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# Thanks

*"Develop an attitude of gratitude, and give thanks for everything that happens to you, knowing that every step forward is a step toward achieving something bigger and better than your current situation." Brian Tracy*

These three recipients of FMDA scholarships epitomize the above quote. We wish them the best in their academic endeavors.

### Justin Lambert



My name is Justin Lambert and I received the 2019-2020 1st Marine Division Association Scholarship. The school that I will attend is the University of South Alabama and I plan to major in Computer Science. I am honored and I would like to thank you on behalf of my father, mother, and I.

And from Justin's sister…

### Jacklynn Lambert

Hello,



My name is Jacklynn Lambert. I was awarded the 2019-2020 1st Marine Division Association Scholarship. I will attend Troy University in the fall of 2019. I plan to major in Mass Communication and to become a sports analyst.

Thank you and your executive board for awarding me this scholarship. I would also

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# Facts about the Vietnam Wall

*By Tom McCleod*

*"There are no noble wars, just noble warriors."*

Here is a little interesting history about the Vietnam Wall that most people will never know.

**Veterans Statistics off the Vietnam Memorial Wall.**

• There are 58,267 names now listed on that polished black wall, including those added in 2010.

• The names are arranged in the order in which they were taken from us by date, and within each date the names are alphabetized.

• It is hard to believe it is 62 years since the first casualty. The first known casualty was Richard B. Fitzgibbon, of North Weymouth, Mass, listed by the U.S. Department of Defense as having been killed on June 8, 1956. His name is listed on the



**Visitors at the Vietnam Wall in Washington D.C.**

Wall with that of his son, Marine Corps LCpl Richard B Fitzgibbon III, who was killed on Sept. 7, 1965.

• There are three sets of fathers and sons on the Wall.

• 39,996 on the Wall were just 22 or younger.

• 8,283 were just 19 years old.

• The largest age group, 33,103, were 18 years old.

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# 'Mighty Mo' gets stamp of approval




The Postal Service recently announced it's going to issue a stamp for the famous World War II battleship *USS Missouri:*

"The U.S. Postal Service celebrates the *USS Missouri* (BB-63) with a Forever stamp. The famed American battleship is being honored to coincide with the 75th anniversary of her commissioning on June 11, 1944. The battleship was affectionately nicknamed "Mighty Mo," and had one of the most historic roles during World War II. On Sept. 2, 1945, military officials from the Allied powers and imperial Japan convened on her deck and signed the documents confirming Japan's surrender and ending the war.

"The stamp art depicts *Missouri* from a low vantage point almost at sea level, cutting through the water at a moderate speed commensurate with entering or leaving port. Large and imposing in the frame, *Missouri* is shown in the disruptive camouflage she wore from her commissioning until a refit in early 1945. Clouds loom in the background, tinged with gold and rose from the sun's rays.

"Designed by art director Greg Breeding, the stamp features a digital illustration created by Dan Cosgrove.

"The *USS Missouri* stamp is being issued as a Forever stamp and will always be equal in value to the current First-Class Mail 1-ounce price.

"Customers may purchase stamps and other philatelic products through the Postal Store at usps.com/shop, by calling 800-STAMP24 (800-782-6724), by mail through USA Philatelic or at Post Office locations nationwide.

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# President's Message

Jerry Johs



I want to thank everyone who supported me as President for these past two years. Please get behind and also support the incoming president once he is elected into office.

A big thank you to June Cormier for all her help these past two years. She is the heart of the association. Her experience and knowledge of running the office is greatly appreciated. I feel we worked well together and kept things humming along, even when things weren't going well.

I also want to thank Dennis Coady and Marty Vasquez for all they did during my term as president.

I have one last thank you to my executive committee in attending meetings, advice, suggestions, and support.

Semper Fi,

Jerry Johs

FMDA President

# Telephonic Minutes: Executive Committee Meeting

**1st Marine Division Association**
**26 March 2019**

§ This meeting was called to order by association President Jerry Johs at 1200 hours PDT (1500 hours EST).

§ Officers present: President Jerry Johs; Vice President Vince Rios; Dep. V/P East Elmer Hawkins; Treasurer A. J. Burn; Secretary Pierre A. Sims; Legal Officer James T. Allison; DAL Central Steve (Doc) Lakernick; DAL West Stephen C. Dulin; D/P Central Paul Wojahn; Sgt.-of-Arms Jerry Corrento; DAL East Mike Galyean.

§ The following members were welcomed to sit in on this meeting: Executive Assistant June Cormier; Liaison Officer Marty Vasquez; and Administrative Assistant Dennis Coady.

§ Secretary Pierre A. Sims commenced with the roll call.

§ Minutes of the last meeting were approved to be printed in the OBN.

§ A quorum was met to conduct this meeting.

§ President Jerry Johs called for this telephonic meeting to discuss the upcoming officer elections scheduled for August 2019 to take place at the 1st Marine Division Association's reunion in Louisville, Kentucky, with ballots to be received in July 2019.

• The main topic of conversation involved two emails the association received from the family of James Fossos, who is running for President in the upcoming election.

• In the last telephonic conference, held on 19 March 2019, the association received an e-mail from the family of James Fossos to have his name removed from the ballot due to his medical condition, and with no known time frame in when his condition will improve.

• The committee recommended removing his name and moved to replace him by opening nominations for his position.

• Regarding the second e-mail it was requested that James Fossos's name be kept on the ballot, for his medical condition was showing improvement, and he desired to serve as President if elected.

§ President Johs opened a group conversation for all to discuss this matter.

§ After heavy discussion and concerns about James Fossos's medical status, and the consideration about other candidates applying for the position, it was decided to make a motion to keep James Fossos's name on the ballot.

§ A.J. Burn made the motion to keep James Fossos's name on the ballot.

• Steve "Doc" Lakernick disagreed and Vince Rios abstained.

• The rest of the committee voted to keep his name on the ballot. The motion was approved.

§ Vince Rios made a motion not to bring up this issue again.

• Mr. Rios's motion raised concerns from the committee about future possibilities of James Fossos's health and that future events can't be limited to this motion.

§ The vote was taken: three members voted yes and eight members voted no.

• The motion was not granted and it was seconded by Steve "Doc" Lakernick.

§ Meeting was adjourned at 1237 hours PDT (1537 hours EST).

*Respectfully submitted,*
*Pierre A. Sims, Secretary*

# Telephonic Minutes: Executive Committee Meeting

**1st Marine Division Association**
**17 May 2019**

This meeting was called to order by association President Jerry Johs at 1300 hours PDT (1600 hours EST). Officers present: President Jerry Johs; Vice President Vince Rios; Dep. V/P East Elmer Hawkins; Treasurer A. J. Burn; Secretary Pierre A. Sims; Legal Officer James T. Allison; DAL East Steve (Doc) Lakernick; DAL West Stephen C. Dulin; DAL Central Paul Wojahn.

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# The Editor's Desk©



Art Sharp

## Memories of MCRD San Diego©

It's odd that I have poignant memories of Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego, since I underwent boot camp at the real USMC recruit training center, Parris Island. (Just kidding.) The article about the MCRD San Diego Museum reminded me of my two visits there, once for a tour and once for a graduation, and the pleasant memories.

I am sure that boot camp was equally as taxing for San Diego recruits as it was for those of us at Parris Island (PI). There was one exception: we knew that once we crossed over the causeway from "Beautiful Beaufort" onto the island we were stuck there for thirteen weeks. There was no other way off the island except by swimming. Our DIs said it was fine with them if we wanted to go for it. Anyone of us who reached the mainland successfully would be the first. Whether that was true or not I don't know. I wasn't about to try for the record. There were 'gators in them thar' marshes.

By contrast all the recruits at MCRD San Diego had to do was scale a fence or two and board a plane at the nearby airport. That's what would have bothered me about San Diego: watching all those planes landing and taking off from the airport and knowing that all those coming and going were free to do so while I was stuck at the depot for an eternity. The next time I go through boot camp I will still opt for PI.

The first time I visited MCRD San Diego was to show Pvt. Elizabeth (Betsy) O'Meara what a Marine Corps boot camp looked like. I don't remember the year. I do remember her reaction. It was amusing. Mine was anything but. (Betsy was my wife. She went to "follow the big yellow footprints in heaven" a little over four years ago, after 48 years of marriage. She had earned her angel wings long before she got there.)

The tour was set up as if we were actual recruits arriving at 0 dark thirty. Real DIs greeted us and herded us through the yellow footprints, yelling and screaming as they did. A few of the people in the group showed actual fear as the exercise continued, which was a lot shorter than the real thing. The usual stoic Betsy in particular seemed a bit distraught until the "induction" ended. Then she relaxed a bit as the frenzy subsided.

Me? I wasn't sure if I had just unwittingly submitted myself to another thirteen weeks of fun and frolic under the tutelage of a wise and understanding USMC drill instructor—a special breed, to be sure. I glanced in the direction of the airport to make sure planes were still in operation—and vowing to board one as quickly as possible, even though I had driven to the depot.

The second time we visited the place was for a graduation. That was part two of Pvt. Betsy's USMC training. We learned that time that DIs do have hearts.

We were strolling off the parade deck after the ceremony ended. A drill instructor was striding a few paces to our right. He looked like he had just stepped off a recruiting poster: just over six feet tall, standing ramrod straight, svelte, wearing a spotless uniform with every crease in place, campaign hat set precisely on his head…I could tell that Betsy was considering a return visit to the yellow footprints—this time as an actual recruit—just to get to know him better. Fortunately she did not follow up on the temptation.

**I am sure that boot camp was equally as taxing for San Diego recruits as it was for those of us at Parris Island (PI). There was one exception: we knew that once we crossed over the causeway from "Beautiful Beaufort" onto the island we were stuck there for thirteen weeks.**

As we marched away in step two Marines who had just graduated from that DI's platoon chased after him. "Sir," they said in unison. He did not stop until the third "Sir."

There, for the first time, the three were equals: U.S. Marines.

"What?" he asked a bit brusquely.

"We just want to thank you for your care," they said.

That seemed to take the DI aback.

"You are welcome, Marines," he replied. "Good luck wherever you go."

The two recent graduates headed off in a different direction. Betsy and I peeked at the DI. We noted a bit of wetness around his eyes. Either a sudden rainstorm had formed over him from a cloudless San Diego sky and released one rain drop onto his eye or a tear had escaped his lacrimal glands. We suspected it was the latter. Wow! DIs—at least one of them—do have hearts. All anyone has to do to find that to be true is thank them for their efforts. That revelation made my second visit poignant, to say the least.

The next time I tour Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego I will no doubt recall that one tear—and I will visit the museum. Perhaps there is a photo of that most unique event posted on a wall somewhere. Nah! Probably not. That tear was a once-in-a-lifetime event that I will always treasure, whether it happened at San Diego or Parris Island.

### 2019 Revisit Korea Tour quotas increased

We have received an increase in quotas for the 2019 Revisit Korea Tours. The current dates are 22-28 July; 20-26 October and 8-14 November. The October and November tours are also going to Busan, the second largest city in South Korea, on the world famous "Bullet Train!"

For info call Jamie Wiedhahn at 703-590-295 or email at: jwiedhahn@miltours.com

Reminder: We have been notified that 2019 and 2020 are the last years of the ROK funded Revisit Korea program, ongoing since 1975.

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like to thank my father and all of the past and present who have served this country. This scholarship will help me and my family pay for my schooling and achieve my dream of becoming a sports analyst.

### Elle Pittman

Dear 1st Marine Division,



I would like to thank you from the bottom of my heart for selecting me to receive a scholarship. You are truly a wonderful organization and group of individuals who are making a difference in the lives of so many! This scholarship will greatly assist with my educational endeavors. Your kindness and generosity is deeply appreciated. I will always remember this generous scholarship you have bestowed upon me. I am truly honored to have been selected as a recipient.

As a child of a Marine, I will recite the two words, which are cherished, honored and respected within my home, "Semper Fi."

Thank you again for this honor.

*Elle Pittman*

## STAMP from page 1

The battleship was affectionately nicknamed "Mighty Mo," and had one of the most historic roles during World War II, Korea, and the Persian Gulf conflict."

On Sept. 2, 1945, military officials from the Allied powers and imperial Japan convened on her deck and signed the documents confirming Japan's surrender and ending the war.

I'm sure your readers would find this interesting since millions of people around the world were impacted by the war

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## WALL from page 1

• 12 soldiers on the Wall were 17 years old.

