of the 22nd Active Duty Soldiers stationed at Ft Drum are asked to make the donations to and send to the following address:

Comradery of Courage
LTC Shane F. Finn
10520 South Riva Ridge Loop
Fort Drum, NY 13602

Donations are used to support the Active Duty Soldiers when a need presents itself.

Jim May, HMOR
Prov. Co. 1968

COMPANY ROSTERS ADDED TO WEBSITE

Bill Noyes has finished sending me the Roster he obtained using a researcher in St Louis some time ago. They are now all placed into an index for viewing.

Note: Some are not very readable because of the technology used to originally microfilm them and/or the technology used by the researcher to copy them for Bill. None the less, most can be read with a little "study".

Thank you
Steve Irvine
B 68-69



HONORARY MEMBER NAMED

In our small town of Bigfork Minnesota, we have an exceptional teacher who has developed a program to teach her students about Patriotism. Every April, Michelle Carnahan has her 5th grade students interview the area Veterans about their experiences. This includes WWII, Vietnam, Iraq, and Afghan Veterans. The students ask very detailed questions as to branch of service, rank, type of work, decorations, wounds, deaths, emotions, etc. At first I was hesitant to answer detailed questions on combat but then realized the children needed and wanted to fully understand about war.

The 5th graders then design and produce a very patriotic program in which all the Elementary Students participate to include songs and poems. Ms. Carnahan, a navy veteran of 6 years, directs the program given for the Veterans and other residents as part of Memorial Day. At the close of the program I was honored to present to a very emotional Ms. Carnahan a certificate as a Honorary Member of the 22nd Infantry Regiment Society. We had two area newspapers cover this story also. A special thank you to Lon Oakley, Skip Fahel, Dick Nash, and all others who helped make this possible.

Dean Springer B, 67-68

MINI REUNION CELEBRATED

Tom Taluzek celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary and my 2nd of the 22nd (MECH) Infantry, B Company 3rd Platoon, 50th Vietnam Squad reunion on March 20, 2016. Tom Izbicki, Ray Lee, Chuck Anderson and Chip LaCase and Tom were present. Only Willie Smith was missing. We all served in Nam from September 1966 to September 1967. We are all grateful that we made it home.



Tom Taluzek B/66-67



Left to Right, Tom Izbicki, Chip LaCase, Tom Taluzek, Chuck Anderson, Ray Lee

MINI REUNION HELD IN FLORIDA

So many of the Triple Deuce guys visit Florida in the winter months, that it's a perfect time to have a "gathering" of the group. . .and this was about the fourth year it happened. (March 5-7, 2016)

Thanks to Maggie and Joe Fraser, for once again inviting everyone to their home in the Villages for a "mini get-together" including a catered lunch and then entertainment at "the Square". The second day some shopped and others visited the Eisenhower Museum which is filled with all military memorabilia, a great experience.

In the evening, again at the Square listening to "Motown", drinks and good laughs and a great dinner with friends from the past and now. . "Friends Forever"

The Frasers plan to have the event yearly—so if you are in Florida. . .in March next year. . .make sure you let them know. . .and join in the group! The Marriot Hotel offers Veteran's rates, but you have to book early (a date will be announced but it is usually the first week of March)

What fun! And to think these Vietnam Veterans served together. . .only a half century ago?

Betty Brenneman, HMOR

REMEMBRANCE DAY OBSERVED

The morning of June 20th found me traveling the picturesque two lane roads from my home in Maine across New Hampshire, Vermont and Northern New York to Ft. Drum to visit with the Soldiers of 2-22nd Mtn and to attend the 10th Mountain Division's Remembrance Day event.

My first stop was at Triple Deuce Battalion area. **MAJ Nick Bilotta** greeted me and introduced me to the incoming XO, **MAJ Stewart Chapman**. MAJ Chapman is a 10th Mountain Soldier who was most recently assigned to the 4-31st INF, Polar Bears, another 1st BCT unit. (**Skip Fahel's** first assignment after completing OCS was with the 31st INF, Polar Bears, in the 197th INF BDE at Ft Benning, GA. There were only 23 letters in the Alphabet back then!) Nick had told Stu about the 'Old Goats Squad' and Stu, like most others, welcomed me as a representative of not only the 'Old Goats,' but the entire 22nd Infantry Regiment Society. The topic of conversation when meeting career Soldiers newly assigned to 2-22, 10th Mtn is always the same. That is, that they have never been assigned to a Battalion sized unit that receives the kind of attention and support that the 22nd Infantry Regiment Society together with the Vietnam Triple Deuce offers the Active Duty Soldiers of the Regiment. All of you, the Members of 22 IRS and/or VN 222 can take pride in knowing that your support is well appreciated and well known.

