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Chapter 787 Booth, Home Show, Tampa Convention Center

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Your Chapter received over \$1865 from the Tampa Bay Home Show fund raiser thanks to the efforts of Chapter President **Jim (Rambo) LaGarde**, Scy/Tre **Bob Silmsers**, VP **Tom Hall**, **Carl Harris** (who worked the booth all four days), **Tony Towers**, **Herman Rainey**, **Kevin Ruhl**, **Mickey Taylor** and **Richard Nye**. Great Job guys!

Pictures: Top L-R, Chapter member of the year **Carl Harris**, **Bob Silmsers** and **Tony Towers**, Bottom L-R

Meetings

Chapter Meetings are held the 4th Thursday of each month.

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Brandon Veterans Hall, 115 W. Clay Brandon Fl. 33510. See Map on last page. **Mailing address: P.O. Box 89247, Tampa Fl. 33689-0404.**



Jeremy & Tracey, Hall Are Married!



Congratulations to Jeremy & Tracey. Jeremy is the son of long time chapter member Tom Hall. Tom is currently serving as chapter 787 VP, Florida State Council Treasurer, Chairman of the local High Schools Speakers Bureau and state Hurricane preparedness coordinator

New bumper sticker created by Bob Silmsers!

Shown below, it is now available for only \$4.00. To get yours, contact Bob by phone at 813-220-7246 or by e-mail at Rafkirk64@tampabay.rr.com.



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Chapter T-Shirts

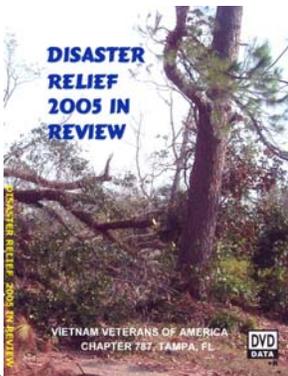
\$15.00 for size Large & X-Large, 4 in stock now. \$17.00 for size XX-Large

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3-1/2" Iron on Patches and window decals \$3.00 (shown at right).



At Left: Disaster Relief DVD. Created by chapter Secretary, Bob Silmsers, this DVD shows how chapter 787 assisted victims in the states of Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana during the disastrous hurricane season of 2005. The DVD shows how chapter members made multiple trips with supplies and other assistance to the affected regions.

The DVD is well worth the small \$10 cost. Contact Bob Silmsers at (813) 685-3483 for copies.

REPLICA OF THE VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL TRAVELS TO WESTFIELD MALL IN BRANDON FLA.!

Brandon, FL (August 18, 2006) –The Dignity Memorial ® Vietnam Wall, a traveling replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. comes to Brandon on October 20-22, 2006 to be displayed at Westfield Brandon for everyone to see the names of more than 58,000 Americans who died or are missing in Vietnam.

Dignity Memorial, in conjunction with Westfield Brandon, will benefit The Greater Brandon Community Foundation to support The Haley House Fund, Inc. and other charities in the Greater Brandon Community.

“We need volunteers, motorcycle riders and sponsors who want to support this community event,” said Hillsborough County Veterans Council President Dave Braun. “It’s a great opportunity for all of us to help bring history to life and be a part of it.”

The officials say the ¾ scale, 240 feet long, eight feet high Dignity Memorial ® Vietnam Wall replica will be escorted to Westfield Brandon with the help of the Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Department and registered motorcyclists on October 17, 2006. “It will be a grand entrance and a grand opening followed by ceremonies throughout each day including special guests, speakers, dignitaries and reading of the names of our heroes continuously,” said program coordinator Mary Boor. “Daily programs at Westfield Brandon are being planned throughout the days the Vietnam Wall is here. Additional events to celebrate the display will be hosted around the community including *United We Stand Festival* at Winthrop Village on Sunday afternoon with children’s choir, food and entertainment for everyone to celebrate this great occasion.”

Schools can visit the Dignity Memorial ® Vietnam Wall and bring lessons about the Vietnam War to life. Special papers for students and visitors will be provided to rub names off the wall and take with them.

Motorcyclists who are interested riding in the parade must register and reserve their positions with a \$20 payment by calling (813) 752-1111. There is limited space and reservations will be made on a first-call-first-serve basis. Volunteers can call (813) 653-3383 to sign up to help in different areas. For sponsorship opportunities, school visitations and for more information please call (813) 417-0481. Media can contact Bill Hartgrove at (813) 689-8121.