• 5 soldiers on the Wall were 16 years old.

• One soldier, PFC Dan Bullock, was 15 years old.

• 997 soldiers were killed on their first day in Vietnam.

• 1,448 soldiers were killed on their last day in Vietnam.

• 31 sets of brothers are on the Wall.

• Thirty one sets of parents lost two of their sons.

• 54 soldiers attended Thomas Edison High School in Philadelphia. (I wonder why there were so many from one school.)

• 8 Women are on the Wall, killed while nursing the wounded.

• 244 soldiers were awarded the Medal of Honor during the Vietnam War; 153 of them are on the Wall.

• Beallsville, Ohio, with a population of 475, lost 6 of its sons.

• West Virginia had the highest casualty rate per capita in the nation. There are 711 West Virginians on the Wall.

• The Marines of Morenci - They led some of the scrappiest high school football and basketball teams that the little Arizona copper town of Morenci (pop 5,058) had ever known and cheered. They enjoyed roaring beer busts. In quieter moments they rode horses along the Coronado Trail and stalked deer in the Apache National Forest. And in the patriotic camaraderie typical of Morenci's mining families, the nine graduates of Morenci High enlisted as a group in the Marine Corps. Their service began on Independence Day, 1966. Only three returned home.

• The Buddies of Midvale, LeRoy Tafoya, Jimmy Martinez, and Tom Gonzales, were boyhood friends and lived on three consecutive streets in Midvale, Utah: on Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Avenues. They lived only a few yards apart. They played ball at the adjacent sandlot ball field. And they all went to Vietnam. In a span of 16 dark days in late 1967, all three would be killed.

LeRoy was killed on Wednesday, Nov. 22, the fourth anniversary of John F. Kennedy's assassination. Jimmy died less than 24 hours later on Thanksgiving Day. Tom was shot dead assaulting the enemy on Dec. 7, Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day.

• The most casualty deaths for a single day occurred on January 31, 1968 ~ 245 deaths.

• The most casualty deaths for a single month occurred in May 1968 - 2,415 casualties were incurred.

For most Americans who read this they will only see the numbers that the Vietnam War created. To those of us who survived the war, and to the families of those who did not, we see the faces, we feel the pain that these numbers created. We are, until we too pass away, haunted with these numbers, because they were our friends, fathers, husbands, wives, sons and daughters.

Please pass this on to those who served during this time, and those who DO Care. I've also sent this to those who I KNOW do care very much, and I thank you for caring as you do.

*Tom McLeod is the FMDA's historian.*

# 50/50 Raffle Tickets On Sale

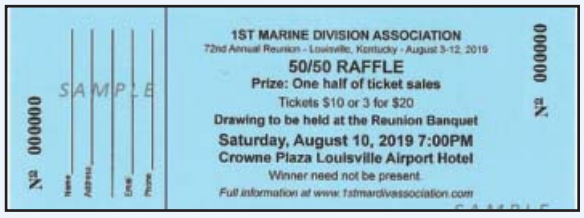
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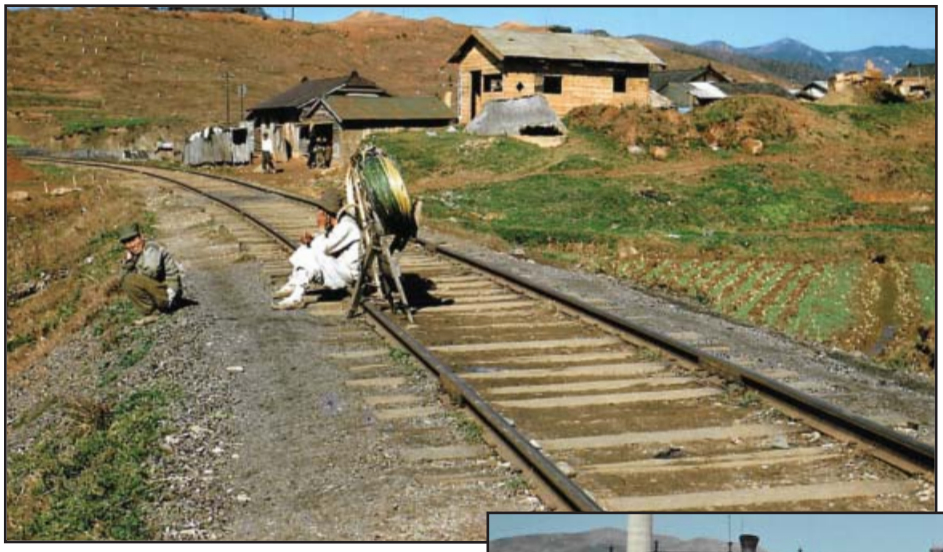


# Do you have a trove in your attic?

**Search your basements, attics, chicken coops, and other places to locate the "treasure troves" that can be used to enrich history.**

Every once in a while a package reaches our office that turns out to be a veritable treasure trove. Sometimes it contains memoirs of a Marines or Corpsman (essentially one and the same), a collection of long-lost photos, copies of newspaper or magazine articles featuring a battle or individual's accomplishments, or a combination thereof. More often than not the material has been lying around in some nook or cranny of a home, library, garage, etc. Do you have a trove that we can treasure and share with our readers?

Not too long ago we received separately a 5,000+-word memoir written by 1st Lt. Richard Schwartz, 3rd platoon, Charley Co, 7th Marines, relating his experiences at Hill 673 in Korea in September 1951 and a set of generic photos taken in Korea during the war, a couple of which are included nearby as examples. The photos did not relate specifically to a particular aspect of the war, but they can complement memoirs generically.



Lt. Schwartz's memoir was submitted by one of his platoon members, William T. Callahan. The memoir and photos will eventually grace the pages of the Old Breed News (OBN). More such submissions would be helpful.

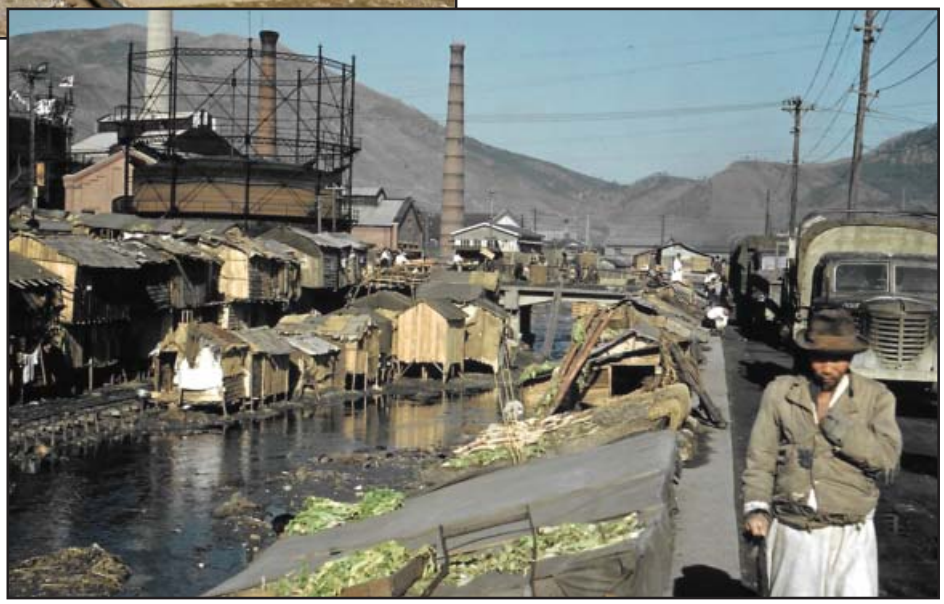
Late in 2018 the Chosin Few Association opted to convert to a legacy organization. I took on the duties of editor of the association's magazine, the Chosin Few Digest. There was an immediate influx of new association members who were relatives of the veterans of the battle. Several of them had on hand memoirs that their fathers, grandfathers, husbands et al had written over the years and put aside, stories about their relatives, photos that were just lying around, etc., which they sent us. How many more such memoirs, stories, and photos are just "lying around?"

Sometimes lying around with no purpose is a good thing. But it isn't in the case of Marines' memoirs or other historical documents that can be shared with the readers of OBN and used by historians and researchers to add to the "Lore of the Corps"—or history in general.

So, if you have any such material, please send it to us for inclusion in a future OBN. If material of historical value is going to be lying around it might as well lie around in the OBN's editorial offices.

Search your basements, attics, chicken coops, and other places to locate the "treasure troves" that can be used to enrich history. They do not have to be combat related. A lot of warfighters never saw combat but have stories to tell nonetheless or photos and artwork to document their experiences. We are open to virtually anything relating to USMC 1st Division history.

If you can add your treasure to our trove, please do so. It's a chance to clean out your files. Send your material to Arthur G. Sharp, 2473 New Haven Circle, Sun City Center, FL 33573. Our mail delivery technician might not be happy when it starts flowing in, but the editorial staff will be—and so will our members who eventually get to share in the abundance of new and updated "Lore of the Corps."



## MINUTES from page 3

### BACKGROUND

President Jerry Johs called for this telephonic meeting to discuss the upcoming officer elections scheduled for August 2019 to take place at the 1st Marine Division Association's reunion in Louisville, Kentucky, for which ballots will be received by July 2019.

It was brought to the president's attention that possible electioneering was taking place within the organization by Vice President Vince Rios. Evidence to support this allegation, to wit, was a letter submitted by V/P Rios to the association's headquarters in regards to the election and a letter from applicant Pete Rios, V/P Rios's son, stating that he was not considering running for office and did not know why his father submitted his name.

Apparently, V/P Vince Rios had a newsletter submitted to his chapter association, the A-1-5 Scuttlebutt, and was requesting that the newsletter to be published in the *Blue Diamond News* via Constant Contact. Also in this A-1-5 Scuttlebutt newsletter was a copy of the ballot with names already written in the write-in section of the ballot, suggesting that members vote for the person whose name was written in. That also suggested the appearance of electioneering.

This action is a violation of the 1st Marine Division Association by-laws, which is why this meeting was called to order.

### V/P RIOS'S EXPLANATION

V/P Vince Rios was given the opportunity to explain his actions. He stated that:

• the names in question were given to V/P East Elmer Hawkins, the election chairman, and that he thought the applications on each person was submitted on time.

• he did not know the applications were submitted late.

• he felt that Elmer Hawkins acted in good faith and thought everyone involved was aware of the situation.

§ Elmer Hawkins did not agree with this.

§ June Cormier, Executive Assistant, asked Vince Rios if he called and talked to her about the submitted applications; his reply was "No."

§ Vince Rios stated that he talked to someone in the office, but he was not sure who it was.

§ Concerns about whether Marty Vasquez submitted an application or e-mail to Vince Rios were discussed.

§ Treasurer A.J. Burn asked Vince Rios about the letter he sent to the office regarding making changes to the association once the election is official.

§ Vince Rios stated that he had the right to voice his opinion and saw nothing wrong with what he wrote.

• Regarding his son Pete Rios, he claimed he was interested at first, but apparently he changed his mind and Vince was not aware of this.

§ There was a detailed discussion back and forth regarding this matter.

• It was mentioned that V/P Rios requested that ballots be resent to certain members.

§ President Johs stated that once the ballots were mailed to every member of the association on file, it is the responsibility of that member to contact the association with an explanation as to why a ballot needs to be resent.

• Other than that, under no circumstance will a ballot be resent. This is to prevent duplications from the same member and, most importantly, electioneering.

§ June read the names of candidates on the ballot from the original ballot that was submitted to each member.

§ Legal Officer James Allison gave his thoughts about the matter.

• In his opinion, it appears that electioneering did take place in some form or fashion.

• Whether Vince Rios did it intentionally or not, the appearance of electioneering is obvious.

§ Vince Rios tried to plead his case, but to no avail. His defense was not convincing.

§ A.J. Burn made a motion that the names listed in the A-1-5 Scuttlebutt newsletter be voided, and the only ballot to be used for election is the official ballot that was mailed to all the members of the association.

§ Eight (8) members voted yes; one (1) member, Vince Rios, voted no. The yes votes were entered, and the motion was granted and seconded by Steve (Doc) Lakernick.

§ There was more discussion regarding this matter to the point that it was requested that all members be quiet and talk one at a time.

§ Legal Officer James Allison stated that the motion brought to the floor was correct and proper.