My next introduction was to **LTC Shane Finn** the BN CO. I had not met Shane before Triple Deuce's deployment to Iraq. Shane is a Light Infantry Soldier coming to Triple Deuce from the 173rd Airborne Brigade. He is a graduate of Providence College where he was commissioned out of the ROTC program. I mentioned that one of my High School classmates had followed a similar path and retired as a Colonel. Once I mention my classmates name Shane said that he knew my classmate's son, another 173rd Soldier. Rhode Island, where I was raised, is a 'small world' kind of place where everyone knows someone who knows someone that someone else knows. I'm pleased to know people like my classmate who have dedicated their lives to defending our Nation and to know that his son has followed in his footsteps.

Back to the visit. Those who attended the Syracuse Reunion had the pleasure of meeting Nick Bilotta and many of us had the honor of signing a copy of the 22nd Monument mechanical draw-

ing plans that **Lon Oakley** presented to Nick as representative of the Battalion. Nick had those plans matted and framed and hung in the entrance to BN HQ. Nick commented that it would be good to have a proper photo of the Monument to display next to the plans. Well, it just so happens that I have a most proper photo of the Monument. It is the photo that was taken by **Bob Babcock** and was used as the model for the 22nd IRS T-shirt. When I got home I sent that photo to Nick. He was very impressed with the photo and said it would be matted, framed and hung before he left for his new assignment. I believe that those of us attending the Dining Out later in August will see the photo displayed as Nick intended.

I met up with **Pete Gaworecki** and we made a stop at the 2-22, 10th Mtn Memorial Site. Pete had been out to the site working the tiles that surround the pedestals and while there noted that a new American Flag was needed. We replaced the worn Flag with a new one and also noted that the site had been cleaned up. A Tango Yankee goes out to **1SG Card** and his kids for doing the clean-up work.

I spent the evening at the hotel in Watertown watching TV at the bar while enjoying adult beverages and a light meal. I was about to leave when **Dawn Esposito** came in. Dawn had been with the Gold Star Families as is the custom during the Remembrance Day event. Dawn and I visited for a while discussing the following day's events. It was going to be a busy day.



Bob and Linda Ollis, Parents of SSG Michael Ollis

I met up with Pete at the 10th Mountain Monument site where the day's events would be held. I was expecting the delivery of a wreath that was to be used at the dedication of the newly placed pedestal bearing the name of **SSG Michael Ollis**, KIA during the 2013 Afghanistan Deployment. The dedication of the pedestal was to take place immediately following the Division activities. Bushmaster (Bravo) Company served as Honor Guard. They were kind enough to provide a Guidon Bearer for the VN 222 Guidon. **Bob and Linda Ollis**, Gold Star parents of SSG Michael Ollis were in attendance as well as other members of the Triple Deuce Gold Star family. I missed all of the Division activities and much of the Triple Deuce dedication while waiting for the wreath. The wreath was supposed to be delivered NLT 1000 HRS, when it did arrive at 1115 HRS I scampered through the trees approaching the site from the back side. I handed the wreath to one of the NCO's and asked him to place the wreath next to the pedestal. LTC Finn made the comment, "On time logistics." It wasn't how it was supposed to happen and I apologize for not having a proper presentation.

Now it was back to BN for a lunch hosted by the **New Your State AMVETS**. Once again, the AMVETS stepped up to provide support for Triple Deuce. For the next few hours Pete and I visited with old friends and new friends. The BN just received a number of newly commissioned 2nd LT's. I do my best to help them to understand that the best thing that can happen to them is to be assigned with a Senior NCO who is willing to help them learn what it is that they are really supposed to be doing.

At 1800 HRS Pete and I met up with **Rob Schexnayder** and Nick Bilotta at the 2-22, 10th Mtn Memorial Site. Lon Oakley had forwarded a plaque that Rob, as the 22nd IRS Liaison Officer, was to present to Nick in appreciation and recognition for all that Nick had done while serving as XO of the Battalion. Nick's next assignment will be at the Joint Training Command at Ft. Leavenworth. Pete and I joined Rob in thanking him for all that he has done, wishing him good fortune

and hoping that he would return to Triple Deuce as BN CO.