Chapter Breakfast, Everyone’s Invited

Each month, Chapter 787 members and family, should plan to attend a morning breakfast at the FLYING “J” restaurant which is located at the intersection of Hwy 579 North and I-4. The intersection is near the Lazy Days RV dealership.



Show time is 8:00 AM the 4th Saturday of each month (first Saturday after the chapter meetings). Wear your colors. The chapter wants to continue to support events that can bring together members and their families who may not be able to attend other functions.



This Month during the War in Vietnam

October 1965: Jet aircraft also began to arrive. The first were the Republic F-105 Thunderchiefs, large fighter-bombers with limited maneuverability. They were soon replaced by McDonnell F-4 Phantom IIs. Descended from the McDonnell FH-1 Phantom, a single-seat carrier-based jet fighter, design changes made the F-4 the air force's main jet-engine fighter. These two-seaters allowed for weapon system officers (WSOs) who could manage the planes' radar systems, especially for air-to-air missiles. The Phantoms were the only equal to the aircraft the Soviet Union supplied to the North Vietnamese Air Force with--the MiG-21 Fishbed.



October 1966: The three 12th Infantry battalions deployed to Vietnam with the 4th Division from August through October 1966. The 3rd Brigade, 4th Division, to which the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry was assigned, set up base camp at Dau Tieng in III Corps while the rest of the 4th Division was assigned to the Vietnamese Highlands in II Corps alongside the 3rd Brigade of the 25th Division which had arrived in December, 1965. On [August 1, 1967](#) the two divisions swapped 3rd Brigades. Subsequently, the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry served with the 25th through 10 of the Battalion's 11 Vietnam campaigns and received the [Presidential Unit Citation](#) for gallantry in action at Suoi Tre. As part of the U.S. drawdown, the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry was returned to [Fort Lewis](#), WA, and inactivated on [17 April 1971](#).



October 1967: BG Terry Allen is ordered to report to Vietnam. American troops there are having difficulty engaging the Viet Cong in decisive battles, and pressure from both political and military leadership to take more aggressive action is growing. During the year a number of officers within Allen's First Infantry Division are dismissed. One such dismissal leads to Allen's appointment that summer as commander of a battalion within the storied "Black Lions" regiment



October 1968: Operation Toan Thang II Golden Dragons of the 14th Infantry, 25th Infantry Division, into the rainy season. Operations during June and July found the Dragons primarily employed as a blocking force against NVA attempts to penetrate the Saigon metropolitan area. Moving to various strategic locations about the city, the Golden Dragons established defensive locations along known infiltration routes and maintained a watchful surveillance until the threat subsided. During the opening days of August, intelligence reports of large weapons caches in the hamlets north of Duc Hoa, brought the 2d Bn, 14th Inf into the second phase of operations during Toan Thang II. Initial operations in Duc Hoa District proved to be so successful that for the remaining months of the year the Golden Dragons were given the responsibility to clear and secure the predominantly VC hamlets of Duc Hoa District.



October 1969: USS New Orleans (LPH-11) offloaded 18 CH-53As from HMH-361 to join MAG-36 at Phu Bai. Operation Durham Peak brought many aircrews back into the Que Son Mountains and the Que Son valley, which was first entered during Operation Harvest Moon in 1965. Marine helos supported a major joint US Army-US Marine operation in Hiep Duc once again. The final SLF landing was conducted by HMM-265 on 7 Sep in Operation Defiant Stand, a joint operation with the Korean Marines. On 7 Nov, the SLF was composed of redeployed units, including HMM-165 and HMM-164, and could no longer be introduced into Vietnam without the approval of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.



Submitted By: Jon Mueller

Quote

“It is better to have a known enemy than a forced ally.” “To have good soldiers, a nation must always be at war.”

“Soldiers usually win the battles, and the Generals get credit for them.” “The most important qualification for a soldier is fortitude under fatigue and privation. Courage is only second; hardship, poverty and want are the best school for a soldier.”

“How many things, apparently impossible, have nevertheless been performed by resolute men who had no alternative but death.”

