### Remembering Our Fallen Heroes

**Born in October**

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### Memorial Tours & Presentations

Persons interested in on-site tours or presentations at schools or organizations, contact Chuck Macaluso at 585-225-8288 or Chuckmac66@yahoo.com

### Friends of the Memorial

To be placed on the volunteer contact list, contact Chuck Macaluso at 585-225-8288 or Chuckmac66@yahoo.com
From:

Name: __________________________
Address: ________________________
City/Zip: ________________________
Phone: _________________________

The Veterans Walk Committee of Chapter 20, VVA wants to thank you for your purchase of a personalized, engraved paver brick.

Each paver brick (4” x 8”) can have from one to three lines of engraved information. The cost will be $50.00 per brick. Make checks or money order payable to: VVA Chapter 20, Veterans Walk

The engraved line(s) can include any of the following information:

- Full name
- Branch of service, rank
- Dates of service (1967-1969, etc.)
- Conflict (WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Persian Gulf, etc.)

Please print the information you would like engraved on the brick below. (Maximum of 14 letters/numbers, including spaces per line).

1. ____________________________
2. ____________________________
3. ____________________________

Return the completed form to the - Veterans Walk Committee, c/o Chuck Macaluso, 154 Mendota Drive, Rochester, New York 14626.

Include: Payment and “Proof of Service” for above recipient.

Please Note: Engraved bricks will be installed prior to Memorial Day and Veterans Day (twice annually).

* Due to natural wear and tear, bricks will be replaced once (free of charge) at the discretion of the committee.

Questions please call Chuck or Joan Macaluso as 585-225-8288
Medal of Honor Recipient William Perkins nameplate has been changed from a black background to powder blue, similar to the Medal of Honor Flag.

Perkins is the only MOH recipient among the 280 bollards located at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial of Greater Rochester. As guest travel the “Walk of Honor” they notice something different about this nametag - compelling them to read about this honored veteran. Take a look at your next visit.
There are currently new reports from the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA), the National League of Families and the DOD of two more serviceman recovered, returned and identified this month. The total number of Americans who are still missing from the Vietnam War is now at 1594.

Lt. James Burton Mills, US Navy from Bakersfield, California, was assigned to Fighter Squadron 21, CVW 2 on board the USS CORAL SEA (CVA 43) and had previously completed 148 mission over North Vietnam on his first tour. On September 21 1966 during his 2\textsuperscript{nd} tour, Lt. Mills was the Radio Interceptor Flight Officer on board a F4B Phantom II fighter jet that took off from the USS CORAL SEA along with a 2\textsuperscript{nd} aircraft on a night armed reconnaissance mission on an assigned route from Cua Can to Thach Luyen along a river adjacent to Highway 1A over North Vietnam. When the 2 aircrafts arrived at their destination, Lt. Mill’s aircraft dropped flares to illuminate the river for barges while the second aircraft bombed targets of opportunity. After this was completed, the second aircraft would drop its flares and Lt. Mill’s aircraft would drop its bombs. After the 2\textsuperscript{nd} set of flares were dropped, the 2\textsuperscript{nd} aircraft attempted to contact Lt. Mill’s aircraft without success. There were no explosions in the air or on the ground, no parachutes or distress signals were recorded. An extensive search was conducted in the area during the night and early morning with negative results. Lt. Mills and the pilot were placed on the missing in action category.

The suspected crash site was visited in 2008 and an underwater investigative team used remote sensing equipment to identify possible wreckage in shallow waters along the coastline of North Vietnam. On June 19, 2017 remains were located at the crash site and identified on August 20, 2017 as Lt. James Burton Mills. He was accounted for on August 23, 2018. He will be laid to rest with full military honors as per the family’s request at Arlington National Cemetery, just prior to the 50\textsuperscript{th} Anniversary of the National League of Families of American Prisoners and Missing most likely on June 18\textsuperscript{th} or 19\textsuperscript{th}, 2019.

