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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This has been an exciting year for us, thus far. The greatest accomplishment has been our website. Through the unselfish effort and determination of Jim Bury (B Co 67-68) and his brother, Roger (USAF Veteran), our website is up and running. Check us out at: [www.ivydragons.org](http://www.ivydragons.org). Included on our website, are the following: **Home**, which explains who we are and why the website; **Sit Rep**, which lists upcoming events and copies of previous issues of the *Ivy Dragoon Dispatch*; **Tribute**, which lists our Brothers, alphabetically and chronologically, who made the ultimate sacrifice during their service to our country. It also, lists our Brothers who have passed away since returning from Vietnam; **AAR**, lists the copies of After Action Reports and Daily Officers' Logs that we maintain in our archives; **Roster**, which lists our members, alphabetically and by company, of over 600 Dragoons who served with the battalion in RVN from 1966 - 1970. As a note, it only lists name, company and dates in-country; **Guestbook**, which allows you to post an entry if you are looking for information or for someone in particular; **Forum**, which allows you to post messages/replies to specific subjects; **Contact**, which gives points of contact for our chapter and webmaster, as well as, a membership application which can be downloaded; and **Links**, which will give you a direct link to other websites of interest.

Since our last newsletter, Spring/2004, we have seen several mini-reunions being held to reunite “old soldiers” and renew the bonds created so many years ago. These mini-reunions have been/are usually company/platoon specific. More details on the mini-reunions can be found in this edition of the newsletter. Many cannot attend the battalion reunions, for various reasons. The mini-reunions give our Brothers the opportunity to get together with those they served. I would like to see more “localized” battalion mini-reunions. For example, I live in So. Calif. There are about 15-20 of us who live within a 60 mile radius. While I see or have some kind of contact with several, we should try to get together every quarter for lunch/dinner/BarBQue or some kind of get-together. This holds true in other geographical areas, ie: The Lehigh Valley, PA; St. Louis, MO; the greater Seattle, WA area and NYC, et al. Any suggestions would be welcomed.

Also, we have added over 25 Brothers to our roster since the beginning of the year. In addition, we continue to hear from family members of our Brothers who made the supreme sacrifice in their pursuit of gaining additional information on the circumstances around their loved ones death or in just making contact with someone who knew them. And that, my Brothers, is one of the reasons for our organization.

Lastly, I urge all of you to get regular medical checkups, either through the benefits you earned through the VA system or through your private doctors. We need to be checked for prostate cancer, diabetes, Hepatitis C to name a few. And if you have never been checked for Agent Orange exposure, I suggest you consult your nearest VA facility and have this done.

My Best Wishes to Y'all

Steve “Ed” Edmunds

President, Ivy Dragoons Chapter 4IDA

C/3/8 RVN 5/67-5/68

## Presidential Unit Citation...

The chapter has received two files from Bob Walkowiak, B Co 67-68. According to this information, the battalion was awarded the Presidential Unit Citation for the “9 Days of May, 1967” and “Dak To, Nov. 1967”. We will attempt to confirm the accuracy of these citations. Additional research may be required. Submitted by Jim Bury, B Co 67-68.

## Gift Shop Closed...

I have been advised by Ted Kostich that the Gift Shop located in the 4ID Museum Building @ Ft. Hood, Texas has been closed and there are no plans to reopen it. Please pass this information on to your membership.

*Ray Dunkel*

Senior Vice President  
N4IDA

## Delta Co Mini-reunion...

Several members of Delta Co. RVN 68-69 got together for a mini-reunion in Florida. Special thanks to Richard Ciavarra for giving up one day's pay to show his VN slides at John (Frenchy) Roy's sister's ranch on Saturday, 5/8/04. In attendance were John Roy, Michael Boxer, Richard C. Anne Zimmer (Frenchy's sister), Tom Zimmer (brother in law), Polly Boxer, Ada Daugherty and Mike Daugherty. Special appreciation for not picking on me. It was great to see everybody. Anne and Tom have a beautiful ranch house, horses and dogs. We all had a great time. Michael Boxer comments, "Richard C. must have worked for Life magazine back in NAM cause he produced a wonderful slide show of about 200 slides taken back then, not sure how he managed this but glad he did and shared them with us". He further states, "It was really great anytime we can do this."