Napoleon Bonaparte

Basic Trainees Carry Legacy of Vietnam Vets

[ARNEWS ^](#) | Jul 12, 2006 | Bridgett Siter

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FORT BENNING, Ga. (Army News Service, July 12, 2006) – Pvt. Jay Grassel believes he has a lot in common with Pfc. James Murphy. Both Pittsburgh natives joined the Army at 19, fresh out of high school. Both were assigned to 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Regiment.

When the going gets tough, Grassel looks to Murphy for inspiration.

But Murphy doesn't know it. He was killed by small arms fire 44 days after arriving in Vietnam nearly 40 years ago.

"He knew he was going to war when he enlisted. I enlisted knowing I'll go to war," said Grassel, who's training with the 1st Bn., 50th Inf. Regt.'s C Company on Sand Hill. "I've had some hard times here, when I want to go home. That's when he gives me strength."

Grassel carries in his breast pocket an index card, tucked inside a zip-lock plastic bag, with Murphy's name on it. The Legacy Card bears Murphy's birth date, hometown, date of enlistment, where and with what unit he served, the date and cause of his death, and where his name can be found on the Vietnam Wall. Grassel knows every word by heart.

All 200 of his C Company comrades and the cadre carry similar cards, each inscribed with the name of a Soldier from the 1st Bn., 50th Inf. Regt., killed in combat in Vietnam. They were given the cards after the third week of basic training, after the "total control phase," when the drill sergeants began teaching them the Army values.

The Soldiers will carry the Legacy Cards, which reinforce the value of honor, until they're given their crossed rifle pins in a ceremony on Honor Hill in their 13th week of basic training, just days before their Aug. 25 graduation. Then they'll lay their cards at the foot of the 1st Bn., 50th Inf. Regt., memorial outside their headquarters building.

"To some of these kids, the Vietnam War is about as foreign as the Civil War. I tell them wars are fought not by guys my age, but kids their age, just like them. That makes it real to them," Robinson said. "They need to know the history of the unit and carry on that legacy."

Since the company began distributing the cards three cycles ago, the attrition rate has declined drastically, Robinson said, though he wouldn't commit to hard figures. But he knows the cards are making an impact on the unit and the individual Soldiers.

At the end of each cycle, Robinson sorts through the cards to see which ones are worn and need replacing. Occasionally, he said, he'll find one that's been improvised.

"They're supposed to keep it on them at all times and never lose it. But I've seen where they'll write it verbatim on a part of an MRE box because the first one got lost or damaged," he said. "That tells me they've taken it to heart."

[Check Out Our New Web Site at www.VVA787.com](http://www.VVA787.com)

Chapter Secretary and Treasurer, Bob Silmsler coordinated the development and got the site up and running. Some of the features include: the ability to download past copies of the chapters newsletter (OUTPOST), purchase chapter items for sale like T-shirts, coffee mugs, hats, Vietnam stickers and much more. You can also e-mail chapter officers directly from the web site.

Medal of Honor Winners of the Vietnam War.



Peter S. Connor



Rank and organization: Staff Sergeant, U.S. Marine Corps, Company F, 2d Battalion, 3d Marines, 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF. Place and date: Quang Nag Province, Republic of Vietnam, 25 February 1966. Entered service at: South Orange, NJ. Born: 4 September 1932, Orange, N.J. Citation: For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action against enemy Viet Cong forces at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty. Leading his platoon on a search and destroy operation in an area made particularly hazardous

by extensive cave and tunnel complexes, S/Sgt. Connor maneuvered his unit aggressively forward under intermittent enemy small-arms fire. Exhibiting particular alertness and keen observation, he spotted an enemy spider hole emplacement approximately 15 meters to his front. He pulled the pin from a fragmentation grenade intending to charge the hole boldly and drop the missile into its depths. Upon pulling the pin he realized that the firing mechanism was faulty, and that even as he held the safety device firmly in place, the fuse charge was already activated. With only precious seconds to decide, he further realized that he could not cover the distance to the small opening of the spider hole in sufficient time, and that to hurl the deadly bomb in any direction would result in death or injury to some of his comrades tactically deployed near him. Manifesting extraordinary gallantry and with utter disregard for his personal safety, he chose to hold the grenade against his body in order to absorb the terrific explosion and spare his comrades. His act of extreme valor and selflessness in the face of virtually certain death, although leaving him mortally wounded, spared many of his fellow marines from death or injury. His gallant action in giving his life in the cause of freedom reflects the highest credit upon the Marine Corps and the Armed Forces of the United States.



