

Museum News

May 2017



8th Annual Honoring of the Wall

Join us as we honor the 8 men, whose names were added to the Vietnam Memorial Wall in Washington last year, by adding their names to our replica Memorial Wall. See the schedule inside.

**PFC Michael G. Frey, Army, Florissant, MO, Panel 21W
Row 115**

**SP4 James S. McGough, Army, Fort Dodge, IA, Panel 04W
Row 045**

**SP5 Jimmy L. Smith, U.S. Army, Wasco, IL, Panel 17W
Row 092**

**LCPL Jeffrey R. Barber, USMC, Denver, CO, Panel 21W
Row 001**

**LCPL Chester A. Lederhouse Jr, USMC, Ramsonville, NY,
Panel 19E Row 125**

**PFC Lee A. Rawn, USMC Lake Worth, FL, Panel 16E
Row 056**

**LCPL John D. Stenhouse, USMC, Spokane, WA, Panel 58W
Row 010**

**ENC Leonard Outlaw, Coast guard. Grandy, NC, Panel 03W
Row 052**

These nine service members will have their status changed from MIA to KIA:

**Donald G. Carr; MAJ, USA; San Antonio, TX, Panel 3W,
Row 101**

**Richard C. Clark; LT, USN; Tacoma, WA, Panel 28E,
Row 59**

**Kenneth L. Cunningham; SSGT, USA; Ellery, IL, Panel 17W,
Row 33**

**Rodney L. Griffin; SGT, USA; Centralia, MO, Panel 11W,
Row 85**

Billy D. Hill; SFC, USA; Fallon, NV, Panel 35E, Row 6

**James W. Holt; MSGT, USA; Hot Springs, AR, Panel 37E,
Row 84**

**Edwin E. Morgan; CMSGT, USAF; Salisbury, NC, Panel 6E,
Row 4**

**Bunyan D. Price Jr.; SSGT, USA; Belmont, NC, Panel 11W,
Row 87**

**Dale W. Richardson; MAJ, USA; Cashton, WI, Panel 11W,
Row 87**



Visit our Vietnam Memorial Wall replica!

MAY 27, 2017 9:45 A.M.
THE NATIONAL VIETNAM WAR MUSEUM
12685 MINERAL WELLS HWY. (HWY. 180)
1 MILE EAST OF MINERAL WELLS, TX

Sponsorships Available!

Become a sponsor of this event - send a check or credit card info to: The National Vietnam War Museum, P.O. Box 1779, Weatherford, TX 76088.

Sponsorship opportunities:

Medal of Honor \$1000 (8 seats included)
Army Distinguished Service Cross \$500 (6 seats)
Navy Cross \$250 (4 seats included)

Sponsors will have reserved seats in the tent and be recognized at the event and in the museum newsletter.

Reserved Seating Available

A limited number of reserved seats at the front of the big tent with an excellent view of ceremony are available for only \$50.

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Title Sponsor: Mineral Wells Walmart



Program of Activities

(Times are approximate.)

- 08:00 - Gates open; vendors set up,
- 09:45 - Patriot Guard Arrives - Join us to welcome them.
- 10:00 - Welcome - Jim Messinger
- 10:05 - Invocation - BG James Spivey USA Ret Museum Chaplain.
- 10:10 - Post colors - Color Guard VFW District 21
- 10:15 - Pledge of Allegiance
- 10:20- National Anthem - Monica Harvey, Lil Sis
- 10:25 - Welcome Home Monica Harvey, Lil Sis
- 10:30 - Introductions: Sponsors, special guests, museum board & volunteers, and Master Gardeners.
- 10:35 - Introduction of Guest Speaker
- 10:40 - Remarks by Guest Speaker - Captain Odditt USCG, LTC Charlie Zinger LTC USMC (Ret)
- 11:00 - Recognition of the MIA status change. Recognition of additions. Closing comments. Ceremony will close with rifle salute and taps. But first, Don Payne will sing "More than a Name on the Wall"
- 11:15 - The Army Song - Raising the U.S. Army flag; Marine Hymn, raising of the Marine flag Coast Guard Song, Raising of the Coast Guard Flag Unveiling of the updated Memorial Wall panels
- 11:20 - Rifle Salute - Denton VVA Post 920
- 11:30 - Taps - Denton VVA Post 920
- 11:45 - Visit the Wall, our vendors, and the Visitor Center. Current Exhibit - POW Camps of the Vietnam War.