§ Vince Rios voiced his opinion of James Allison's thoughts and disagreed with the motion.

§ The meeting was almost called to order when Steve (Doc) Lakernick brought up a second motion that was supposed to be brought up by the president, but was forgotten because of all the discussion on the above matter.

§ Steve (Doc) Lakernick motioned that Vince Rios be removed from the original ballots that were submitted to the members of the association for consideration of election to Vice President or any officer position in the association for his action regarding electioneering.

§ Seven (7) members voted yes; one (1) member, Vince Rios, voted no. One member, A.J. Burn, abstained.

§ The yes votes were entered, and the motion was granted and seconded by Jerry Johs.

§ Elmer Hawkins mentioned that he will not do any counting of the ballots and that Mike Galyean will be counting the ballots.

§ Meeting was adjourned at 1410 hours PDT (1710 hours EST).

*Respectfully submitted,*
*Pierre A. Sims, Secretary*

**Attention All FMDA Chapters**

**Please send any updated information to FMDA headquarters when you have new officers with their updated address, telephone number, e-mail address and Chapter representative.**

**June Cormier,**
**june.oldbreed@FMDA.us**
**(760) 763-3267**

# A Historical Remembrance

The 1/1 Reunion Committee has been planning a great schedule for the October 23rd-26th 1st Battalion, 1st Marines Reunion to be held in San Diego. One of the highlights during the Reunion is the "Day at MCRD" where a special section for the Recruit Graduation and Parade Ceremony has been designated for the 1/1 group.

The Commanding General of Marine Corps Recruit Depot (MCRD), Brigadier General Ryan P. Heritage, has been invited to help welcome the 1/1 Vietnam Veterans, their families and invited guests, and to speak about the history and significance of MCRD as a military depot.

Gunnery Sergeant John L. Canley, the 1st Battalion, 1st Marines Congressional Medal of Honor Recipient, will be acknowledged and recognized for his heroic actions in Hue City during the Vietnam War.

Immediately after the ceremony we will be transported to the Bayview Café for a luncheon. After the luncheon there will be plenty of FREE TIME to wander and explore the MCRD Museum and other sites. The day will end with a spectacular sunset view from Mount Soledad National Veterans Memorial.



**Gunnery Sergeant John L. Canley displays his Medal of Honor**

We are getting a positive response and are beginning to receive registrations for the Reunion. As Board Chairman, along with the Reunion Committee Board of Directors, we invite you to register ASAP, and also ask that you contact other 1/1 Marines and encourage them to register and attend the Reunion. Please visit the *1stbn1stmarinesvietnamreunion. com* website for registration form and all details regarding the 2019 Reunion.

This Reunion promises to be a historical remembrance for many reasons. However, I continue to be reminded that this may be the last time that some of us may go back to our beginnings as young Marine recruits. That in itself makes attendance worthwhile!

Finally, an update will be posted the first week of every month on the website until reunion time. Meanwhile, if you have any questions or thoughts, please let us know via the website.

*Samuel Ortiz Verdeja,*
*Delta Company, '69/'70*

# Louisville events update

### Come and enjoy an evening with Joe Galloway…

at the 1st Marine Division Association 72nd Annual Reunion, Wednesday August 7th, 2019 from 1900 hours until ??? in Louisville, Kentucky, at the Crowne Plaza Louisville Airport Hotel.



**Joe Galloway**

American newspaper correspondent and columnist Joe Galloway will be talking to all veterans attending and will have his latest book available to be purchase and will be signed by him.

Since 2013 he has worked as a special consultant for the Vietnam War 50th anniversary commemoration project run out of the Office of the Secretary of Defense. He has also served as consultant to Ken Burns' production of a documentary history of the Vietnam War broadcast in the fall of 2017 by PBS. He is also the former Military Affairs consultant for the Knight-Ridder chain of newspapers and was a columnist with McClatchy Newspapers.

### Let's Go Bowling!

From: Steve "Doc" Lakernick

Thursday, August 8
6:30PM - 11:00PM
Louisville, Kentucky

Join us for Association Bowling Fun Night. We'll have a private section of the bowling alley. We'll dine on chili, hot dogs, chips, soda, and beer. Bowling shoes included.

Price $50. Please pay to Association HQ in advance by July 8.



# Attention On-Deck: All Marines, Veterans, community groups & supporters

On March 29, 2019 the first event known of its kind east of the Rockies was held in the U.S. Midwest region. It was a program to remember in a "Post Everlasting" for U.S. Marines and Navy Corpsmen who had assaulted the beachhead, along with the Japanese Imperial Army members who were defenders of IwoTo Island (aka Iwo Jima). Each combat warrior was protecting his country's cause at the time.

The solemn event was held at the FDR Post 923 of the American Legion in Chicago, with its members, their Auxiliary, and the SONs of the 2nd District and Marines in attendance. American Legion 2nd District Commander Clement Rodriguez led the group in the reflection with the playing of the national anthems of both countries, followed by the torch lighting of remembrance and playing of Taps.

Towards the end of the program, a request was made to also recognize and remember all Vietnam veterans for their service, this date being National Vietnam War Veterans Day. Commander Rodriguez (aka Sarg), who served both in the U.S. Marine Corps and U.S. Army Reserves, is a Vietnam veteran with dual membership in both the Marine Corps League and the American Legion. Light refreshments sponsored by the American Legion were served at the event's conclusion.

There was a 72nd Reunion of Honor held last March 2017 during the annual ceremony on Iwo Jima. It was co-hosted by the Iwo Jima Association of America (IJAA) and the Iwo-To Association of Japan (ITAJ). Representing the U.S. Marines was U.S. Marine Lt. Gen. David Berger, then Commander MARFORPAC, prior to relinquishing his command last year.

Just recently it was announced that Lt. Gen. Berger had been nominated by President Trump to be the next and 38th Commandant of the Marine Corps, along with acquiring his fourth star and promotion to General when confirmation by the US Senate is complete.

The "Once & Always" continue to march the veterans' agenda forward for those who proudly served.

*S/F Chicago MARINES*
*George Mulvaney, 773-704-2150*



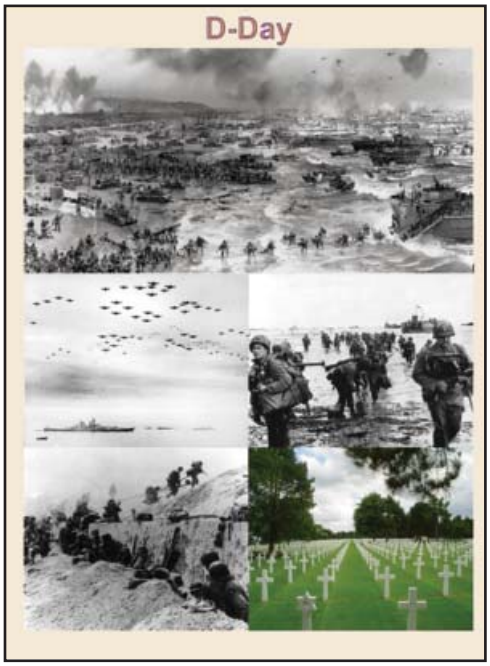
**Gen. David Berger (foreground) and Marine Corps Lt. Gen. Norman Smith (ret) place a wreath before the war memorial for all battle-hardened warriors who had boots on the ground in the Battle for Iwo Jima (photo by L/Cpl. Brooke Deiters, USMC, https://www.marines.mil/Photos/igphoto/2001724860/**

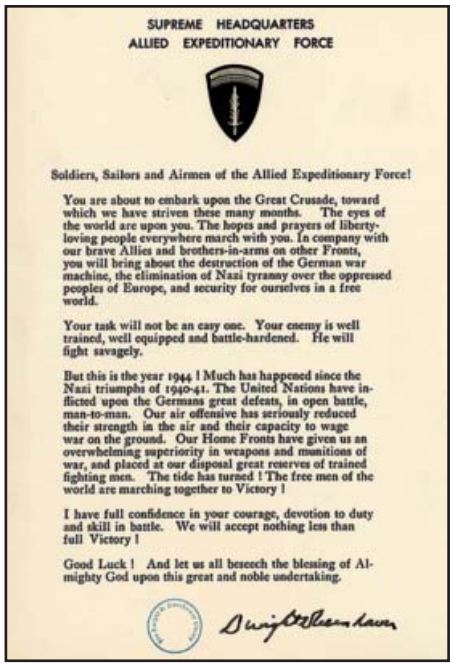


**Marines offer salute in honor of Iwo Jima veterans**

# D-Day 1944: Let us never forget

Recently a grateful nation celebrated the 75th anniversary of D-Day, June 6, 1944. The primary landing forces were American, British, and Canadian troops. While that momentous event was occurring, the 1st Marine Division was between battles:



SUPREME HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

Soldiers, Sailors and Airmen of the Allied Expeditionary Force!

You are about to embark upon the Great Crusade, toward which we have striven these many months. The eyes of the world are upon you. The hopes and prayers of liberty-loving people everywhere march with you. In company with our brave Allies and brothers-in-arms on other Fronts, you will bring about the destruction of the German war machine, the elimination of Nazi tyranny over the oppressed peoples of Europe, and security for ourselves in a free world.

Your task will not be an easy one. Your enemy is well trained, well equipped and battle-hardened. He will fight savagely.

But this is the year 1944 ! Much has happened since the Nazi triumphs of 1940-41. The United Nations have inflicted upon the Germans great defeats, in open battle, man-to-man. Our air offensive has seriously reduced their strength in the air and their capacity to wage war on the ground. Our Home Fronts have given us an overwhelming superiority in weapons and munitions of war, and placed at our disposal great reserves of trained fighting men. The tide has turned ! The free men of the world are marching together to Victory !

I have full confidence in your courage, devotion to duty and skill in battle. We will accept nothing less than full Victory !

Good Luck ! And let us all beseech the blessing of Almighty God upon this great and noble undertaking.

"Following the Guadalcanal Campaign, the division's Marines were sent to Melbourne, Australia for rest and refit. It was during this time that the division took the traditional Australian folk song "Waltzing Matilda" as its battle hymn. To this day, 1st Division Marines still ship out to this song being played.

"The division would next see action during Operation Cartwheel, which was the code name for the campaigns in Eastern New Guinea and New Britain. They came ashore at the Battle of Cape Gloucester on 26 December 1943 and fought on New Britain until March 1944 at such places as Suicide Creek and Ajar Ridge. During the course of the battle the division had 310 killed and 1,083 wounded. Following the battle they were sent to Pavuvu in the Russell Islands for rest and refitting. *(https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1st_Marine_Division)*

The next battle for the 1st Marine Division would be the bloodiest yet at the Battle of Peleliu. They landed on 15 September 1944, three months after D-Day, along the French coast. By that time they were aware of the successes their Army counterparts had gained in Europe, at a tragic cost in manpower and materiel. Both battles were significant steps toward total victory. Seventy-five years later we celebrate them both.

Let us never forget D-Day—or Peleliu.

## Looking for Chosin Reservoir veterans

**I'm one of your members and proud of it! I'm also the National President of the Chosin Few. We will be holding our annual reunion in San Diego 4-8 December. On Thursday, 5 December, we're coming to Camp Pendleton for the day. Do you know of any Chosin Few members in the area? We would love to have them join us.**

**ALL of our members should be members of the IstMarDivAssn, and I'm sure most are! My good friend Lee Rux is our VP.**

**Sincerely and ... Semper Fidelis,**

**(Col) Warren Wiedhahn, USMC (Ret), National President**
**The Chosin Few, Annandale, VA, JWiedhahn@aol.com**


SEMPER FI FUND

The Semper Fi Fund is excited to announce the:

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The Semper Fi Fund expanded our mission to care for veterans from all US military service branches who are catastrophically wounded, ill, or injured from combat operations in Vietnam.