With our official duties completed, we headed for Watertown where we were joined by Kim Schexnayder for dinner.

Jim May, HMOR



Pete Gaworecki, Rob Schexnayder, Nick Bilotta, Jim May

THANK YOU 2-22

It's about time I wrote to all my Vietnam Triple Deuce Brothers, family members, and associate members, to thank you all for the very great honor of being named a Distinguished Member, of such an unbelievably successful, Combat Infantry Battalion. The Vietnam Triple Deuce.

From being punk kids in 1965, to recipients of the Presidential Unit Citation in about a year. Wow! And who replaced us? More of the same--who gave the enemy as much grief as all Triple Deucers throughout history have done. By the way. Don't mess with today's Triple Deucers either. They have our legacy well in hand, and are much more than simply "Active Duty Soldiers." For me to be a part of that legacy elicits nothing but wonder and pride. To be distinguished by those Veterans, and buddies is beyond words. You have given me much more than I have given you. Thank you, and God bless you all.

I accept this recognition in honor of all of our Fallen Brothers, especially those of Feb. 10,

1967, whom I think of every day. To have stood by you, is the only higher honor I have received. Your Deeds, are beyond Words. You are the pinnacle of my Distinguished Member roster, as you are with all Members of The Vietnam Triple Deuce. We won't forget you because we can't, and don't want to.

Yes. I crawled into my nice comfy foxhole recently and let the world fly right over my head taking just a peek or two now and then. I was pulled out of my stupor by my old basic training bunkmate, who has some kind of problem with me stepping on his head while exiting the top bunk one night. Geez! I had my boots off! Anyway, **Jim Neeley** (CBO) corralled a bunch of other CBO thugs, and their even tougher wives, to honor me with such a beautiful plaque. ...and to think that I thought Neeley was still trying for some kind of payback or something. I did get lost on the way to the gathering—which is fitting. I didn't have a compass or map just some high tech electronic stuff that got me even more lost. So, I got on the horn and had them talk me into the perimeter as they had no spotter rounds to guide me. I am not sure what I said after receiving the honor. I hope I expressed my heartfelt thanks and pride of being included in the Brotherhood of CBO's, and The Vietnam Triple Deuce.

This honor has come to me at a time when I am going through another change in my life. Retirement. I wasn't really prepared to face that fact, or was confused about what that that meant. I got the part about, "You don't have to go to work now." But the "what now?" part is slow in coming.

Apparently I felt the need to stop everything else I was doing too. Including stepping down as your President. Today, I have a better outlook on retirement, and realize that it isn't simply not working for someone else anymore, or not working at all, it's the freedom to work for whomever, or whatever I want to, when I want to. I like not shaving every morning too. (Sorry Sergeant Major, but that's the way it is.)

Some call it soul searching. In a nutshell, that is what I have been doing. Sound familiar? I have seen many of you go through the same thing as the 70th birthday approaches. You came through great, and I will follow your examples and do the same.

Some of you know of my health problems, and that my Mother recently passed.

I have just received pretty good news about my health. The problem is not getting worse. If it does, the fix isn't very invasive. Of course, I have to help, and will certainly try. Mom's passing reminded me that we are running out of The Great Generation of Americans, as she was—married to a Pacific Theater Army soldier, and worked for the US Army a couple of years herself. And now, she has a VN222 Distinguished Member for a son. She saw the beautifully framed citation you all gave me, and was (Is!) proud of her little boy. I dedicate this honor to you Mom, as well.

Currently I am spending my time rediscovering my coin collecting hobby, and building a studio for painting watercolors and designing stuff I'd like to see. Who knows, maybe something like The Order of the Red Ant will come out again. (No, The Feces Barrel Duty Medal will not come from me.)

I hope to make the Vegas reunion in 2017. I can't see any reason not to. Unless we have dancing Colonels on stage again. Then again... Thank you again everybody. Deeds, not words.

Lynn William Dalpez, DMOR

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AIR FORCE SALUTE

Painted by Jim Nelson

Displayed at the Air Force Museum Ft. Worth Texas, this makes the 11th military museum in which Jim's works are currently displayed. The painting is 36 " by 48" and the frame was custom made by Mike Cheney from Lincoln, Kansas.

The painting depicts the 22 Mech Infantry laagered in a clearing. Two F100 Super Sabers and a F6 Phantom are flying over after the Trapezoid Fight November, 1967.