What have you done this year.

So far, you have raised the funds for the new facility to over \$500,000. Our newest exhibit POW Camps of the Vietnam War was created and will be on display through June 3. Also, you paid the bills. A few minor artifacts have been added, Our annual Honoring of the Wall is ready to go May 27.

**You are the people making this project succeed. More events are planned for the remainder of 2017
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.**

Builders Club Members & Status

JoAnn Barnhart, Charles & Dorothy Bogle, Brazos Foundation
 Baum-Carlock-Bumgardner Funeral Home,
 The Carl E. Kessler Family Foundation,
 John & Monica Chesnut, Katie Daniels, Betty Boyd Dettre,
 Fort Wolters Chapter VHPA, John & Carol Hyatt
 In Honor & Memory of Richard C. Allen (Laine Perry)
 Edd & Gloria Luttenberger,
 Norman D and Margaret N McMullen, Jim & Iola Messinger,
 Bill & Judy Murphy, John, James, & Su Nasche
 Dave & Lorraine Pashby, Don & Leigh Payne
 Jerry & Letta Staggs, VFW Post 2399, Allan & Helen Werst
 Barbara Wheeler (In Memory of CW4 Michael J Wheeler)



The thermometer tells the whole story. We are over halfway counting a challenge grant by Frederick W. Smith (CEO of FEDEX). We needed 100 donors of \$10,000 when we started this campaign March 28, 2015. In just two years we have come halfway and now only need 50 more donors to join our Builders Club (\$10,000 donation), and we will be done. Now is the time to join as individuals or groups.

Coming Events

May 6 - Classic Cars Club visits the museum

May 27 - Honor the wall - Details in this Newsletter.

June 24 - ribbon cutting 10th Anniversary of museum opening (June 2 2007)

Friends of the Museum 2017 Fundraiser Early Arrivals



The attendees were entertained by Jay Fiske at the auction, and later by Bob Hope, Jimmy Durante, Red Skelton, Klem Kadiddlehopper, Jack Benny, and Marilyn Monroe. What a great cast from the past. NRH Centre was wonderful and the food was 5 star. I heard the bar was good too, but I never got there.

Our goal that night was to raise \$20,000. The Friends of the Museum normally raise about \$10,000 for the museum operating expenses and this year we set a goal of \$20,000 so that the Friends could join the Builders Club with the other \$10,000. Thanks to all of you for accomplishing this task!!!!

Sponsors this year were:

GOLD Richard & Anne Hanson, Don & Leigh Payne, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7835)

SILVER Gary Kearby, Knights of Columbus Holy Spirit Council 7264, Ventamatic Ltd.

BRONZE Fran Acosta Carlson, JoAnn Barnhart, Don & Diane Brawley, Ron Dukes, Bob Ford, Mike & Janet Holland, Melba Mahoney, Gail Morgan, Robert E. Payne LTC (Ret), Bob Poland, Jan Ramert, Pat & Betty Richardson, Sanna & Paul Roling, Thomas Spencer,

COPPER Connie & Alex Beloff III, Butch & Donna Benson, Nancy Britton, Ron & Penny Chandler, Rick & Carole Couch, Doris Cox, Skip & Marty Humphrey, Ted & Loree Long, John Mackel, Barry & Annie McHenry, Phillip McMillen, Norm & Margaret McMullen, Kingsley Munday, Noll Custom Metal Inc, Scott Paternoster, Ben Priddy, Gary Salisbury, Wayne & Ginny Sanderson, Debbie & Steve Smith, John Storbeck, Texas Association of Vietnam Veterans, Charles Thompson).

Founders Association

Welcome our newest members, Connie & Alex Beloff III, Bonnie Ellis, Barbara Gallagher, Stanley Jaworski, Sanna & Paul Roling, Terry D Rusher, Michael D. Rusher, Donald E. Rusher, Joseph & Jolene Walker, We're at 170 members now, and there is no limit on how many can join.

Just send a check or credit card info to PO Box 146, Mineral Wells, TX 76068. \$1,000 or more gets you on the list. The Founders are people who share our vision for building The National Vietnam War Museum. This category will end at the groundbreaking for the new building.

As a special incentive, the Founders Association funds will go into the building fund.



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Central Exhibit in Gallery Number 1 Introduction (planned)