Captain Richard Abbot Kibbey, US Air Force from Delmar, New York was assigned to the 38\textsuperscript{th} Air Rescue and Recovery Squadron (ARRS), 3\textsuperscript{rd} Air Rescue Group, 7\textsuperscript{th} Airforce. On February 6, 1976, Captain Kibbey was the co-pilot on board a HH-3 Jolly Green Giant Helicopter (call # Jolly Green 05). The crew with the help of another HH-3 (call # Jolly Green 36) were participating in a search and
rescue mission for a downed Air Force pilot in the Mu Gia Pass on the boarder of Laos and North Vietnam known as the gateway of the Ho Chi Minh Trail. When contact was made between the downed pilot and Jolly Green 05, Capt. Kibbey’s helicopter descended through the heavy cloud cover. The SAR helicopter successfully recovered the down pilot in minimal time. Shortly after takeoff Capt. Kippey reported that they have been hit by enemy 37 mm Anti-Aircraft -Artillery (AAA) and was on fire just below the rotor blades Capt. Kibbey’s helicopter continues south with flames streaming behind for about 1 mile just before crashing at a high rate of speed into a karst peak scattering wreckage everywhere. The weather had worsened and the SAR team for the downed Jolly Green 05 helicopter and crew was canceled. Jolly Green 36 made several passes over the crash site and notice 2 deployed parachutes. One survivor was located and rescued. The remaining crew and the downed pilot previously rescued were all reported killed in action. In 2017, a research team was investigating the possible crash site of the Jolly Green 05 when a Vietnamese farmer provide a tin that had the dog tags of Capt. Kibbey. Other remains were also recovered from the crash site. He was identified on August 6, 2018 and accounted for on August 13th. The family will attend a ceremony at Patrick Air Force Base on November 20, 2018 and final interment with military honors is still pending.

There are reports of the recoveries and identifications of individuals from the following wars.

- Aviation Chief Ordnance man Otis E. Ingram, US Navy was lost July 27, 1944 in the Republic of Palau. He was accounted for on August 8, 2018.
- Staff Sgt. Richard J. Murphy, US Marine Corps Reserves was lost July 15, 1944 in Saipan. He was accounted for on August 15, 2018
- Capt. Lester A. Schade, US Marine Corps was lost January 1, 1945 in Formosa. He was accounted for on August 15, 2018.
- Pfc Mathis O. Ball Jr, US Army was lost July 12, 1950 in North Korea. He was accounted for on August 15, 2018.
- Pfc. George L. Spangenburg, US Army was lost November 12, 1950 in North Korea. He was accounted for on August 15, 2018.
- 1st Lt. Herman L. Falk, US Army was lost February 12, 1951 in South Korea. He was accounted for on August 16, 2018.
- Pfc Morris R. Worrell, US Army was lost September 27, 1942 in the Philippines. He was accounted for on August 16, 2018.
- Pvt. William A. Boegli, US Army was lost September 30, 1944 in the Republic of Palau. He was accounted for on August 17, 2018.
- Pfc. Kenneth B. Williams, US Army was lost December 2, 1950 in North Korea. He was accounted for on August 17, 2018.
• Pharmacist’s Mate 3rd Class William H. Blancheri, US Navy Reserve was lost November 20, 1943 at Tarawa. He was accounted for on August 24, 2018.
• Sgt. Millard Odom, US Marine Corps was lost November 20, 1943 at Tarawa. He was accounted for on August 30, 2018.
• 1st Lt. Seymour P. Drovis, US Army was lost July 7, 1944 in Saipan. He was accounted for on September 4, 2018.
• Pfc. Leonard A. Tyma, US Marine Corps Reserve was lost on November 20, 1943 at Tarawa. He was accounted for on September 4, 2018.
• Sgt. 1st Class James S. Streetman Jr., US Army was lost July 22, 1950 in South Korea. He was accounted for on September 4, 2018.
• 1st Lt. John D. Crouchley Jr. US Army Air Corps was lost June 28, 1944 in Bulgaria. He was accounted for on September 4, 2018.
• Staff Sgt. Herbert W. Harms, US Army Air Corps was lost August 16, 1944 in Germany. He was accounted for on September 4, 2018.
• Tech Sgt. Robert J. Fitzgerrell, US Army was lost January 30, 1945 in Germany. He was accounted for on September 7, 2018.
• Sgt. Eugene G. McBride, US Army was lost January 30, 1945 in Germany. He was accounted for on September 12, 2018.
• The following Naval Personnel were on Board the USS Oklahoma and were lost December 7, 1941 at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii:
  William H. Blanchard, Archie T. Miles, Bert E. McKeeman, Albert U. Kane,
  Edward J. Sheldon, Wesley V. Jordan, Hale McKissack, Carl D. Dorr, Dante S. Tini,
  Richard L. Watson, Myron K. Lehman, Joseph K. Maule, Earl P. Baum, George E. Naegle, Clarence M.
  Lockwood, Robert J. Bennett, Edgar D. Gross, Bruce H. Ellison and James W. Hotzhauer. All were
  accounted for between August 15 and September 10th of 2018.