BATTLE OF GOOD FRIDAY REMEMBERED

The following are a series of messages that were posted on the VN 222 Group e-mail in response to Bob Price's remembrance of 13 APR 1968. I'm certain that many who are reading this would have liked to have added your comments. To do so, you need only get on the Group e-mail. Contact **George Dahl**, gtdahl@iphouse.com for help in joining the Group.

(1) Just wanted to say hello to all of our 3/22 brothers who survived the Battle of Good Friday on 4/12/68. Also want to pay tribute to their 16

brothers who were KIA that day. I was with the Bravo & Charlie rescue team from 2/22 that came to their aide that day. Thank God that we pulled up stakes in the middle of the night & got to their location @ dawn. The gooks were all within the perimeter, ammunition running low, artillery strikes being called within the perimeter when we arrived. Really hard seeing that many wounded & dead Americans at one time. My Platoon carried in many of the dead. One machine gunner in particular had a big stack of dead gooks in front of his position but unfortunately paid the ultimate sacrifice, took a bullet between the eyes. Many of the scenes from that day are still fresh in my mind.

Bob Price, Bravo 222, 9/67 to 9/68

(2) Bob, remember that night move and breaking into the perimeter.

E. Q. Skip Fahel

(3) I watched the Battle of Good Friday from the helicopter re-arm point. I'd brought some of the Men out to help the re-arm guys; this happened any time the re-arm point got busy. I could see the explosions, the choppers going in, the jets dropping bombs and then the artillery coming back in when the air units were back re-arming, it went on all night. One of my radios was on the Brigade frequency and the other was on the Recon Plt push, I'd lost Recon as escorts a couple of days prior. They were joining the Battalion, probably, in anticipation of what was to come. I don't know where Recon was on that night but there push was silent. The Brigade push was nonstop busy. I also had an AM/FM radio I'd bought at the PX and had found that I could listen in on the jet-to-jet transmissions on the FM band.

The battle was west and to the north a bit of where I was, close to where the Ben Cui rubber ended. It was surreal. I don't remember hearing anything from the battle site, but there was a lot of noise where I was with the choppers coming to re-arm and re-fuel.

I don't remember exactly when the KIA's and WIA's started coming in probably because they were brought to the air strip where the hospital was.

A note in my diary on 12 APR reads in part, "... 24 KIA's were brought in today. The big battle is going on where the SF Troops reconed a regiment..." The SF Troops stayed with the Provisional Company when they were in the area. They had told me about "...a regiment..." close to Dau Tieng, but not near the MSR. I learned, from reading Chuck Boyle's book that no one in 3/22 was told why they were deployed to the place where the battle took place. I told Chuck about this when I met him in San Antonio. When he gave his talk he mentioned that he's just learned that "the clerks in Dau Tieng knew there was a regiment out there, but we didn't know what we were facing." (Wish he didn't refer to me as a "clerk.")

Much of what happened that night can be blamed on a lackadaisical attitude by much of 3/22 because they were not told of the seriousness of their mission. Only Charlie, 3/22 dug in and were prepared for what came their way. If Bill Allison and Skip hadn't taken matters into their own hands, 3/22 would probably have been completely destroyed.

More KIA's were brought in the next day.

Jim May, Provisional Co. 1968

(4) I remember moving out with C 2/22 in darkness not knowing what to expect when we arrived. Our mortar platoon set up quickly as we entered the perimeter and began a fire mission to support an ambush patrol outside of 3/22's perimeter. We then fired mortars at will at the retreating enemy

David Milewski, Charlie Co., 9/67 to 9/68

(5) We can all be very thankful for two things that made that night go very much better than it could have gone. 1.. 2/22 was properly dispersed and could promptly move out with Bill Allison in lead and 2 . . .King J's radio wasn't functioning and I

was able to give Charlie 6 the word to move out. Not a good night but could have been much worse. Actually 2/22 became quite good at responding to any other unit's need!!

Deeds Not Words,

Ed Schultz, HHC 1967-1968

As you know I was not there and was already home, but when I read about that time, "I am back there" reliving. I do remember the BC and that the road where Charlie Company had the area has had an additional road out towards the Razor Backs and the river. On the aerial view of the BC then, it looks like the river was much out of its banks and closer to the BC. An additional runway had been put to the airfield also.

Am currently reading "The Battle for An Loc " and can only imagine at that time in 72 what activity there was in Dau Tieng. None of us being here then.

We all did our job and most of us came home.
Always remember.