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- Amputation (loss of any limb or extremities)
- PTSD (combat related) – 70% or greater VA rating
- Paralyzed (paraplegia, quadriplegia, hemiplegia)
- Severe Traumatic Brain Injury (cannot function independently)
- Severe illness linked to Agent Orange exposure (recognized by the VA)

***Documents required***
- Copy of DD214
- Photo ID (front/back)
- LCpl Parsons Welcome Home Fund Application
- VA rating decision letter and/or signed note from medical provider stating diagnosis

***Assistance may be provided in the following areas***
- Housing grant (adaptive housing, home modification/repair, rent, mortgage, utilities)
- Transportation grant (adaptive transportation, vehicle modification/repair)
- Medical Care grant (not covered by insurance, Medicare, or the VA)
- Funeral/Cremation Expense

*must have one or more of the conditions

For more information, please call 760-725-3680 or contact us at Vwestcoastcw@semperfifund.org

# VA News

## VA Appeals Management Office unveils new path to speed up appeals decisions

"Tired of waiting" is a phrase we often hear associated with appeals. But since the implementation of the Appeals Modernization Act, Veterans who disagree with VA's decisions on their compensation claims have had a new and quicker way to receive a second look. That benefit has now been extended to Veterans stuck in the legacy appeals process.

Dave McLenachan, director of VBA's Appeals Management Office, unveiled the Decision Review Process last week in a VBA Facebook Live, noting that Veterans with appeals in the old process can—as soon as they receive a Statement of the Case (SOC) or Supplementary Statement of the Case (SSOC)—elect to transfer their appeals into the AMA process. The opt-in notice will be included with SOCs and SSOCs, and must be returned to VA within 60 days.

The benefits of opting in are eye-popping: appeals in the legacy process average 3-7 years for a single decision; the current average for claims in the AMA is 36 days.

And lest you think the AMA "leads to quicker denials," consider that since RAMP started, AMO has processed more than 75,000 claims and awarded more than $378 million in retroactive benefits. That's a lot of granting.

**That "continually pursues review" leads into the next busted myth: AMA is not a one-and-done; if the Veteran disagrees with the decision VA makes, she can move her claim into another lane...**

In the video, Mr. McLenachan also busts a few myths. My favorite is the "effective date protection"—your "backpay" date—which actually improves effective date provisions as long as a Veteran continually pursues the review of her claim.

That "continually pursues review" leads into the next busted myth: AMA is not a one-and-done; if the Veteran disagrees with the decision VA makes, she can move her claim into another lane, and there is no limit to how many times she can use the lanes, or in which order. None of the options go away!

That means a Veteran could potentially receive three or more decisions (if they continue to disagree) in AMA before ever receiving one in the legacy appeals process!

Want to learn more? Have questions about which of the AMA's three lanes is right for you? Check out the video—and the Q&A at the end!

To access the video go to *https://www.blogs.va.gov/VAntage/60912/appeals-management-office-unveils-new-path-to-speed-up-appeals-decisions/*

# DPAA Budget

Attached is a copy of DPAA's budget for FY2020 with a comparison to their FY2019 budget. Director McKeague sent this for distribution to the FMDA for information. The briefing consists of two slides.

You will note that the FY2020 budget shows an overall decrease from the FY2019 budget. However, the FY2019 budget included a $30M congressional increase for operations which was not part of the President's budget submission. The FY2020 President's DPAA budget of $144,881,000 includes a $15.4M DoD increase for operations.

The second slide compares the FY2019 and FY2020 DPAA budget categories. DPAA is providing this for information purposes and is not asking us to take action at this time. The federal budget process is not finished yet and it is still possible that Congress could add additional funding to DPAA's FY2020 budget as they did last year in the DPAA FY2019 Budget.

*Bruce R. (Rocky) Harder, 540-659-0252, harderbr@aol.com*

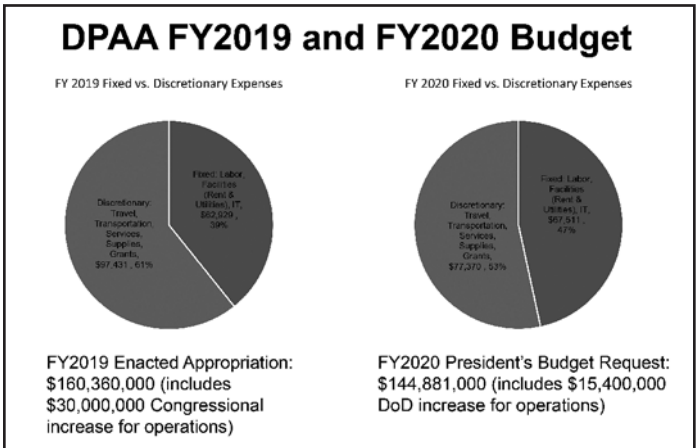
**DPAA FY2019 and FY2020 Budget**

| | 2019 Budget | 2020 Budget |
|---|---|---|
| Labor | 46,016 | 45,750 |
| Facilities & Utilities | 8,818 | 9,019 |
| IT and Communications | 8,095 | 12,742 |
| Services | 21,474 | 16,440 |
| Travel | 17,000 | 16,000 |
| Transportation | 14,000 | 15,000 |
| Supplies & Equipment | 35,457 | 24,930 |
| Grants & Contributions | 9,500 | 5,000 |
| Total ($K) | $ 160,360 | $ 144,881 |

Source: DPAA FY2020 President's Budget (March 2019)

https://comptroller.defense.gov/Portals/45/Documents/defbudget/fy2020/budget_justification/pdfs/02_Procurement/08_0300_DPAA_PB2020.pdf

**DPAA FY2019 and FY2020 Budget**




FY2019 Enacted Appropriation: $160,360,000 (includes $30,000,000 Congressional increase for operations)

FY2020 President's Budget Request: $144,881,000 (includes $15,400,000 DoD increase for operations)

** Discretionary funds are those in direct and indirect support of field and laboratory operations.*
*** Prior to the increases, the discretionary allocations were 52% and 48%, respectively.*

# Recon Challenge 2019: Team Lowlife Proves Bonds Not Broken by Time

By Lance Cpl. Drake Nickels, Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton

On October 26, 2010, U.S. Marine Corps Sgt. Jonathon Blank, a reconnaissance Marine, with 1st Force Recon, 1st Marine Division was gathering intelligence on a suspected Taliban compound during Operation Enduring Freedom. When they reached their location early in the morning, the compound appeared uninhabited and extremely quiet, generally raising suspicion.

After a few hours of observation, the platoon discovered enemy activity and three improvised explosive devices. Within hours, the platoon found themselves engaging with four Taliban militants on the road alongside the compound. One of the IED's detonated causing one of the Marines to receive a black eye and cut on his chin. Blank stepped on a fourth IED. The blast took both of his legs and he sustained multiple internal injuries and a compound fracture. From his injuries, Blank received an initial 24 units of blood and an additional 71 units in the weeks following. Blank was later medically retired as a Staff Sgt.

Nine years later, Blank is back on Camp Pendleton with his brothers that he served with on his deployment. Blank is a participant of the Annual Recon Challenge; a 30-mile obstacle course held to honor the fallen and injured Marines of the Force Reconnaissance community. He is one of the Marines in team 'LOWLIFE,' the same call sign Blank and his team held almost a decade ago.

"It's hard when you get separated from your command initially," said Blank, "but over the years my guys have always been a phone call away."

Blank has been a spectator for every Recon Challenge, but this is the first year he will participate. Blank will be assisted by fellow Marines while wearing a custom fit pack for over 30 miles. Due to his injuries, Blank will not be able to participate in some of the obstacles but the team plans to tackle as many as possible, together. For Blank, already one of few that have graduated two of the toughest Marine Corps schools (Scout Sniper Basic Course and the Basic Reconnaissance Course), it is no surprise he is up for the challenge.

"It's about the brotherhood and not leaving anyone behind," said Master Gunnery Sgt. Bryan Maass, former 'LOWLIFE' platoon sergeant. "You can do anything you put your mind to while working as a team."

Team 'LOWLIFE' is again ready to test its courage and commitment which, along-side Blank with his go-getter mentality, continues to encourage Marines.

"It feels great not to be a bystander anymore," added Blank. "It's been a while since we had this many of the guys together; it is a great feeling."

The platoon will also be running in the memory of a fallen brother, Gunnery Sergeant Johnathon Gifford. Gunnery Sgt. Gifford was killed in action on July 29, 2012, while serving with 2nd Marine Special Operations Battalion.

Blank and team 'LOWLIFE' are prime examples of what it means to be a 'Recon Ranger' and United States Marine. The team's participation during this year's challenge clearly shows that while years have passed, their bond is unwavering, baring the mark of true brotherhood.



**U.S. Marines with 3rd platoon, commonly known as "LOWLIFE," Force Reconnaissance Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion, 1st Marine Division (Forward), pose for a photo in Helmand province, Afghanistan, in June of 2010. Nine years later, team "LOWLIFE" is participating in the annual Recon Challenge, on Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, May 16, 2019. The Recon Challenge is a 30-mile obstacle course held to honor fallen Reconnaissance Marines. The team will be carrying Jonathon Blank, who was medically retired after both of his legs were severed after stepping on an improvised explosive device, during a dismounted patrol in Helmand province, Afghanistan, on Oct. 26, 2010. (Courtesy photo by Jonathon Blank.)**

# Quests & Queries

## Attention: C/1/5 Korea veterans

If you served with C/1/5 during the Korean War, from August 1952 through August 1953, I would like to talk with you. My father served during that time. His name was Bernard D. Cressy (PFC "Bernie"). He was a draftee.

I am writing a book about my father's and his brother's service. His brother served on Guadalcanal. The book title is "Brothers of the 1st - Their Story of WWII and the Korean War."

*COL Nick Cressy, cncressy@msn.com*

## Anyone recognize these two Marines?

PVT Paul Wojahn, sitting on the right in the nearby photo, is asking for our assistance. Does anyone recognize the two corporals sitting at the bar next to Paul?



**Paul Wojahn (R) and two unidentified Marines. Who are they?**

## John Macray Baker

My name is Dan Michener. I am a police officer in St Paul, MN. I am researching my great uncle, John Macray Baker. He survived the USS Arizona attack (Marines). He served in the Pacific Theater at Guadalcanal Canal, Peleliu, New Britain, and New Caledonia. He then served in Korea.

When he retired from the Marines in 1957 as a Captain, he had a Silver Star, Bronze Star, and five purple hearts. Three of his Purple Hearts were in WWII, with his Bronze Star. Purple Heart #4 was on 10/10/1951 at Heart Break Ridge.

On 10/28/1951, he was in Korea with the 1st Battalion/5th Marines as a 1st Lt. According to newspaper articles, family history, and records I've acquired, he led one of the first helicopter operations/attacks in history. They left on this day via helicopter to a spot about 10 miles south/east of Wontong-Ni. (I have the military grid coordinates.)

They attacked a guerrilla stronghold on 10/29/1951, the day after their departure from base. My great uncle threw himself in front of a grenade to protect his team. This is where he was awarded the Silver Star and his fifth Purple Heart.

This operation was between two documented Korean War helicopter missions: Hoseburner and Hoseburner 2. I have the military grid coordinates and a reference to Hill 739, which I can't find in the Korean War Project database.

I have his service records and records kept by the Korean War Project, along with newspaper clippings. According to some of the records I've seen, there were two other Marines injured in the attack.

1. Do you know how I can get actual unit lists that would tell me the names of the Marines he served with?

2. Do you know how I can get a list of people who were awarded Purple Hearts in Korea? Maybe sorted by date?

3. Does anyone have memories of or served with my great uncle?

4. Does anyone have family who was there for this operation, or was there themselves?

My great uncle killed himself in 1974. He suffered from extreme PTSD at a time when it wasn't recognized, let alone treated. My research is more than family history. I want to put something out there about his life and the tragedy of his death.

If I can contribute something to the discussion about how our warfighters are treated and what they see in combat, then my mission will be a success.

Thank you for your time.

*Dan Michener, 1266 Taylor Avenue West, St Paul, MN 55104, 612-217-3862, danmichenerwho@hotmail.com*


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Winner need not be present at drawing. The winner will need to pass a background check before receiving the rifle. Transfer will be handled by a FFL (Federal Firearms Licensee), shipping from the manufacturer in Texas, to another FFL near the winner's residence for pickup.

**1st MARINE DIVISION ASSOCIATION**
**Phone (760)763-3268**

# DPAA Update

Some veterans may not be aware of the Department of POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA)—or that it even exists. In past issues we have printed occasional news about the recovery and identification of American warfighters. Here is a little insight into the agency's mission:

The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) conducts periodic updates and annual government briefings for families of American service members who are missing in action (MIA). These events are designed to keep family members informed of the U.S. government's worldwide mission to account for those still missing and to discuss in detail the latest information available about their specific cases.