Submitted By: Jon Mueller

POW/MIA Recognition Day, Sept. 17 2006, Veterans Park, Tampa



Women in Vietnam

From the website: <http://www.illyria.com/vnwomen.html>. We encourage you to visit this important web site.

What We Need to Remember . . .

**"Women are warriors the same as men are warriors,
and what this country owes them, if 'owe' is the word,
is the same as we give any warrior.**

And that every time we sing "The Star-Spangled Banner" ... and we really get off on 'the rockets red glare, bombs bursting in air, gave proof through the night that our flag is still there' - that there are soldiers, both men and women, that have given that assurance, and you 'owe' for that assurance. And if you don't want to pay it, don't sing the song." ~ Liz Allen, RVN, 67-68

The military, which prided itself on the records it kept in Vietnam -- counting the enemy number of weapons captured, for example -- cannot to this day say with certainty how many women served. The army that sent them never bothered to count them. The [estimate](#) most frequently given is that a total of 7,500 served in the military in Vietnam."

Laura Palmer [Shrapnel in the Heart](#)

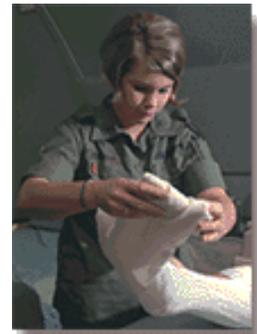
Over five hundred WACs were stationed in Vietnam.

Women Marines were in Vietnam.

Over six hundred Women in the Air Force were there.

Army, Navy and Air Force Nurses and Medical Specialists numbered over six thousand.

Untold numbers of Red Cross, Special Services, Civil Service and countless other women were there.



Pictured from L-R: National monument to the Women who served in Vietnam. Da Nang South Vietnam, Lt. Commander Joan Brouillette checks on PFC Charles Smith at the U.S. Naval Support Activity Hospital. First Lt. Elaine Niggemann changes the surgical dressing at the 24th Evac Hospital.

Veteran Receives Silver Star for Heroism in Vietnam

Army News Service | Pfc. Aubree Rundle | September 07, 2006

Ft. Bragg, N.C. - Richard L. Smith was serving with Company B, 229th Assault Helicopter Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division, when he first came under fire on Nov. 17, 1965.



The place was Albany Drop Zone in Vietnam’s Ia Drang Valley, site of the first major engagement in the war. A Specialist-Five helicopter crew chief, Smith rushed onto the battlefield to rescue several wounded Soldiers his team had come to evacuate from the firefight.

His exploits that day weren’t forgotten – they were recounted in “We Were Soldiers Once...and Young,” a book co-authored by retired Lt. Gen. Harold G. Moore, who was Smith’s battalion commander during the battle, and former war correspondent Joe Galloway, who was a reporter on the ground who witnessed many acts of heroism that day.

Smith deployed to Vietnam three times and spent more than 22 years on active duty before retiring as a sergeant first class, but he seldom talked about his wartime experiences until recently.

“Having the battle recognized in a book and a movie, that seemed to make it easier for him to share his story from that day,” said Smith’s wife, Nancy.

That recognition came full circle on Aug. 29, when Richard was awarded the nation’s third-highest wartime medal for valor.

Smith received the Silver Star in front of a formation of Soldiers from the 82nd Airborne Division’s Combat Aviation Brigade, and was named an honorary member of the 82nd Aviation Regimental Association for his exceptional role in Army Aviation, even though he is not Airborne qualified.

During the presentation, Division Commander Maj. Gen David Rodriguez thanked Smith’s family and three of his crew members, who had also participated in the battle and were present at the ceremony.

Rodriguez then turned to Smith and said, “A few years ago, the Army Chief of Staff put out a warrior ethos for all of us to learn, in the same tradition and legacy of what you did that day. The words are: ‘I will always place the mission first, I will never accept defeat, I will never quit, and I will never leave a fallen comrade’.”

Submitted By: Jon Mueller

VFW wants to Ban Smoking at Meetings



By Staff writer William H. McMichael, Army Times, September 25 2006

US Army veteran Gary Kurpitus, newly installed national commander, thinks by removing the ability of members to “light up” during meetings will attract more members especially younger ones. “The VFW’s future rests with attracting new members who want to believe that the VFW is more than just a bar.....and who want to believe that the VFW is an organization that regards change as a recognition of the future and not a criticism of the past.”