We welcome you home Brothers. It has been a long journey but you are finally home
God Bless and Rest in Peace
I would like to give a special thanks to all those who attended the candle light vigil at the memorial on Saturday September 15th. Even though the attendants was low, the ceremony was no less honorable as we read the 1594 names of those who made the ultimate sacrifice and are still missing.
VA Blue Water Claims Update 49  ►  VA Leaders Increase Effort to Sideline Legislation

Veterans Affairs leaders are increasing their efforts to sideline legislation that would extend disability benefits to “blue water” veterans from the Vietnam War, saying the move would set a problematic precedent for future complaints. “We know it is incredibly difficult to hear from Blue Water Veterans who are ailing and ill, and we have great empathy and compassion for these veterans and their families,” VA Secretary Robert Wilkie wrote in a letter to the Senate Veterans’ Affairs Committee last week. “However, we urge the committee to consider the scientific evidence, impact on other veterans, and costs associated with this legislation.”

The legislation, passed overwhelmingly by the House in June, would grant presumptive exposure status to nearly Veterans who served on the ground or on ships traveling inland waterways are already given that presumption of exposure to Agent Orange, fast-tracking their disability claims for a host of cancers and rare illnesses connected to the chemical defoliant. Advocates have argued that individuals who served on the seas just a few miles away deserve the same treatment. But VA officials have argued that the scientific-based methods they use on such cases doesn’t back up the blue water veterans requests. In their letter last week and at a Senate hearing last month, they argued the presence of Agent Orange on those ships “cannot reasonably be determined” and the presumption of exposure should not be automatically granted.

Veterans who develop the illnesses can receive medical treatment from VA regardless of their benefits status, and can still file to prove their sickness is connected to their military service. But the elderly veterans say VA has systematically denied any connection between their health and the chemical exposure for decades, even as they develop health problems that mirror veterans who served on shore. Wilkie also argued that the proposed funding for the resulting influx of new claims — a new fee of VA-backed home loans — is unfair for other veterans and insufficient to cover the expected costs. House officials had estimated the new fee would generate about $1.1 billion over 10 years, enough to pay for the blue water benefits. But Wilkie in his letter estimates the cost to be closer to $5.5 billion, including thousands more veterans who could also receive eligibility and additional costs for staff to handle the claims.

“The changes proposed in this legislation will have a greater effect beyond what we believe Congress intends,” Wilkie wrote. “The creation of a new statutory presumption that is not adequately supported by scientific evidence will encourage increased pressure on both Congress and VA to create and expand additional presumptions under a similarly liberal approach.” Wilkie’s stance is at odds with his predecessor, former VA Secretary David Shulkin, who last fall stated that the blue water veterans “shouldn’t be waiting any longer” for a solution and said that a reasonable decision on the issue “will not be guided by scientific evidence” because of the decades that have passed since the potential exposure.