At the annual and monthly update meetings, speakers include senior officials, experts, and scientists who work in the wide range of tasks associated with the POW/MIA mission. During the meetings, there are formal presentations, question and answer sessions, and one-on-one discussions between government officials and family members. DoD has conducted these update programs since 1995, reaching more than 17,000 family members face-to-face.

A recently concluded Joint U.S.-Vietnam Field Activity (JFA) involved 139 U.S. Department of Defense personnel, along with members of DPAA's Vietnam counterpart organization, the Vietnamese Office for Seeking Missing Persons (VNOSMP). The VNOSMP was established in the aftermath of the 1973 Paris Peace Accords to coordinate with the U.S. in the accounting mission. From its initial, tentative beginnings, the U.S. - Vietnam relationship to account for our missing personnel has matured into a full-fledged partnership, commemorated last December by a dinner in Hanoi attended by senior Vietnamese and U.S. officials.

The JFA members divided into teams and dispersed to nine land sites and one underwater site. DPAA conducts four JFAs each year in Vietnam. During Fiscal Year 2019, the JFAs will involve 11 investigation teams and 23 recovery teams seeking to find information and recover material related to the 1,246 U.S. personnel who remain missing in Vietnam from the Vietnam War.

This work in Vietnam is part of DPAA's effort to account for a total of 1,589 U.S. personnel who remain missing throughout Indochina from the Vietnam War and part of the agency's overall mission to provide the fullest possible accounting for more than 82,000 U.S. personnel who remain missing from past conflicts dating back to World War II.

*(Source: https://www.dpaa.mil/)*

**DPAA launches "FamWeb"**

DPAA is pleased to launch the "FamWeb"- an online space for sharing updates, content and new information with families of personnel who are unaccounted-for and recently identified from past conflicts.




**DPAA group at familiarization gathering (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Mikaley P. Kline)**



**Personnel from the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA), conduct an honorable carry for the possible remains of unidentified U.S. service members at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, April 2, 2019. The possible remains were recently recovered from sites in Vietnam as a result of the largest to ever be conducted in the 30-year history of such operations involving the two countries. (U.S. Navy Photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Amara Timberlake)**




**"FamWeb" screen (DPAA Public Affairs)**

# Did you know there is a…


A panoramic view of the MCRD San Diego Museum

## Marine Corps Recruit Depot Museum San Diego, Where The Past Touches The Future?

Dedicated to all who have and will commit themselves to the most honorable service. The MCRD Museum opened its doors in 1987 due to the hard work of Marine veterans, their families, and friends of the Marine Corps. Since its opening, the Museum has served the Recruit Depot/Western Recruiting Region through its mission to train recruits and provide for the continuing education of Marines, support the recruiting effort, and serve as a bridge to the civilian community.

**The Museum is open to the public Monday - Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and admission is always free. The museum is closed on all federal holidays. Stop by today to learn the history of the United State Marine Corps.**

### Platoon Photos

We have photos and yearbooks for MCRD San Diego graduates only. You must know your boot camp platoon number and the year you graduated when placing your order.

We have platoon photos dating back to 1937 (with limited quantities from 1975-1986).

If your platoon photo isn't listed, it's because we have a limited inventory and do not have it.

We do not have individual dress blue photos.

All orders take between 3-5 weeks to process and ship. You will not be able to see your photo before it is ordered.

### Graduation Books

We have yearbooks for MCRD San Diego graduates only, from 1986 on. You must know your boot camp platoon number and the year you graduated when placing your order.

If your platoon and/or year aren't listed, it's because we have a limited inventory and do not have it. All orders take between 3-5 weeks to process and ship.

*Telephone: (619)524-4426*
*MCRD Museum website*

## Reunion Calendar – 2019

Mail your info to OBN Reunion Editor, 2473 New Haven Circle, Sun City Center, FL 33573-7141 or email it to sharp_arthur_g@sbcglobal.net. Include Unit, Date(s), Place, and Contact's name, address, phone #, email address. Entries are posted "first come, first served." The OBN is not responsible for the accuracy of the information published. Submissions may be edited for space considerations..

NOTE: Some people are submitting reunion notices barely a few days or weeks before the actual gatherings. Please allow at least four months—six or more is better—if you want your reunion notices printed in more than one issue and in enough time to give potential attendees adequate notice to make plans to be there.

**JULY**

**USS Hornet** CVS-12 & Apollo 50. All ship's officers, air groups, crew, Marines and families welcomed. July 18-22, Oakland, CA, Oakland Marriott City Central Hotel. Sandy Burket, PO Box 108, Roaring Spring, PA 16673, 814-224-5063, cell (814) 312-4976, hornetcva@aol.com; https://usshornetassn.com/

**AUGUST**

**1st Marine Division Assn.**, Aug. 4-11, Louisville, KY, Crowne Plaza Louisville Airport Hotel. Details to be announced.

26th Marines Assn., Aug. 23-25, New Orleans, LA (26'ers of all times, Iwo to current Regiment, MEU, and supporting units are welcome). Sonny, 512-825-4730, sonnyusmc@gmail.com, or www.26thMarines.com

**SEPTEMBER**

**Marine Corps Recruiting Service**, Sept. 11-14, Bluffton, SC. (For any officer or enlisted Marine who served in a Recruiting Command). http://marinecorpsrecruitingservicereunion.com/. Guest speaker for our banquet is retired General, former Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps Walter Boomer. This will be our 3rd annual reunion. We would love to see many West Coast Marines join us.

U.S. Armed Forces Nuclear Energy Assn., Sept. 15-20, Deadwood, SD, First Gold Resort & TraveLodge. Jerry Schloredt, 307-274-1448 or Dolly Schloredt, 307-283-2384

1st Bn., 3rd Regt., Sept. 17-22, Branson, MO. (All eras welcome). Don Bumgarner, 562-897-2437, dbumc13usmc@verizon.net

**OCTOBER**

**Outpost International, Society of the 3rd Infantry Division**, 16-19 Oct., Korean War Historical Seminar, Holiday Inn, Springfield, VA. Monika or Tim Stoy, timmoni15@yahoo.com

**USS Nicholas** (DD-449/DDE-449 (1942-1970)/USS Nicholas FFG-47 (different ship 1984-2014), Oct. 23-26, Charleston SC. Bill Linn, PO Box 993, Toledo, WA 98591, (928) 246-7927 or (928) 446-1580, Bill.Margie@yahoo.com

**1st Bn., 1st Regt., Delta Company** (69/'70), Oct. 23-26, San Diego, CA, Crowne Plaza Hotel, Mission Valley. info@1stbn1stmarinesvietnam-reunion.com

**DECEMBER**

**The Chosin Few National Reunion**, Dec. 4-8, Marriott Mission Valley San Diego, CA. For details and registration information, contact Chosin Few Headquarters, 3 Black Skimmer Ct., Beaufort, SC 29907. Ph: 843-379-1011; Email: TheChosinFewInc@aol.com.


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**1st Marine Division Association**

# First Marine Division Association Reunion
# August 5-11, 2019
# Crowne Plaza Louisville Airport Hotel

## Schedule of Events

**Tuesday, August 6**

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| 1300 – 1800 | **Reunion Registration Open** |

**Wednesday, August 7**

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| 0730 – 0830 | **Reunion Registration Open** |
| 0900 – 1400 | Ft Knox Tour (description follows) |
| 1300 – 1800 | **Reunion Registration Open** |
| 1800 – 2300 | Derby Dinner Playhouse |

**Thursday, August 8**

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| 0730 – 0900 | **Reunion Registration Open** |
| 0730 - 1200 | National Committee Meetings Chapter Delegates, Reunion Destination, Awards, Scholarship Selection, Warrior Liaison, Insurance, Finance, Fundraising, Membership |
| 1245 - 1700 | Louisville Slugger & Derby Museum Tour (description follows) |
| 1800 - 2300 | Bowling Challenge Chili & Beer night |

**Friday, August 9**

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| 0830 - 1415 | Bourbon Tour (description follows) |
| 1430 - 1530 | Executive Committee Meeting |
| 1600 – 1800 | Board of Directors Meeting |
| 1830 – 1900 | Banquet Table Reservation Sheets will be collected at Reunion Registration Desk |

**Saturday, August 10**

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| 0800 – 0900 | Memorial Service |
| 0900 – 1100 | General Membership Meeting |
| 1000 – 1200 | Ladies Brunch |
| 1500 – 1545 | Protestant Service |
| 1600 – 1700 | Catholic Service |
| 1800 | Cocktails |
| 1900 – 2200 | Dinner Banquet |

** FMDA Scholarship Fund, Inc meeting TBD

## Tour Descriptions

**Ft Knox Tour, August 7**

Enjoy a day at historic Ft. Knox. We'll visit the Patton Museum and the Marine Detachment School and enjoy lunch (hopefully at the Mess Hall!). Final itinerary will be determined closer to the reunion.

**0900 board bus, 1400 back at hotel**
**$45/Person includes transportation and lunch**

**Derby Dinner Playhouse**
**August 7**

An entertainment tradition for thirty years, Derby Dinner Playhouse offers live-stage productions and a 4 entrée dinner buffet with all the fixin's and dessert! Derby Dinner's lavish buffet features Classic American Cuisine. Take your time as the "Footnotes", Derby Dinner's own talented vocal ensemble, entertain you just prior to the stage production. After dinner, you will be treated to live theater in the round. Shows vary based on season.

**1800 board bus, 2300 back at hotel**
**$69/Person includes transportation and admissions.**

**Kentucky Derby Museum & Louisville Slugger Museum, August 8**

Thundering Thoroughbred hooves, rolling hills of bluegrass, visit Churchill Downs, home of the Kentucky Derby. Enjoy a 360-degree multi-media show that surrounds you with the images and sounds unique to Derby Day, "the most exciting two minutes in sports." Take a tour of historic Churchill Downs (weather permitting). Weigh in on a jockey scale and test your betting skills with their computer. Then make a final stop in the Finish Line Gift Shop for Derby memorabilia and souvenirs. Then we'll head to the Louisville Slugger Museum, another famous landmark in Lousiville! After watching a short film, walk through the full-size dugout and onto the museum's playing field. See rare baseball equipment and memorabilia. Complete the tour with a walk through the Louisville Slugger manufacturing facility and see bats being turned for today's baseball stars and tomorrow's major leagues. Your tour includes a miniature bat.

**1245 board bus, 1700 back at hotel**
**$56/Person includes transportation and admissions.**

**BOURBON TRAIL TOUR, AUGUST 9**

Bourbon is more than a drink in Kentucky. It's part of the culture, tradition and heritage of the community. As America's only native spirit, it follows the timeline of American history and the founding of Louisville. In fact, the strategic location on the river played a vital role in the development of bourbon whiskey itself. Our visit will be to the Star Hill Farm and home of Makers Mark Bourbon. Doing things the same way since 1953, they still hand turn the barrels and hand dip each bottle in their signature red wax. Time will be allowed in their gift shop, where specialty bottles can be purchased. Then we'll enjoy lunch at their on site restaurant Star Hill Provisions – the iconic Kentucky Hot Brown sandwich! Gluten free available upon request. *Please note this tour requires a significant amount of walking. Comfortable shoes are highly recommended.*

**0830 board bus, 1415 back at hotel**

**$70/Person includes transportation, lunch, and admission**

*Please plan to be at the bus boarding area (in front of the hotel) at least five minutes prior to the scheduled time.*
*All tours require a minimum of 30 people.*
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| **TOURS (All tour prices include transportation.)** | | | $ |
| WEDNESDAY 8/7: Ft. Knox Tour | $45 | | $ |
| WEDNESDAY 8/7: Derby Dinner Playhouse | $69 | | |
| THURSDAY 8/8: Louisville Slugger & Kentucky Derby Museum | $56 | | $ |
| FRIDAY, 8/9: Bourbon Trail Tour | $70 | | |
| **MEALS**<br>SATURDAY, 8/10: Ladies Brunch – Chicken & Tuna Salad Plate | $26 | | $ |
| SATURDAY, 8/10: Banquet Dinner (please select entrée below) | | | |
| Prime Rib | $65 | | $ |
| Boneless Chicken Breast | $65 | | $ |
| Salmon | $65 | | $ |
| REUNION T SHIRT – Indicate size & Conflict: *(Shirts available at reunion for $33)*<br>□ Small □ Medium □ Large □ XL □ 2XL<br>❒WWII ❒CHINA ❒KOREA ❒VIETNAM ❒KUWAIT ❒COLD WAR ❒IRAQ ❒AFGHANISTAN | $28 | | $ |
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# Chapter Scuttlebutt

News from the Chapters of the 1st Marine Division Association

## CENTRAL FLORIDA

### Local Marine JROTC Cadets Recognized by the Central Florida Chapter

We are proud to be able to recognize deserving Marine JROTC cadets at the three Orange County high schools that have Marine Junior ROTC units. This spring, at the award ceremonies of the three units, a plaque was presented by a member of the chapter recognizing the accomplishments of these young people.

