

“NEVER AGAIN WILL ONE GENERATION OF VETERANS ABANDON ANOTHER”

WHO WE ARE

Founded in 1978, Vietnam Veterans of America is the only national Vietnam veteran’s organization congressionally chartered and exclusively dedicated to Vietnam-era veterans and their families. VVA is organized as a not-for-profit corporation and is tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(19) of the Internal Revenue Service Code.

VVA'S FOUNDING PRINCIPLE

"Never again will one generation of veterans abandon another."

GOALS

VVA's goals are to promote and support the full range of issues important to Vietnam veterans, to create a new identity for this generation of veterans, and to change public perception of Vietnam veterans.

ORGANIZATION

- Over 50,000 individual members
- 46 state councils
- 630 local chapters

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

- Aggressively advocate on issues important to veterans
- Seek full access to quality health care for veterans
- Identify the full range of disabling injuries and illnesses incurred during military service
- Hold government agencies accountable for following laws mandating veteran’s health care
- Create a positive public perception of Vietnam veterans
- Seek the fullest possible accounting of America's POW/MIAs
- Support the next generation of America's war veterans
- Serve our communities

FUNDING

Vietnam Veterans of America relies totally on private contributions for its revenue. VVA does not receive any funding from federal, state, or local governments.

NATIONAL OFFICERS

John Rowan – President
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VVA CHAPTER 404 BORGER, TEXAS

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The Monthly Chapter meeting is the second Tuesday of each month at the Red Cross Building located at 614 Weatherly in Borger, Texas. Pot Luck Dinner is at 5:30 pm and the meeting starts at 6:00 pm.

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THE SYMBOLISM OF THE FLAG OF THE VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA



- THE GOLDEN YELLOW BACKGROUND IS THE MAJOR COLOR OF THE VIETNAM SERVICE RIBBON.
- THE SEVENTEEN CAMPAIGN STARS REPRESENT THE SEVENTEEN OFFICIAL CAMPAIGNS OF THE VIETNAM WAR.
- IN THE CENTER BETWEEN THE CAMPAIGN STARS IS THE VVA OFFICIAL DESIGN.
- A WREATH SURROUNDING THE INSIGNIA IS IN NATURAL COLOR AND MADE UP OF A LAUREL BRANCH AND A BUNDLE OF RICE STALKS BOTH TIED TOGETHER AT THE BOTTOM WITH A STRAND OF BARBED WIRE.
- THE RICE STALKS REPRESENT SOUTHEAST ASIA.
- THE LAUREL SIGNIFIES HONOR TO ALL WHO SERVED THERE.
- THE BARBED WIRE REMINDS US OF THE POW'S AND MIA'S FOR WHOM THERE STILL MUST BE A PROPER ACCOUNTING

MEMBERSHIP IN THE VVA

Membership is open to U.S. armed forces veterans who served on active duty (for other than training purposes) in the Republic of Vietnam between February 28, 1961 and May 7, 1975, or in any duty location between August 5, 1964 and May 7, 1975.

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____
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Date of Birth _____ Sex _____

Type of Membership:

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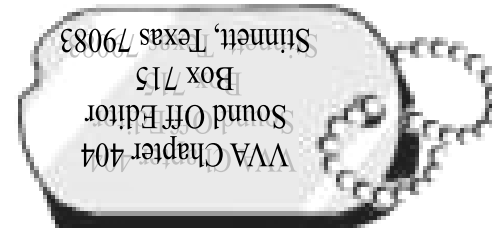
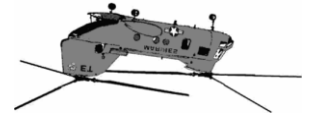
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**VVA Texas State Council / Luther Newberry – President / PO Box 1860 / Fritch, Texas 79036-1860
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From the VVA and AVVA Members of Chapter 404
To all veterans Past and Present,
**Welcome Home Brothers and Sisters,
WELCOME HOME!**