George Dahl, Charlie Co., 1966-1967

YOUR INPUT NEEDED

Roster of Names and Pictures

The New Roster of all known members who served in or directly supported Triple Deuce is now posted on the web. Is your picture up there? Currently we have 8% of our known brothers listed and a total of 957 identified brothers. Our Goal is 100%. Let us hear from you, Send a picture.

You can view the Roster and find instructions on sending us a picture at:

http://www.vietnamtripledeuce.org/Then_n_now.htm

or, go to the website <http://www.vietnamtripledeuce.org> and press the Then/Now Button on top.

Also, do you have a lot of pictures of your tour? or just a few? We would love to post them on the

web as well!

For instructions? go to <http://www.vietnamtripledeuce.org/Albums.html> and select the instructions line.

Thank you all again for your service; help us Memorialize your tour.

Steve Irvine

Co-Webmaster

B Co. 25th ID, 2nd/22nd 1968-1969

TAPS

Ken Sprotte

Fond du Lac, WI
HDQ Co.

I am sorry to say we lost a friend and a Triple Deuce original. **Ken Sprotte** of Fond du Lac WI passed away March 18th. He was in HDQ Company as a radio operator until he was injured the same day **Captain Danochek** not sure of the spelling was wounded. Ken was one of the original boat people.

Thanks

Don Stoffel, C/65-67

NEW FINDS

Donald J. Goss

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A Co. 25th ID, 67-68

Robert A. Collins

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collrcmk@earthlink.net
A Co. 4th & 25th ID, Dec 65 to Sep 67

Leon M. Franke

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Delano, MN 55328-9227
763-972-6645
kaclf@frontier.com
D Co., 25th ID, 9-70 to 11-70

"I was only with 2/22 for about 2 months. Most of that time I was in the field on an M578. Gary McLeod was the driver. I think SFC Young was our sergeant. The 25th was going home and I got transferred to 1st Squadron, 1st Cav, Americal Division. I was with them for about 12 months. Leon would like to contact **Gary McLeod** of Vail Colorado and **John Schultz** of Long Prairie, MN

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Timonium, MD 21093
443-821-6014
marcum2302@comcast.net
Alpha Co., 25th ID, Sep 68 to Sep 69

Lew would like to contact **Dale Marston** and **Reed Wciffe** (Not sure about spelling. Reed was the Chemical Guy in HHC.) , "Long time coming...After waging an all-out personal war against PTSD, I emerged (somewhat) victorious. Shortly thereafter, I was diagnosed with Stage 4 non-Hodgkins lymphoma, compliments of Agent Orange! Can a guy get a break??? I am doing well (It's all relative) and am eager to get back in the fold. Spent yesterday with Nard Cossaboon; we hadn't seen one another in 47 years and it seemed like yesterday. We picked up where we left off. BONUS: Our wives got along! Sign me up for whatever I can do! Welcome home."

Gerard Marceau, Jr. (Frenchie)
337-201-1625
aparkles5653@yahoo.com
D Co. 25th ID, Jan 69 to Feb 70

HELLOES & COMMENTS

Terry D. Hollinger
602-538-4631
familyh@aol.com
B Co. 25th ID, Dec 69 to Nov 70

Comments: Terry would like to locate **Ronald W. Swinney, Doc, Richard F. Byers** and **Jerry Reed**.

Melvin J. Gurney
813-855-2256
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B Co. 25th ID, 11-68 to 11-69

William D. Blom
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HHC 25th ID, 69-70

GUEST BOOK HITS

Name: **Leon Franke**
Location: Delano MN
Email: kaclf@frontier.com
I was with D Co., 2/22, from Sept. 1970, till Nov. 1970. I was on an M578, tracked recovery Veh. Spent most of my time in the field, supporting the Rome plows.
Posted on: Tuesday - May 3, 2016

Name: Melissa Greene
Location: Texas
Email: Wilrite4fd@yahoo.com
Looking for anyone who knew **William E. "Rick" Maxwell**, KIA 4/12/68 In the Battle of Good Friday. Bravo Co, 3/22. My dad's best friend. I'm working on a project to honor Rick and would like to speak with anyone who has memories or photos of him.
Posted on: Sunday - May 8, 2016

Name: **Thomas Gregson**
Location: Beebe, Arkansas
Email: tgregson@hotmail.com
Phone: 501-882-3232
I was wounded on in August 69 in the Bolo Woods. I was with Co. A 2nd 22nd 25 If anyone remembers me I would like to hear from you.
Posted on: Friday - Jun 24, 2016