Submitted by (Capt) Mike Daugherty D/3/8 RVN 68-69

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## Ford By The Tigris...

For those of you who attended the reunion in Las Vegas in 2003, you may recall some of the door prizes were dimmer switches provided by Lutron Electronics. Lutron is one of the manufacturers that the company I work for represent. Those dimmers were provided through the efforts of one of their employees, Brook Ford. Brook was on inactive reserve and volunteered to go active to play his part in Iraqi Freedom. I wanted to share the following e-mail that I received from him while serving in Iraq.



*B. Ford by the Tigris River, Iraq*

Hi Steve,  
How are you? It was great to hear from you and I really appreciate the care package that SCI sent to me. I haven't received it yet but it can several take weeks to get here so please tell everyone thanks! Things here are going

well. I'm living in the heart of Baghdad near Assassin's Gate in the Green Zone. My company has been assigned escort and security missions for the Coalition Provisional Authority (CPA). We have protected Ambassadors, Generals, VIP's as well as several of the newly designated Iraqi leaders. Oliver North and Sec. Rumsfeld were here a few weeks back. Basically the guys they want to kill the most are the guys we escort each day... It keeps things lively to say the least. My job takes me all over Iraq on a weekly basis. I've been to Baghdad, Fallujah, Najaf, Al Hilla, Al Diwaniyah, Karbala, Kirkush, and the Iranian border. We've encountered several IED (roadside bomb) attacks, 2 ambushes where they used a combination of IED, RPG and direct fire and we've witnessed multiple rocket and artillery attacks along with vehicle borne IED's which have done the most damage. I have seen several 4th ID patches here in town on walls, bridges, and many of the checkpoints. I can tell you that they are well thought of and they did a great job while they were here. Everytime I see a guy with a 4th ID combat patch I make a point to talk to him. A lot of those guys came home and then PCS'd to other units, like the 1st CAV DIV, and ended up getting sent right back to Iraq. I've run into several Namvets that are serving here. I have two in my company alone. My 1SG did four tours in Nam (one with 1st CAV and 3 with SF). The other guy did a tour with the 101st ABN. I'll attach a few photos to this message. I hope all is well with you. Take care.

*Ford*



## Vietnam Memorial Mural...

Here are a couple of Vietnam Memorial Mural pictures that were dedicated Veterans Day 2003 in my hometown of Visalia, CA.

(Submitted by John Perez C/3/8 5/68-4/69)



## “Ben Het at Dusk” ...

It is still, now.

A breeze brings coolness as we stand  
where soldiers once built sanctuaries of sandbags.  
Clouds shadow the place where steel flew  
and imagination tormented.

We look down at the expanse of green  
Hiding old memories,  
Covering the tortured earth, all except the airstrip’s skeleton.  
The red clay of the airstrip’s ruins, long bare of its metal surface  
glows brighter as the light fades.

Across the road and beyond the stream, mountains rise,  
their tops hidden by clouds.

Those who walked among them are now memories,  
ghosts who wait to be invoked,  
recalled to life by us who once knew them.

They are gone now, all of them,  
both to death and to life;  
those in bunkers who faced the mountains,  
and their enemies moving quietly through the forest.  
Gone the fear, gone the misery, gone the pain.

In their place, settlers have built houses by the road.  
Peace has come, and peace’s possibilities.  
As night falls, families share food in lighted rooms.

In nearby towns red posters celebrate victories and heroes.  
The young hope they too may one day know such glory.