On 26 April, Barron Mills attended the award ceremony at Edgewater High School, where he presented Cadet Ceara Bradish the "Outstanding Service Award." Jim Weinberg attended the awards ceremony for University High School's Marine JROTC unit on 27 April, at the Orange County Wetlands Park in Christmas, FL. He presented the award for the "Outstanding Cadet" to Cadet Adriel Caribe. Cadet Gabriel Warren was presented the award for "Outstanding NCO" by Mike Galyean at the award ceremony at Apopka High School.

**RIGHT: Cadet Ceara Bradish receives the "Outstanding Service Award" from Barron Mills of the Central Florida chapter at Edgewater High School**





**LEFT: Mike Galyean of the Central Florida chapter presents the "Outstanding NCO" award to Cadet Gabriel Warren at Apopka High School**

All three presenters were extremely impressed with the groups of dedicated young men and women and the gung-ho attitude they displayed. Kudos go out to the dedicated Marine staff for the leadership they provide.

## DALLAS

On Friday, 12 April 2019, we presented the 10th Annual Joe Walker Memorial Award to Cadet Major Alyssa Lopez. She was recognized as the programs' Top Cadet. Cadet Major Alyssa Lopez is a member of the MCJROTC at W. T. White High School in Dallas, Texas.

Jim Fairbairn presented the award to Cadet Major Lopez during their annual awards ceremony. Also in attendance were members of the Joe Walker family: widow Nora, daughter Mary, and son Joe Walker, Jr.

*Walter C. Schmick, Jr., 13119 Old Denton Rd., Fort Worth, TX 76177, Office: 817-337-7004, Cell: 817-932-0821, walter.schmick@kiewit.com*

## DESERT CITIES/MITCHELL PAIGE (MOH)

Members attended the graduation ceremony of the Advanced Infantry Training Battalion, Infantry Unit Leaders Training Company, Class 2-19 on 19 March 2019.



**Members of Desert City/Mitchell Paige (MOH) chapter with graduate of Infantry Unit Leader Course 2-19**

## OREGON/COLUMBIA RIVER

April 27th was selected as the date for our annual spring luncheon. We met at 1200 for the "hello" time at Jeff and Sheryl's Restaurant (at McNary Golf Course in Keizer) and were ordering lunch by 1245. The theme celebrated the 100th anniversary of the Women Marines.

Three Women Marines were honored for the time they gave to their country: Golda Fabian (WWII), Hattie Kelly (WWII), and Gretta Underwood (Korea).



**Golda (Hammell) Fabian at Oregon-Columbia River chapter luncheon**

We were fortunate to have uniforms of some Women Marines. Ruth Falconbary, Golda (Hammell) Fabian, Rosa Marcelino, Nanci Visser, and Gretta (Wetherbee) Underwood, from the local VFW Uniform Museum. They were transported and displayed by Marine Jerry Brixius (one of the curators).



**Gretta (Wetherbee) Underwood at Oregon-Columbia River chapter luncheon**



**Dining in style at Oregon-Columbia River gathering**




**The traditional cake to be cut with an officer's sword**

President Gene Mosbrucker convened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag, which was followed by the Invocation by Chaplain Al Hein. The "Empty Chair" (written by deceased Marine Boyce Clark) was recited by Chaplain Hein as he stood by the Missing Man table.

The cake cutting ceremony proceeded with the most "mature" Marine presented with the first piece of cake, who then presented a second and third piece of cake to two Young Marines, a young lady and a young man. The cake was cut with an officer's sword by Steve Easterday.

Gary Brannan had prepared an historical slide show with pictures of Women Marines and put it on the screen to view and enjoy throughout the luncheon. After the introductions of the old and new members and guests, lunch was served and the fundraiser (always interesting) followed.

The Benediction and singing of the Marine's Hymn closed the program.

*Bob "Doc" Wickman, Korea '53-'54*

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

### Chapter Hosts Toys for Tots Christmas Party at Camp Pendleton

Members welcomed Marines of the 5th Regiment to a lunch of turkey, ham, hot dogs, and all the trimmings on December 1, 2018. Santa Claus did not show up this year. But toys were collected for the Marine Corps' Toys for Tots campaign.

**Activities at the Southern California Christmas Party**



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***LTCOL NATE L. ADAMS II** E-2-1 W-3-1 WWII KO VN LEXINGTON, VA 11/20/2013

**CPL HOWARD F. ADRIANCE** 1SIG WWII CH CARY, NC

***SGT CLAY A. ALBRIGHT** 1PION 17MAR WWII TUSCALOOSA, AL 6/30/2013

***PFC THOMAS P. ALICANDRO** F-2-5 WWII CANASTOTA, NY 1/16/2012

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**LT WILLIAM B. ANDERSON** 7MAR CH GLENMOORE, PA 2/23/2018

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**JAMES P. ANSBRO** CG LANSPT WWII LEVITTOWN, PA

**SSGT MERLE R. ARMSTRONG** MAG14 1MAW WWII KO LA MESA, CA 5/28/2011

**GYSGT GLENN ARTIS** USMC (Ret) H&S-1-27 L-3-1 WWII VN KOKOMO, IN 4/28/2011

**SGT CHARLES L. ATKINS** HQ-4-11 KO FREDERICKSBURG, VA 1/27/2014

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**PFC ROBERT R. BARRETT** C-1-7 KO PEORIA, AZ 1/1/2011

**MRS NANCY BARRY** ASSOCIATE CARLISLE, PA 5/3/2013

***PFC ROBERT BARRY** B-1-7 WWII CH POCATELLO, ID 8/6/2018

***WILLIAM H. BARRY JR** WPNS-7MAR WWII WEST HARTFORD, CT 2/24/2014

***CPL GEORGE D. BARTRAM** R-2-1 WWII CH BALTIMORE, MD 8/8/2009

**MSGT RICHARD H. BARUFALDI** COMM-HQ KO ENGLEWOOD, FL

**GYSGT ANDY B. BASICH** USMC (Ret) H-2-1-MP WWII KO NORTH OLMSTED, OH 6/15/2011

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***CPL D. A. BEFFA** A-1-1 SAINT LOUIS, MO 3/8/1997

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***CPL LAWRENCE N. BENNETT** C-1-5 WWII CH LAS VEGAS, NV 7/5/2008

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**SGT RUDOLPH J. BERGER** L-3-5 F-2-1 WWII CH WESTBY, WI 8/3/2013

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**LT BRUCE E. BIEL** USMC E-2-7 WWII KO STERLING, VA 8/10/2018

**CPL HERMAN E. BLANCHARD** A-1-1 WWII INDIANAPOLIS, IN 9/10/2014

**SGT VICTOR J. BLASIOL** B-2ENGR WWII HOUSTON, TX 4/11/2011

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**SGT ROBERT L. BOUBEL** B-1MT KO SAN ANTONIO, TX 10/1/2014

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**CPL JIM P. BREDICAN** H&S-1-5 CW HENDERSON, NV 6/3/2011

**PFC IRIS F. BROCATO** 1ENGR WWII BALTIMORE, MD 4/23/2012

***CPL GEORGE L. BRODEUR** H-3-7 KO VICTORVILLE, CA 1/19/2019

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**CAPT FRED A. BROWN** I-3-7 VN CHULA VISTA, CA 5/8/2011

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**PFC SEBASTIAN JOSEPH BRUSCA** USMC 12AAA WWII WILLIAMSBURG, VA 5/2/2015

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**SGT MICHAEL A. CARONE** 1ST ENBN 1ST MAR DIV KO VERMILION, OH 8/20/2010

***SGT MICHAEL J. CARONE** A-1-5 KO VILLAGE OF LAKEWOOD, IL 3/8/2019

**CPL ROBERT JOSEPH CASTILLE** A-1ENGR KO BREAUX BRIDGE, LA 3/23/2012

***SGT JOHN J. CEBULA JR** D-2-7 KO OLATHE, KS 10/21/2011

***SGT EARL E. CHADWELL** H-2-1 WWII CH KO WICHITA, KS 8/17/2014

***SSGT WILLIAM M. CHANEY** B-1-147 WWII GREENWOOD, IN 5/27/2002

**SGT CLAUDE 'WYNN CHAPPEL**L 1-Mar MCMINNVILLE, OR

***SF1C RONALD L. CHRISTENSEN** 17MAR WWII MAPLEWOOD, MN 4/26/2014

***SGT RALPH O. CHRISTIE** C-1MT KO SPARKS, NV 3/21/2019

**CPL EUGENE M. CLARK** HQ-2-7 WWII CH STOCKPORT, IA 4/17/2014

**CPL JOHN M. COLE** HQ-2-4 HQ-21MAR WWII CH NEW HOPE, PA 11/14/2017

**CPL JOSEPH S. COLLETTO** E-2-7 WWII CH PETALUMA, CA 3/20/2011

**SGT ROBERT L. COMPTON** 7MAR KO LITTLETON, CO 4/6/2014

**MRS LEONA CONNERS** OBN ONLY LANCASTER, OH

**CPL THOMAS E. CONRADY** D-1-2 E-2-5 WWII SALISBURY, NC 7/6/2005

**MRS CAROL COOPER** OBN FALLS CHURCH, VA 12/19/2014

**PFC THOMAS J. CORRIGAN** HQ-HQ H&S-5MAR CH CLARKS SUMMIT, PA 2/11/2011

**MSGT MAX E. CRIBELAR** USMC (Ret) 1ANGLICO H&S-1-5 KO JACKSONVILLE, NC 11/10/2017

***CPL BARRY D. CRITES** H&S-1-7 VN WHITING, NJ 8/31/2009

**CPL LARRY C. CROCKER** G-2-7 VN BLYTHEVILLE, AR 10/31/2011

**CPL WILLIAM P. CROSS** D-2-5 KO HENDERSONVILLE, NC 11/24/2017

**PFC GEORGE S. CROTTS JR** D-2-7 KO NORTH BEND, WA 10/26/2013

**TSGT BENNIE C. CRUZ JR** 1EN BN-1ST MAR DIV KO CW TUCSON, AZ 7/10/2011

**GYSGT GARY E. CUMMINGS** USMC (Ret) G-1-1 VN HOUSTON, TX 5/6/2011

**PFC GLENN C. CUTHBERT MARDET** USS MIDWAY CH JAMISON, PA

**NITA DARIANO** OBN ONLY TIFFIN, OH 1/22/2011

**GYSGT GILBERT C. DAVIDSON** USMC(RET.) I-3-1 KO VN JASPER, GA

**CPL CALVIN M. DAVIS** I-3-11 WWII HAGERSTOWN, MD 8/31/2013

**ROBERT H. DELEHANTY** H&S-1MAR WWII CH ROANOKE, VA 9/1/2014

**LTCOL LOOMIS L. DEMENT** USMC (Ret) SVC-3-5 MAW WWII KO VN SPRINGFIELD, VA 6/8/2013

**SGT MICHAEL J. DENIGAN** D-2-7 KO OAK LAWN, IL 3/2/2013

**COL CHESTER P. DERENG** USMC (Ret) SVC-FLSG WWII KO VN GEORGETOWN, TX 1/27/2017

**CPL ALLAN B. DETRICK** B-1-1 7MAR CH ELK GROVE, CA 10/23/2010

**MRS. MARY Patricia DOLAN** OBN ONLY DOWNERS GROVE, IL 1/7/2011

**CAPT ROBERT J. DOLMAN** USMC (Ret) H-3-5 KO CW JACKSONVILLE, NC 7/5/2011

**MRS. LAURA DOTSON** OBN ONLY OAK ISLAND, NC 4/14/2014

**DONALD E. DOTY** 4JASCO 7MAR WWII CH ALBION, IL 1/25/2017

**SGT DONALD R. DOWNEY** C-1-1 KO DANVILLE, IL 12/7/2011

***SGT RICHARD P. DOYLE** AT-7MAR KO BEACH HAVEN, NJ 1/8/2019

**SGT RICHARD J. DUBROCK** WPNS-2-1 KO MELBOURNE, FL 11/21/2012

**SGT RICHARD J. DUGGAN** C-1TK KO NEW BERN, NC 6/26/2018

***PVT JOHN C. DUKE** K-3-1 WWII OWINGS MILLS, MD 7/20/2009

**BARBARA DULONG** OBN ONLY INDIANAPOLIS, IN

**CPL GEORGE P. DUPONT** H-3-5 KO MARRERO, LA 11/1/2012

**MRS. MARY S. EAGAN** OBN ONLY SAN BENITO, TX 4/23/2012

**SGT CLYDE R. EBERT** C-1ST AMTRAC BN WWII KO PORTLAND, OR 8/24/2018

**MSGT GIL C. EBNER** VMO3-11MAR WWII ROCKVILLE, MD 6/29/2014

## Past FMDA Treasurer Jim Zalpis guarding the 'Gates of Heaven'

The Association offered to send flowers, but his wife Nancy asked that we keep the money in the General Fund. Thank you, Nancy and Jim.