Senate Veterans’ Affairs Committee officials have not made any public announcements on when the legislation may move ahead. House Veterans’ Affairs Committee ranking member Tim Walz (D-MN) called the latest VA opposition to the issue unacceptable. “Now, Blue Water Navy veterans who have been stuck waiting for 40 years could be left waiting even longer,” he said. “Our nation owes it to these veterans to get this done. “I will continue to work with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle and in both chambers to make sure that happens, even if we have to drag the administration along kicking and screaming to do so.”

If Congress fails to pass any legislation on the issue this year, VA could still be forced to award the benefits to blue water Vietnam veterans based on an ongoing lawsuit in federal court. Arguments on that proceeding aren’t expected to move forward until later this year. [Source: MilitaryTimes | Leo Shane III | September 10, 2018 ++]
VA Women Vet Programs Update 33  Wilke Pledge to Women Vets

On 7 SEP at the first annual meeting of the Military Women's Coalition, VA Secretary Robert Wilke pledged that "the VA will become a welcoming home for all those who have worn the uniform." Although he did not give specifics, he indicated that improvements in mental health and primary care for women would be on the agenda. He said that in order to fulfill his pledge the VA would change the way it does business. One way of doing that he said was to install more diverse leadership at the VA. He noted that last month retired Air Force Col. Pamela Powers became his chief of staff. According to a report on Military.com, women now make up about 13 percent of active duty forces, and Wilkie said he expected that number could rise to about 20 percent in coming years. "This is your Veterans Affairs department. The doors are open we will be making changes to make sure that the needs of our fighting women are taken care of," Wilkie said. A statement released to the press explained that the purpose of the Military Women's Coalition is to "elevate the voices of the 2.2 million current service women and women veterans to bring about policy and culture change within the military and the veteran communities."

[Source: TREA Newsletter | September 9, 2018 ++]

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VA Community Care Update 01  Steps to Access | Three

Veterans may be eligible to receive care from a provider outside of VA in their community when VA cannot provide the care you need. This type of care is known as "community care," and is paid for by VA. Although some changes have taken place with community care recently, Veterans continue to have access to this type of care. The process starts at your VA medical facility. Follow the steps below to see if you're eligible:

1. Go to VA
   - Schedule an appointment with a VA provider.
   - Your VA care team will work with you to see if you are eligible for community care.
   - Eligibility is based on your medical needs, care that is available at VA, and other requirements.
   - Important: Make sure VA confirms you are eligible and authorized before going to the next step.

2. Make an appointment
   - VA will work with you to find a community provider and make an appointment.
   - You can select a community provider or VA can select one for you.
   - Important: The community provider selected must be in VA's network and be willing to accept payment from VA.

3. Receive Care
   - Arrive promptly for your appointment.
   - Important: If you need to schedule a follow-up appointment, check with your community provider to make sure VA authorized the care. If VA did not authorize the care, your community provider should contact VA to arrange the care you need.

You will likely have questions about these steps. See the list of Frequently Asked Questions. If you have questions about your specific circumstances, contact your nearest VA medical facility. If you have a question about the Veterans Choice Program, contact (866) 606-8198. You can also call the VA Adverse Credit Helpline at (877) 881-7618 for help resolving adverse credit reporting and debt collection issues from using the Veterans Choice Program. Visit https://www.va.gov/COMMUNITYCARE/programs/veterans/index.asp for more information. [Source: TREA Newsletter | September 11, 2018 ++]

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VA Class Action Lawsuits Update 01  What Happens Now That Vets Can File

A recent federal court ruling allowing class-action suits against the Department of Veterans Affairs could lead to a host of new legal options for veterans who share similar illnesses, service records or bureaucratic headaches. “It is a watershed moment,” said Greg Rinckey, a founding partner of the law firm Tully Rinckey PLLC, which specializes in military law. “For veterans dealing with Gulf War illness or Agent Orange claims … this makes it easier for them to fight against big government.”