Chapter Membership Rewards

Any member of Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 787, in good standing, who sponsors a new V.V.A. or A.V.V.A member to Chapter 787 will be rewarded with his or her yearly dues paid for up to a maximum of three years.

Therefore, if you know of any Vietnam Vet or any other person who may be interested in joining our select group under the A.V.V. A. program, now is the time to contact them and save some money on your next annual due’s payment.

Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Time
<u>October 2006</u>		
12th Thursday	Board of Directors Meeting, Jon's House	6:30 PM
17th to 22nd	Dignity Memorial Vietnam Wall, Brandon (Westfield) Mall	
26th Thursday	Chapter Meeting, Brandon Veterans Hall	7:00 PM
28th Saturday	Chapter Breakfast get together, at the Flying "J" Restaurant Plant City	8:00 AM
<u>November 2006</u>		
3rd, 4th, & 5th	Florida Home Show at the Florida State Fair Grounds, Tampa Fl. Chapter 787 Booth	
9th Thursday	Board of Directors Meeting, Jon's House	6:30 PM
11th Saturday	Veterans Day, Chapter Parade Time TBD	
30th Thursday	Chapter Meeting, Brandon Veterans Hall (Changed date due to Thanksgiving)	7:00 PM

Submitted By: Bob Silmser

FLORIDA'S LARGEST HOME SHOW IS COMING TO THE FAIR-GROUNDS

AND WE WILL BE THERE BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP We need a minimum of 3 people per day to man our booth at the fall Home Show. You get free admission to the show on the days that your there.

Friday November 3rd 11:00am to 8:00 pm

Saturday November 4th 11:00am to 8:00pm

Sunday November 5th 11:00am to 6:00pm

Please contact Bob Silmser to schedule

813-220-7246 or Rafkirk64@Tampabay.rr.com



Financial Status of Chapter 787 as of September 14 2006

<u>Checking Account.....\$8,316.13</u>	Moving Wall Fund.....\$3,743.00	Holiday Meals Fund.....\$1,910.83
<u>Household Goods.....\$ 291.95</u>	Convention Fund.....\$1,853.30	<u>Petty Cash.....\$ 76.70</u>

All Accounts Total: \$10,438.08

Thanks to our Treasurer Bob Silmser

After Action Report from Florida State Council Meeting Sep 9, 2006

Want to send care packages to the troops? Get free boxes and packing from USPS.GOV, the boxes will be shipped to you free.

Crag is working on a handbook for Chapters for Disaster Relief, VVA wants to get out of it and have Florida do it all. We do such good work.

House Hold Goods contract is be revised, Chapters have to send a delegate to the State Council meeting to receive a three month check.

Rose Langford needs to know if we have a AVVA rep?

We need to make nominations by Nov 1 for

FSC Member of the year
Chapter member of the year
newsletter
incarcerated member
FSC Delegate

AVVA needs AVVA member of the year, they will decide this one.

AVVA needs membership, I hope that everyone will also join AVVA to show them our support (non voting member)

On Monday Sep 11 there was a dedication for the Florida Falling Vets held at Camp Blanding in Stark Fl.

On Oct 5 there will be a closed meeting at Orlando for the VA, members of DAV, AMVETS, VFW, AL, VVA will be invited, Jerry Kline and Dennis will attend

Membership we have 1757 members state wide including at-large and 199 AVVA members.

There is two PSN (Public Service Announcements) available to get members to join VVA, the State Council will be making them available to us so that we can contact radio stations and have them played. I think this is a great idea and I think that National should have done this all along.

Submitted By: Jon Mueller

Vietnam Weather Girl

Ms. Bobbie Keith, "The Vietnam Weather Girl" 1967, is a popular guest at many Vietnam Veteran Reunions these days. While she does not compare in value to our Military Women who serviced in Vietnam, Bobbie did add some psychological benefits to those men who were lucky enough to see her in-country T.V. broadcasts.

Bobbie lives near Coco Beach Fla.



Membership Application

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 28th 1961 and May 7, 1975, or in any duty location between August 5, 1964 and May 7, 1975.