**Jim Zalpis in Vietnam**

**MARY T. EHRENFELD** OBN ONLY HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA

**SGT THOMAS H. ELROD** WPNS-5MAR WWII MATTHEWS, NC 12/22/2011

**SSGT LEWIS W. EMERICH** A-1-11 KO HOUSTON, TX 12/15/2010

**CPL ROBERT C. ESPINOSA** 8AMTRAC WWII BAKERSFIELD, CA 6/29/2011

**COL DEAN E. ESSLINGER** USMC (Ret) H&S-1TK H&S-3-5 WWII KO VN RICHMOND, VA 4/9/2012

**CPL JOSEPH T. EVANS** HQ-3-5 WWII CH SWOYERSVILLE, PA 10/28/2013

**CAPT ROBERT B. FARRELL** I-3-7 7MT KO ANAHEIM, CA 9/19/2011

**MRS. SALLY FAYLES** BELLA VISTA, AR 12/21/2012

***HM2 JAMES R. FERRIS** H-3-5 1MAR KO FORT MYERS, FL 1/30/2014

**WILLIAM J. FLOOD** B-1-5 WWII SPRING HILL, FL

**SGT THOMAS A. FORTENBERRY** AMMO-HQ-1FSR/FLC VN SUMMIT, MS 12/13/2016

**HELEN FOWLER** OBN ONLY LANCASTER, PA 12/1/2013

***SGT BILLY E. FOX** HDQ CO 1ST BASE DEPOT 1MAR DIV WILTON, CA 2/10/2018

**MAJ VINCENT FRANANO** USMC (Ret) 1MAW WWII CH KO VN KANSAS CITY, MO 6/23/2013

**QMC JEROME D. FRANKLIN** DDR742 BB64 WWII KO WAYNESVILLE, NC

**CPL ROY A. FRANZEN** F-2-7 KO BROCKTON, MA 10/21/2013

**MRS MARY LOU FRATZKE** OBN PIERRE, SD 8/6/2011

**SGT CURTIS R. FREDERICKSON** C-1-1 KO NORTH HILLS, PA 9/2/0201

**SGT MICHAEL S. GAGLIAN**O WPNS-1-5 KO GLEN ELLYN, IL 2/25/2011

**LCPL STEVE GARCIA** C-1-11 VN HOUSTON, TX 5/9/2011

**MRS PATRICIA GARRETT** USMC (Ret) ASSOCIATE MULLINS, SC 7/31/2013

**PFC RICARDO GARZA JR** D-2-5 KO LAREDO, TX 2/16/2012

**CAPT JOHN F. GEARHART** D-2-1 KO CYPRESS, CA 7/9/2013

**PFC ROBERT C. GEIGER** A-MT WWII LEHIGHTON, PA 4/10/2017

**PFC LEO G. GEVAN** K-4-1 CH CREVE COEUR, IL 12/7/2011

**PFC ARLO W. GIBSON** I-3-5 WWII CH HARDESTY, OK 4/17/2018

**MRS ROSEMARIE GIFFEAR** OBN ONLY PHILADELPHIA, PA 1/17/2011

**CPL CLARENCE GLANDER** 4JASCO 2-1MAR WWII CH LISLE, IL 12/2/2011

**SGT JAMES M. GLEASON** 4JASCO WWII CH PACE, FL 7/27/2013

**WO ARTHUR H. GOETZ** BBA, MLS USMC (Ret) A/B-1ENGR CH KO SALISBURY, MD 10/24/2010

**GYSGT FELIX C. GOGO** SVC-HQ HQ-11MAR VN AGANA, GU 11/2/2014

**RM2 WAYNE H. GOLDER** 4JASCO 1ASCO 2-7MAR WWII INDIANAPOLIS, IN 9/21/2011

**PFC JUAN R. GONZALES** H-3-7 KO SAN ANTONIO, TX 7/18/2016

**SGT KENNETH GOODROW** WPNS-5-MAR KO LEVITTOWN, PA 8/15/2016

**CPL JESSE L. GOOGE JR** K-3-5 WWII JACKSONVILLE, FL 1/2/2012

**MRS BARBARA GREENFIELD** OBN ONLY GLENMOORE, PA 4/6/2014

***CPL RONALD J. GREIG** WPNS/A-1-5 KO FAR ROCKAWAY, NY 1/29/2019

**CAPT ROBERT J. GRETZ** C-1-11 WWII CH GLADWYNE, PA 9/25/2013

**MSGT THOMAS M. GRIMES** USMC (Ret) G-3-7 WWII KO ASHLAND CITY, TN 10/11/2013

**SGT FRANK G. GRUCA** H-2-1 WWII WARREN, MI 3/27/2013

**SGT JOHN D. GUMPERT Sr** H&S/G-3-5 KO DAVENPORT, IA 3/21/2013

**JACK D. GUNTHER** 12AABN WWII LANSING, MI 2/7/2012

**PFC RALPH B. HAKANSON** H-3-7 KO MORRISVILLE, NC

**CPL ROBERT E. HALL JR** WPNS-2-5 KO SCOTIA, NY 10/15/2015

**LTCOL JAMES D. HAMMOND JR** USMC (Ret) D-2-7 KO WOODSTOCK, GA 8/8/2016

**CPL KENNETH W. HANCOCK** B-1SHPTY 5MAR VN ARCHDALE, NC 9/26/2014

**PFC BILLY B. HAND** B-1TK WWII CH ROARING SPRINGS, TX 4/18/2011

PFC ROLAND L. HARE C-1ENGR KO LANSDALE, PA 3/15/2013

***COL MICHAEL H. HARRINGTON** USMC (Ret) C BTRY 1-11 HOUSTON, TX 5/14/2019

**GYSGT NICHOLAS HARRIS** D-2-1 KO CLEVELAND, OH 12/24/2011

**MRS JOAN A. HARVEY** ASSOCIATE METAIRIE, LA 12/12/2016

**HM1 CARSON M. HATTON** FMF, USN(RET.) 3-5MAR 1MED KO GRAND RIVERS, KY 1/26/2017

**CPL DEAN S. HAYES** M-3-5 CW ADDISON, IL 4/24/2012

**CPL SAM EARLEY HEFFINGER** G-2-5 WWII MADISON, NC 6/28/2011

**SGT RONALD R. HEIDIG** VMF(N)513-1MAW KO WAVERLY, NY 12/27/2013

**SGT KARL H. HEINEMEYER** HMR-161 KO MIDDLEBURG HEIGHTS, OH 12/5/2010

**SGT REGIS W. HELCH** D-2-5 KO PITTSBURGH, PA 11/24/2014

**BETTY HELMICK** OBN RICHMOND, VA 9/29/2017

**SSGT WARREN G. HENDRICKS** 111-81INFDIV WWII BULLHEAD CITY, AZ 2/15/2011

***SGT CHARLES R. HENNINGS** A-1MT KO YUMA, AZ 11/13/2018

**SGT SALVADOR J. HERNANDEZ** WPNS-1-5 CH KO OAKLEY, CA

**LCPL JOHN H. HOCKENBURY** OBN ONLY STEVENSVILLE, MT 4/8/2018

C**PL PHILIP G. HOFF** K-3-5 WWII CH MADISON, WI 4/23/2011

**MR. KENNETH G. HOGAN** WPNS-3-1 KO RICHMOND, VA

***LTCOL CALVIN D. HOLCROFT** USMC (Ret) 7COMM WWII CH KO VN SAN DIEGO, CA 1/10/2012

**CPL JAMES H. HOLTON** WPNS-1-5 KO GRAY, TN 9/2/2017

**CPL ROLAND R. HON** A-1-5 WWII LADYSMITH, WI 10/18/2010

**SGT STEPHEN S. HORNSBY** I-3-1 KO COLUMBIA, SC 8/10/2013

**PATRICIA HUBER** OBN ONLY SPRINGFIELD, VA 9/8/2014

**TSGT JOHN A. HULIN** I-2-4 1MAW WWII HICKORY, NC 7/1/2014

**COL FOREST J. HUNT** USMC (Ret) G-3-1 1ST MAR REGT KO VN SYKESVILLE, MD 3/3/2014

**SSGT CECIL H. HYDE** D-2-1 KO KEEGO HARBOR, MI 5/11/2015

**SGT LEROY E. IDE** 1ENGR KO EDGERTON, WI

**PFC OLIVER JACKSON** H&S-3-1 VN DELBARTON, WV 4/6/2014

**THOMAS H. JENKINS** F-2-7 WWII UPATOI, GA 3/11/2016

**SGT WILLIAM C. JENKINS** 11MAR WWII CH KO LITTLETON, CO 1/23/2012

**SGT CHARLES F. JOHNSON** 1MAW KO GRAND RAPIDS, MI

**MSGT GEORGE W. JOHNSON** ATT 127FA VN VENTURA, CA

**PFC GORDON A. JOHNSON** RECON K-3-1 WWII PORT SAINT LUCIE, FL 5/31/2014

**SGT HOWARD E. JOHNSON** 8 AMTRAC WWII PORT ALLEGANY, PA 6/29/2013

**CPL TANDY JOHNSON** VMFAA-122/MABS33 VN FORT WORTH, TX 5/12/2011

**CAPT JAMES CARROLL JONES** HQ/B-7ENGR VN CARY, NC 1/31/2010

**CPL JERRED E. JONES** MT-HQ CW **JUNEAU, AK 9/13/2016**

**GYSGT WILLIAM J. JONES JR** USMC (Ret) HQCO-2-1 G-3-7 SILVER SPRING, MD

**LCPL JAMES J. JORZ** 1SHPTY VN SOUTH VENICE, FL 8/29/2011

**CWO EARL H. KARR** ATT FMF SO PAC WWII CYPRESS, CA 9/14/2011

**TSGT JAMES W. KAUFMAN** USMC(RET.) WPNS-7MAR WWII BOSWELL, PA 11/4/2014

C**PL MORGAN L. KELTY** 7-AAA-BN WWII LOUISVILLE, KY 12/8/2010

**SGT RAYMOND W. KERR** E-2-7 WWII RIDLEY PARK, PA 5/10/2015

**COL EDWARD C. KICKLIGHTER** USMC (Ret) AIR OFFICER WWII KO VN ALEXANDRIA, VA 12/1/2013

**CPL RICHARD D. KIMPSTON** B-1-5 WWII KO EDEN PRAIRIE, MN 3/23/2011

**MRS FAYE KLINGLER** OBN EAST ALTON, IL 5/4/2015

**SGT HAROLD V. KNABEL** HQ/D-2-1 KO TACOMA, WA 1/16/2013

**HMC RICHARD C. KNOEBEL** FMF USN (Ret) 1SHPTY WWII KO GAITHERSBURG, MD 5/13/2017

**MRS MARGARET KOPP** ASSOCIATE **WEST MELBOURNE, FL 7/7/2017**

**TSGT THEOPHILUS KOVATIS** HQ 7MAR WWII WEST CHESTER, PA 8/13/2012

**SGT DONALD K. KRIEG** D-12DEF WWII SAGINAW, MI 9/27/2015

**PFC RICHARD J. KRUPPIAK** I-3-7 KO PALOS HILLS, IL 3/24/2012

**SGT MICHAEL J. LAMARCH** SPT-1ENGR VN ESCANABA, MI

***SGTMAJ ROBERT F. LANCE** USMC (Ret) D-2-7 A-1-1 KO VN GRETNA, LA 7/14/2018

**SSGT JOSEPH LANE** G-2-1 WWII LEXINGTON, KY 4/22/2014

**CPL STEPHEN LAROSA** H&S-1-7 KO PHILADELPHIA, PA 3/4/2012

**CPL HOWARD H. LEMONDS** K-3-1 WWII ASHEBORO, NC 1/24/2013

**CPL RALPH LENZO I**-3-1 WWII LADY LAKE, FL 