On 23 AUG an eight-judge panel on the U.S. Court of Veterans Appeals ruled that in “appropriate cases,” class-action lawsuits against VA will be allowed. In the ruling, Chief Judge Robert Davis wrote that he hopes the decision will “shape our jurisprudence for years to come and … bring about positive change for our nation’s veterans.” Previous court rulings had questioned long-standing precedent prohibiting such group lawsuits, even as other class-action filings have been brought against other federal entities. Rinckey said the move makes it possible for a group of veterans with similar grievances to use their numbers to put pressure on VA, and win legal relief. “For an individual vet, this doesn’t change anything,” he said. “But it opens a whole new type of cases that can be brought against VA, and how those veterans complaints can be answered.”

The irony of the appeals court ruling is that the case which allowed class-action lawsuits to move forward — Monk v. Wilkie — denied the plaintiff’s claim that his case should proceed as one. The panel ruled his desire to group together all veterans facing a wait of more than a year for appeals claims did not meet previously established standards for forming a class. Catherine McCarthy, a student at the Veterans Legal Services Clinic at Yale Law School who handled the Monk lawsuit, said officials there are still considering whether to refile the case with new parameters. But she said the ruling provides a roadmap for a host of other legal complaints. In several other clinic cases, plaintiffs have already eyed class-action suits for veterans who were exposed to toxic chemicals while serving, and for veterans whose benefits cases are stuck in bureaucratic processing. “It’s still trial and error at this point to see what will work,” she said. “But it’s a great opportunity, because so much of what we hear wrong about VA are systemic problems, not just one veteran dealing with a single issue.”

John Rowan, national president of Vietnam Veterans of America, said when he first heard of the court ruling, his first thoughts turned to the ongoing Agent Orange fights between his membership and VA. The department has a long-list of rare cancers and other illnesses connected to exposure with the chemical defoliants during the Vietnam War, allowing veterans to receive expedited consideration for benefits. But Rowan said some veterans who served in the region are excluded from that presumptive status — including so-called “blue water” veterans who served in ships off the coast of Vietnam — and others have rare medical problems like brain cancer not covered in existing department policies. A class-action suit by either of those groups might force VA policy changes. “The good thing is once there is a court ruling, it’s a done deal,” he said. “If the court orders them to make a change, there’s no budget aspect to it like there is with legislative fixes.”

Rinckey said veterans dealing with burn pit exposure illnesses and other toxic chemical exposure from the recent wars could also use the new legal avenues to force VA changes. But one thing the new legal precedent won’t alter is the timeline for these type of lawsuits to be resolved. “VA moves very slow on these issues, but so do the courts,” he said. “And now you’ll have to establish a class, support that and then argue for a fix. It’s a lot of time and expense, so you won’t see every small law firm jumping on this.”  [Source: MilitaryTimes | Leo Shane III | August 30, 2018 ++]
Membership Update
Mike General Membership Chair

Chapter 20 Membership currently is at 624 members and AVVA is at 40 members as of 08/31/18. Membership has been growing slow (only 4 new members in the last month), We need your help in recruiting new members. Don’t forget to renew on time. Don’t let your membership expire. We had 3 members who did not renew this last month and 5 members who passed away.

Please Renew Your Membership!

All Life Memberships are $100.00

If you a renewing as a “Life Member”, please remember to include a copy of your DD-214 with your application.
When you have an address change, please notify Mike General so we can keep our Roster up to date and notify National.

Need your help in recruiting new members.

Chapter 20 Membership is open to U.S. Veterans who served active duty (other than training purposes) in the Republic of Vietnam between February 28, 1961 and May 07, 1975, or any duty location between August 05, 1964 and May 07, 1975.
Membership includes a subscription to our award-winning newspaper The BTL, and The VVA Veteran, bringing you updates on issues and legislation affecting veterans, as well as unique articles on the people, places, and history of the Vietnam experience.

Associate Membership is open to anyone; you do not need to be a Veteran.

WE Need New Members!