Vietnam Veterans of America

Send to: VVA Chapter 787, P.O. Box 89247, Tampa Fl. 33689-0404



Name: _____ Male: _____ Female: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____ Apt. # _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work or Cell Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____ Chapter #787 Sponsor _____

Membership Type:

Individual: 1 year _____ \$20 3 years _____ \$50. Associate: 1 year _____ \$20 3 years _____ \$50

Life Member Options: _____ Life Member Ages 49 and Under: \$250, _____ Life Member Ages 50-55: \$225, _____ Life

Member Ages 56-60: \$200, _____ Life Member Ages 61-65: \$175, _____ Life Member Ages 66 +: \$150

_____ I am already a V.V.A. member and want to become a life member. My V.V.A. Member number is _____.

Optional Time Payment plan: \$50 down, and \$25 per month until paid in full.

Payment Method: Check _____

Money Order _____ Visa _____ MasterCard _____ If using a credit card: Card

Exp. Date: _____ Signature _____

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Help Your Chapter Grow

Bring a New Member to the Next Chapter Meeting.

Come and Join Us. Give us your Ideas.

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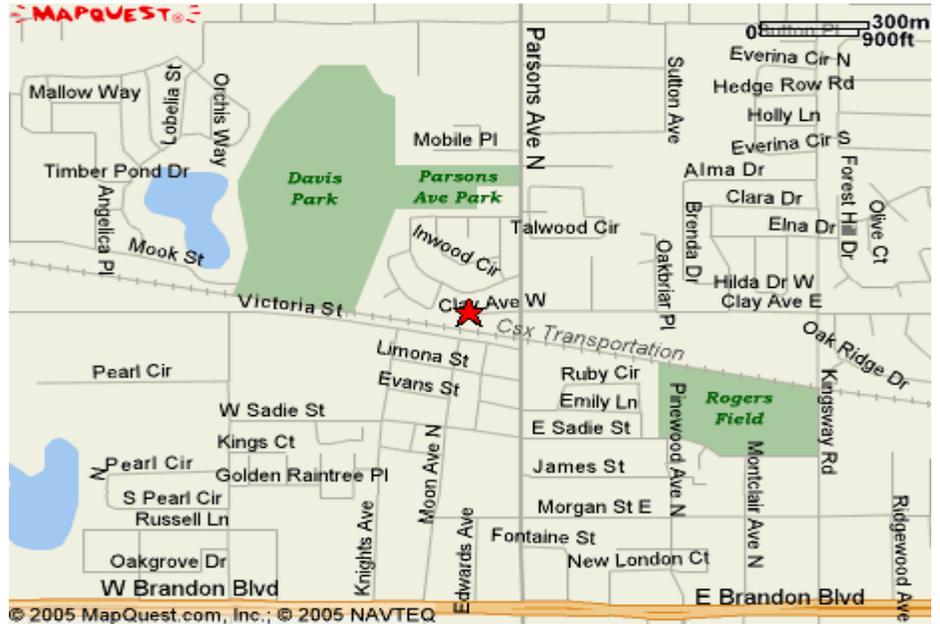
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Important Web Sites

Vietnam Veterans of American, Chapter 787, Tampa Bay Florida.....	http://www.vva787.com
Vietnam War Statistics.....	http://my.eiis.net/cmart/vietwarstats.html
Vietnam, Yesterday & Today.....	http://servercc.oakton.edu/~wittman/chronol.htm
Vietnam Veterans Legacy Foundation.....	www.vvlf.org
National League of Families of American POW's/MIA's.....	www.pow-miafamilies.org
V.V.A. National Office on the World Wide Web.....	www.vva.org
U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs.....	www.va.gov
OPM Veterans Hiring Preference.....	www.opm.gov/veterans
Uniformed Services Family Health Plan (USFHP).....	www.usfhp.com
U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims.....	www.vetapp.uscourts.gov
Children of Vietnam Vets.....	www.geocities.com/pentagon/9125
The Center for Women Veterans.....	www.va.gov/womenvet
Vietnam Women Memorial Foundation, Inc (formerly "Project").....	www.vietnamwomensmemorial.org
The Moving Wall—Vietnam Combat Veterans LTD.....	www.themovingwall.org
The Virtual Wall.....	www.virtualwall.org
Get a Copy of your DD-214 on-line.....	http://www.archives.gov/veterans/evetrecs/index.html