3/31/2011

**CPL FREDERICK N. LEQUIA** 1CSG KO MENIFEE, CA

**CPL RICHARD H. LEVITCH** A-1-11 WWII CH FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 1/27/2011

**MRS NANCY LEWIS** OBN SHEBOYGAN, WI 5/26/2015

**SGT SAMUEL A. LEWIS** 3ARMAMPH WWII WICKENBURG, AZ

**SGT BARRY W. LEYENDECKER** M-3-7 VN BEAUMONT, TX 4/25/2012

**MRS SARA LINCOLN** OBN QUARRYVILLE, PA 12/9/2013

**SGT JERRY W. LINDER** G-3-7 KO PASO ROBLES, CA 2/25/2017

**CWO5 ALAN J. LIRETTE** USMC (Ret) 3-5MAR 1LVT VN KENNER, LA 12/4/2016

**COL MICHAEL D. LITTLE** ATT 26MAR VN HIGHLANDS RANCH, CO

**PHM3/C JOHN M. LONG JR** C-1MED WWII CH CHICAGO, IL

**CPL JOHN B. LOONEY-LAVELLE** HQ-2-5 WWII WOODSTOCK, GA

**CPL JOSEPH A. LORBER** MACT2 WWII PERRY HALL, MD 9/20/2014

**SIDNEY LUNA** WWII SANTA PAULA, CA 5/13/2019

**CPL JEAN P. LUSHIN** H&S-1-1 CW KOKOMO, IN 1/14/2017

**SGT JAMES D. LUTHER** USMC (Ret) 5MAR VN THOMASVILLE, NC

**CPL CLAUDE C. LYNCH** B-3AMTRAC WWII NEW LENOX, IL 8/8/2012

**CPL ROY R. MADARA** K-3-1 WWII CH PITTSBURGH, PA 11/25/2013

**1STLT WILLIAM H. MAGILL** C-1ENGR 1AVNENGR WWII VENICE, FL

DUFFY MANCINI NEW YORK, NY

**SSGT JOSEPH P. MANGUNO** 11MAR CH KENNER, LA

**MAJ PETER G. MANOS** MTACS-2-K KO CLINTON TOWNSHIP, MI

**RUDOLPH R. MARTINEZ** 11MAR WWII CH CHINO, CA 11/20/2010

**LTCOL ROBERT F. MASSAFERI** F-2-7 7MT WWII KO HOCKESSIN, DE 2/15/2017

**MRS SUE MATHENEY** OBN ONLy MONTEREY, TN

**CPL JOSEPH I. MAUM JR** H&S-2-11 WWII CH PHILADELPHIA, PA 8/4/2015

**CWO4 DERWOOD SCOTT MAXWELL** USMC (Ret) H-3-7 KO HERTFORD, NC 4/6/2013

**CPL FRED J. MAYERS** K-3-7 WWII CH PLANTATION, FL 11/26/2010

**TOM J. MCBRIDE** F-2-1 WWII CH STATE COLLEGE, PA 5/23/2018

**DOROTHY M. MCCORMACK** OBN ONLY MAPLE GROVE, MN

**CPL VERNON W. MCDONALD** K-3-5 VN ROCKINGHAM, NC 5/10/2015

**SSGT ROBERT B. MCELHINEY** 7MAR KO PORT CHARLOTTE, FL

**BENITA MCGINN** OBN SUN CITY WEST, AZ 12/3/2013

**CPL WADE B. MCKENNEY** G-2-5 WWII AMBRIDGE, PA 1/4/2015

**CPL RICHARD E. MCLAUGHLIN** A-1-5 KO GOODVIEW, VA 3/17/2011

***SSGT EDWARD J. MCNALLY** HQ-17MAR WWII CH SIMI VALLEY, CA 7/13/2016

**CPL ROBERT J. MCSWEENEY** D-2-1 KO CHICAGO, IL 2/6/2012

**CPL SHIRLEY MCSWEENEY** ASSOCIATE CHICAGO, IL 2/5/2012

***GYSGT FRANK E. MELL Jr** USMC (Ret) 1 MAW KO VN SAN MARCOS, CA 8/8/2009

**SGT CLAYTON H. MELSON** SPT-1SVC D-2-5 KO ARDMORE, PA 3/30/2017

**PFC CHARLES B. METCALF** ARMAMPH KO BESSEMER CITY, NC

**MRS KATHERINE (KITTY) L. METZ** ASSOCIATE CATONSVILLE, MD 2/19/2014

**SGT RICHARD H. MICKELSEN** B-1ENGR WWII KENOSHA, WI 10/19/2010

**SSGT EVERETT J. MILLER** VMSB231 1MAW WWII WENATCHEE, WA 2/10/2012

**IRIS MILLER** OBN ONLY COSHOCTON, OH

**PFC GLENN W. MILLS** C-ENGR WWII TALBOTT, TN

**CPL EDMUND A. MINSTER** HQ-3-5 WWII CH SILVER SPRING, MD 7/10/2012

**SSGT JOHN F. MISDOM JR.,** USMC(RET.) E/G-2-1 WWII CH KO VN JACKSONVILLE, FL 5/28/2017

**SGT MERLIN F. MITCHELL** COMM-HQ WWII CH BARTLESVILLE, OK 8/4/2016

**CPL LEROY O. MOON** B-1ENGR WWII CH CEDAR, MN 4/28/2011

MRS. NORINE W. MOORE OBN ONLY ENKA, NC

**SGT EDWARD C. MORAN** E/G/H-2-7 VN KEY WEST, FL

**MRS. BILLIE JEAN MORTON** OBN ONLY ANCHORAGE, AK 12/7/2010

**CAPT STAVROS S. MOUNGELIS** USMC (Ret) HMR161 KO NORTH POTOMAC, MD

**CPL ANTHONY T. MUCCIARONE** MED H-3-7 KO ERIE, PA 12/6/2010

**CPL HOWARD LOUIS MUHL JR.** F-2-1 KO CATONSVILLE, MD 10/12/2008

**SGT THOMAS W. MURPHY** A-3AMTRAC VN CLAYTON, NC

**CPL JAMES W. NEAL** I-3-1 WWII CH NETTLETON, MS

**CPL JOHN L. NEHUS** 7SVC 2-1MAR WWII CH KO FLORENCE, SC 5/19/2011

**PFC CARL T. NEWLAND** F-2-5-WWII TALLAHASSEE, FL 1/9/2012

**MRS GLORIA NORDHAUSER** OBN ONLY HAYMARKET, VA

**SGT RONALD D. NORRIS** G-3-1 KO LANSING, MI 7/20/2012

**MONTE R. NORTON** C-1-11 KO GRASS VALLEY, CA 2/24/2010

**SSGT JAMES E. O'BRIEN** A BTRY 1-11 KO MASON CITY, IA 8/4/2011

**PFC THOMAS J. O'TOOLE** F-2-7 WWII CH SAINT LOUIS, MO 10/25/2016

**SM3 BERNARD M. OGDEN** 4JASCO WWII LIVONIA, MI 4/26/2013

**LTCOL ROBERT W. OLIVER** USMC (Ret) WPNS-3-1 WWII KO VN ANNANDALE, VA 3/24/2011

**SGT JAMES A. OLSON** WPNS-3-1 KO NORTH LIBERTY, IN 1/29/2019

**CPL LESLIE G. OLSON** E-2-7 KO ROSELLE, IL 3/12/2010

**GYSGT PAUL J. ORLETT** USMC (Ret) F-2-5 K-3-5 KO VN MILFORD, VA 10/21/2016

**LT JOHN M. OSBORNE** HQ-HQ WWII JACKSON, MS 11/18/2015

**JACK L. PAGE** WPNS-2-7 KO NASHVILLE, TN 3/26/2017

**1STSGT ARTHUR E. PAIGE** USMC(RET.) USMC (Ret) I-3-11 WWII CW KO CALABASH, NC 12/21/2012

***MGYSGT GEORGE PAPPAS** (Ret) WPNS-7MAR WWII KO VN OCEANSIDE, CA 8/30/2014

**1STLT AUSTIN S. PARKER** USMC (Ret) WPNS-3-5/7 CH KO CORAL GABLES, FL 10/11/2014

***COL RICHARD A. PARTEE** USMCR (Ret) H&S-1RECON CW PALM DESERT, CA 3/10/2019

**MRS ANNA PASSARETTI** OBN LEVITTOWN, PA

**SGT SALVATORE J. PATE** SVC-1MAR KO STEUBENVILLE, OH 3/20/2011

**PFC FREDDIE PAYNE JR.**, USMC(RET.) USMC (Ret) F-2-1 VN MEMPHIS, TN 4/22/2013

**MRS NANCY PAYTON** ORLANDO, FL 12/5/2011

**SSGT JAMES L. PEABODY** C-1TK KO DENVER, CO

**SSGT CHARLES M. PEARSON** F-2-7 KO ALEXANDRIA, VA 3/27/2017

**HM3 GLENN A. PECK** HQ-2-7 WWII LAKE WORTH, FL 5/26/2011

**CPL RALPH H. PEKRUL** HQ-2-11 WWII PARMA, OH

**CPL WILLIAM F. PENDERGAST** I-3-7 KO CLINTON TOWNSHIP, MI 8/21/2013

**PFC ROBERT E. PETERSEN** A/R-1MT WWII CH SELMA, CA

**1STSGT FLOYD C. PETERSON** F-2-5 KO GLENDORA, CA 5/24/2017

**MRS KENNETH A. PETERSON** OBN WOOD DALE, IL 11/22/2011

**MRS. GERTRUDE M. PFAHLER** OBN ONLY GREELEY, PA 11/24/2013

**PFC LAWRENCE A. PFEIL** WPNS-1-1 WWII NEWPORT NEWS, VA 2/20/2011

**SGT ELMER F. PFLUG** H&S-7MAR KO JOHNSBURG, IL 6/8/2015

**CAPT DONALD F. PHILLIPS** USMC (Ret) H&S/E-2-5 KO VN RALEIGH, NC 11/7/2013

**PFC DANIEL S. POWERS** HQ-HQ CMC WESTMINISTER, CO

***1STSGT MICHAEL J. PUGLIA** USMC (Ret) G-3-1 HQ-3-5 KO EAST MARRITON , PA 4/15/2019

G**YSGT RODNEY (PU) H. PUPUHI** 1RECON FORRECON KO VN KINGMAN, AZ 10/24/2014

**CPL DAVID E. RAMSAY** H-3-5 CW SEATTLE, WA

**PFC JOSEPH RATNER** ABLE 1ST MARBN 1ST MAR REG HEMPSTEAD, NY 4/27/2019

**HAROLD L. REED** C-1-7 WWII KO JACKSONVILLE BEACH, FL 1/31/2011

**GYSGT HERMAN M. REVIS** WPNS-7MAR WWII KO ASHEVILLE, NC 4/19/2017

**COL FRANCIS D. RINEER** USMC (Ret) D-1-1 B-1-1 WWII CH LANCASTER, PA 8/10/2013

**CPL CHARLES C. ROBERTSON** B-1-5 WWII LA GRANGE, KY 1/12/2011

**PFC JOSEPH P. RODGERS** C-1-7 WWII CENTENNIAL, CO 5/11/2013

**CPL EDWARD C. RODRIGUEZ** C-1-7 HQ-2-11 KO CAMERON, IL 12/7/2012

***A. LEWIS ROMERO** 81MM-3-1 WWII CH APTOS, CA

**CPL CHARLES R. ROMING** I-3-7 VN EDDY, TX 4/5/2011

**MSGT ARTHUR V. ROWE** SIG-HQ H&S/C-1TK WWII SEQUIM, WA 2/19/2014

**SGT DONALD A. RUPERT** 1SVC KO POTTSTOWN, PA 12/28/2015

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