Membership Applications are available on our Website or by contacting me. (<a>mwgeneral@aol.com</a>)
We are offering an “Honorary Membership” to Chapter 20 to all spouses who husbands have passed away. If you know of someone who has lost their loved one, please contact Mike General.

Mike
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 20

Name: ________________________________ Date of Birth: ________________ Sex ( )M ( )F

Address: ____________________________________

Home Phone: (555) __________________________

City: _______________________________________

Work Phone: (555) __________________________

Zip: ___________ County: ____________________

Email Address: ____________________________

I am not a Vietnam Veteran, but I want to help Vietnam Veterans and their families.
Please accept my donation:
( ) $10 ( ) $20 ( ) $50 Other ($__________)


Term: ( ) 1 Year $20 ( ) 3 Years $50 ( ) Life Membership $100

VVA is a non-profit veterans service organization.
Programs and services are funded by member dues and public donations.

Return this application, along with a copy of your DD214 to:

Chapter 20, Vietnam Veterans of America
P.O. Box 12580
Rochester, NY 14612

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Highlights of the September Membership Meeting
130 people attended

1st time at the Meeting, Art Neuchevi, Army ’67 - ’68

Guest Tony Salamone, Army ’66 - ‘68

Richard Stewart receives an $800 donation from Chapter 20 for Honor Flight

Flag drawing winner, Lynn Gursslin

Winner of the 50/50 drawing, Ken Moore
Doug Walcott had a lot of friends. Friends who wanted to do something special for him after he passed this year so they started a funding page and were overwhelmed with donations. His friends thought a bench overlooking the canal in Brockport would be a fitting memorial and so they dedicated the bench to the town in Doug’s name. The donations kept coming in, enough so that they presented Chapter 20 with a check for $2500 and purchased a brick on the Memorial walkway in Doug’s name. The friends also donated $2,450 to the endowment fund to maintain the Memorial Park. Here’s to great Friends!
The Chapter was also presented with a generous donation from Lee Kauffman’s estate for $30,000. Thank you, Lee, you will always be remembered.
HAPPY BIRTHDAY AIRFORCE

Can’t take the Marine out of the Man!
Working hard at the Spencerport Canal Days. L-R Jack Madigan, Fred Elliott, Joan Sanfilippo, Mike Sanfilippo and Ken Allocco.
911 Remembrance Celebration
VETERANS OUTREACH CENTER, IN CONJUNCTION WITH
THE MONROE COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE AGENCY &
VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA, CHAPTER 20,
INVITE YOU TO ATTEND

9-11 Remembrance Ceremony
Wednesday, September 11, 2018
11:00 AM

Vietnam Veterans Memorial of Greater Rochester
1440 South Avenue - Rochester, New York 14620

Please RSVP via phone or email to
Matthew McGee 383-293-7910
Lindsay Chambers 383-293-7804
vocdevelopment@vocroc.org
3rd Annual Louie's Run
OCTOBER 20\textsuperscript{TH} AND 21\textsuperscript{ST}

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT CHRISTINE’S 35th Anniversary Extravaganza
CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW.

http://christinemovie35thanniversaryevent.com/#vietnamwar
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**Monthly Membership Meetings start at 6:30 pm**

*At the Italian American Sports Club, 1250 Buffalo Road, Rochester*

**Driving Directions to the Italian American Sports Club:**

The Club is located at 1250 Buffalo Road close to the intersection of Howard Road, directly across from the stone quarry, next to the Eagles Club and the Catholic Diocese of Rochester.

From the East: Heading west on 490, exit Mt. Read Blvd. and turn left; south on Mt. Read to Buffalo Road circle, turn right, west on Buffalo Road, 1.4 miles, the Italian-American Sports Club is on the right side.

From the West: Heading east on 490, exit 33 east, Buffalo Road (Gates Center); head east on Buffalo Road; continue past Howard Road; the Italian-American Sports Club will be on the left side in about .5 mile.
Your business card could be here. Contact Chapter Treasurer, Alan Frisa (afrisa@rochester.rr.com), for details.
Lexophile describes those that have a love for words, such as “You can tune a piano, but you can’t tune fish” or “To write with a broken pencil is pointless.”