Name: **Jim Bimshas**
Location: New Hampshire
Email: jibimshas@comcast.net
I have a friend that went through some terrible experiences with the Triple Deuce in 69-71 and is suffering horribly now. Can anything be done?
Posted on: Sunday - Jul 17, 2016

Name: **John H Perry**
Location: Columbus GA
Email: jhperry1946@gmail.com
Served with C-2-22-4d from Nov 66 - Mar 67. Operations Cedar Falls and Junction City. Squad leader, replaced a **Sgt Perry** who had been evacuated, and served with RC Perry who was killed Feb 13, 67 in that awful accidental bombing event! Evacuated after that and moved to 196 Bde in March 67. Lost 1!
Posted on: Thursday - Jul 14, 2016

Name: **Freddie Carter**
Location: Rockford
Email: freddie000@msn.com
Phone: 815-398-8945
I'm looking for anybody who was in Charlie Co. 1968 I was the Medic in 3rd platoon.
Posted on Tuesday- Aug 23, 2016

Brothers we need to search our memories and scrap books for any memories of George Bennie Duke who was KIA in April of 68 as a member of B company 2/22nd. The following request was submitted by his brother Toby, and needs our prompt attention. I have welcomed Toby into our family and hope you will too, especially if you can help him with memories of George...

Dick Nash, A & HHC/69
Ed. Note: See associated article page 3

Challenge Coin

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Include your name, address, phone number and email address. If I'm out of something I'll let you know when to expect it. If you'd like something special, let me know. The guy who does the embroidery is an Air Force Vet and has great respect for you Infantrymen. If there is a way to put the logo on something he'll do it. Call me at 207-634-3355 or email to

jlmay@tds.net

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| Total Shipping Charges _____ | | | |



Denim Long Sleeve Shirt, with Pocket
 \$ 35.00 Sizes Small to X-Large
 \$ 37.00 Sizes 2X-Large and 3X-Large
 Special Colors, add \$ 5.00

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All items are shipped US Mail with delivery confirmation. Shipping charges are: one hat \$6.00 one shirt \$8.00, one hat & one shirt \$8.00. two shirts \$8.00 Add \$3.00 for each additional hat or shirt. No additional shipping charges when pins and patches are included with the purchase of hats or shirts. Make checks payable to : **Vietnam Triple Deuce, Inc.**

Send orders to: Jim May
 P.O. Box 665
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Light Gray Short Sleeve Polo Shirt, with Pocket.
 \$ 28.00 ea. Sizes Small to X-Large
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 Other colors available Add \$ 3.00



T-Shirts are \$18.00 sizes Small thru XL. \$20.00 for sizes XXL and larger
 Shipping is the same as the other shirts.



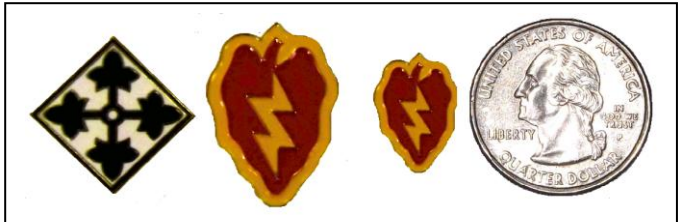
Summer hats, mesh back. White or Black



Hats: One Size fits all
 Colors: Black with Regiment Crest and Gold Letters
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All Hats are \$15.00 ea + Shipping



6 Panel Hats Black and Khaki



The 4th ID and Small 25th ID pins are \$5.00 and the Large 25th ID pin is \$7.00 Shipping is \$3.00



MECH Pin is \$5.00 Shipping is \$3.00

VIETNAM TRIPLE DEUCE, INC.
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM
MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM
(Dues Amount \$15.00 per year)

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ State_____ Zip+4_____

Phone_____ E-Mail Address_____

I served with the 2-22 in Vietnam: Company_____ Division_____ Dates served _____

I served in support of the 2-22 in Vietnam: unit and dates served _____

I did not serve in or support the 2-22 in Vietnam but wish to be an associate member_____

Men you served with who you would like to contact: _____

My dues are enclosed for year(s)_____. Amount*_____

Sorry, there are no Life Memberships

Additional amount you elect to give to the Helping Hand Fund. Amount**_____

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The Sponsored Attendees Program, our Active Duty Soldiers, and
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Attention New members:

Do you wish to have your name, address, phone number and e-mail address listed in the Comments
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