- No matter how much you push the envelope, it’ll still be stationery.
- If you don’t pay your exorcist, you can get repossessed.
- I’m reading a book about anti-gravity. I just can’t put it down.
- I didn’t like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.
- When you get a bladder infection, urine trouble.

By all means, marry. If you get a good wife, you’ll become happy; if you get a bad one, you’ll become a philosopher.
- Socrates

I was married by a judge. I should have asked for a jury.
- Groucho Marx

My wife has a slight impediment in her speech. Every now and then she stops to breathe.
- Jimmy Durante

I have never hated a man enough to give his diamonds back.
- Zsa Zsa Gabor

A bookseller conducting a market survey asked a woman – “Which book has helped you most in your life?”
The woman replied – “My husband’s cheque book!!”

A prospective husband in a book store “Do you have a book called, ‘Husband – the Master of the House’?
Sales Girl : “Sir, Fiction and Comics are on the 1st floor!”.

Someone asked an old man : “Even after 70 years, you still call your wife – Darling, Honey, Luv. What’s the secret ?
Old man : I forgot her name and I’m scared to ask her.
In Memory Donations

When the simple act of placing flowers on a casket or placing stones on a headstone does not seem to be enough to honor the memory of a special someone who has passed away, one may choose to make a donation in his or her honor to commemorate the values and beliefs of the deceased. Chapter 20 VVA is committed to recognizing the sacrifices made by all military personnel in every branch of the armed forces. The memory of the deceased veteran is honored in the continuous work and service carried out by the dedicated Chapter members and associates. The monetary donations sent by individuals help make it possible to continue serving veterans and their families. The combined efforts of donors, lawmakers, members, and associates have far-reaching effects on the quality of all our lives.

Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 20 offers several ways of commemorating a special person. One of those ways is the Memorial Walk at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial at Highland Park. The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Walk is a pathway of bricks inscribed with the names of individuals who have served their country with valor. Their names will forever remain a reminder of the dedication and tenacity demonstrated by the thousands of men and women who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces.

If you wish to make a monetary donation directly to Chapter 20 in support of all the functions and services they provide to veterans and their families, send your check or money order payable to Chapter 20, VVA:

Vietnam Veterans of America
Chapter 20
P.O. Box 12580
Rochester, NY 14612

Could someone you know be in crisis?
The VA’s National Suicide Crisis Line
1-800-273-TALK or 1-800-273-8255
24/7 365 days per year
Provides professional counseling to veterans, their family members or friends.

Do you know a veteran who is homeless?
The VA’s National Homeless Veterans Hotline
1-877-424-3838
24/7 365 days per year
VA Health Care Benefits
Contacts and References

E-Benefits Portal Site
https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits-portal/ebenefits.portal

Enrollment/Eligibility
http://www.va.gov/healtheligibility
Health Resource Center  1-877-222-8387 (VETS)

OEF / OIF
http://www.oefoif.va.gov

Women Veterans
http://www.va.gov/womenvet
Benefits Line  1-855-829-6636

Dental Care

Copays
http://www1.va.gov/CBO/brochures.asp
Health Resource Center  1-877-222-8387

Suicide Prevention Hotline
1-800-273-8255 (TALK)

Prosthetics
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Veterans Administration 800-827-1000
Monroe County Veterans Service Agency 753-6040
e-mail: serviceofficer@yahoo.com
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VA Hospital in Buffalo 716-834-9200
VA Medical Center in Canandaigua 394-2000
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Vietnam Veterans of America National Office 800-882-1316
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POW/MIA Updates 202-223-6846
Richards House at VOC 506-9060
The Resource Center at VOC 546-4250
Stars & Stripes – The Flag Store 546-3524
National Caregivers Support Line 855-260-3274
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