*Jackson H. Day*

HHC/3/8 7/68-6/69 Bn Chaplain

June 4, 2004

I’m in Hanoi at the moment— wrapping up my return to Vietnam trip. Others might appreciate this poem I wrote several days ago when we visited the Dak To and Ben Het sites:



Seated L to R: “Skip” Franges, Bob Brown, and Monte “Doc” Lunde  
Standing L to R: Steve “Ed” Edmunds, Wonnie “Pappy” Harris, Pat McClelland and Gary “Hollie” Holliman

## Charlie Co - 2nd Platoon Mini-Reunion...

Over the weekend of June 25 - 27, members of 2nd platoon RVN 67-68 gathered in Colorado Springs for a mini-reunion to join in fellowship with their former platoon sergeant, 1SGT Wonnie “Pappy” Harris, Ret. Attending were the following: (LT) Charles “Skip” Franges & Debbie Higgins Weaver; Pat & Lynda McClelland; Gary “Hollie” Holliman; Bob “Charlie Brown” & Brenda Brown; Monte “Doc” Lunde & Lizz Zierer; and Steve “Ed” & Elsie Edmunds. While the rest of us have been together before, at various reunions, this was the first time “Pappy” had seen any of us since we left in 1968. “Pappy” and his lovely wife, Shirley, opened their home to us where we spent the majority of our time renewing old bonds. We went through photo albums and reminisced about the time we spent together so many years ago. We reflected on the good times, as well as, the bad times. Debbie provided each of us with an engraved Zippo lighter as a memento of the occasion. We met their

daughter, Sherry, in addition to many other family members and friends. On Sunday, those of us that were still there accompanied “Pappy” and Shirley to church where we met their church family, as we were warmly received. During the course of the festivities, “Pappy” indicated to us that this weekend was the greatest gift he had received in the last 40 years. And he looks forward to joining us in Las Vegas in 2005. None of this would have taken place, if it were not for the efforts of Byron Adams, D Co 68-69, who played a major part in locating “Pappy” and has earned the title “Super Sleuth”.

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER...

Mother's Day, Memorial Day, Father's Day and Independence Day are all celebrated close to each other, with each having its own significance.

Memorial Day passed and my uncle Jim who was a POW in WW II at the Battle of the Bulge left to join his comrades in Christ in Glory. Never did he receive much recognition nor did he want any. My father was at Ft. Hood ready to ship out when WW II ended. How swiftly that so-called "Greatest Generation" is passing.

I look around and see another great generation of heroes, swiftly aging, who are graying and thinning in hair and seem to be starting to leave us almost as quickly.

Recently, within the last two years, I've helped in funeral ceremonies of three Vietnam vets who left too early. Families and children left behind because of hepatitis, Agent Orange lung failure and cancer. Independence Day is, swiftly, approaching and our independence is still being threatened. With the massacre of our citizens in the Persian Gulf area and our finest losing life and limb so we can enjoy a "cheerful holiday picnic in the park". Thank God for a few who are still willing to defend freedom.

Let us, as a nation "Under God" never forget to pray daily for those in harm's way. Pray for the sacrifice of the wives and children who are worried at home and let us ever be reminded that God still answers prayers. James 5:16... "the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."

Pray for President Bush and all of our leaders to stand strong in the adversary's face. Proverbs 14:34... "righteousness (right-ness) exalteth a nation; but sin is a reproach to any people."

Pray with me today that God would forgive our sin and spiritual unfaithfulness as a people. Let us not forget God's promise clear in 2 Chronicles 7:14... "if my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways; then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sins, and will heal their land." Thanks to Byron Adams, last quarter, for filling in for me.

God Bless America!

*Brother Ed Pippin, B Co. 3/8th RVN '67*



L to R: R. Degrave, R. Sparks & B. Mitchell 1967

## Mini-Reunion...

On Sunday, April 25, 2004 former members of 2nd platoon Charlie Co, Rea "Sparky" Sparks and Ross Degrave, got together for a few days. Until recently, they had no contact with each other since their tours in 67-68. Ross and his wife, Linda drove down from their home in Wisconsin to renew old friendships established many years ago with Rea and his wife, Betty who reside in Oklahoma. On Monday morning, Rea took Ross to see the farm while Linda and Betty stayed home, visiting. Rea and Betty took Ross and Linda to see The Western Heritage Hall of Fame (formerly known as, The Cowboy Hall of Fame) on Monday afternoon. Tuesday morning Rea and Ross went to Midwest City with Clarence Culbreath, another Purple Heart veteran (1/8 4th Inf. Div. December 1968-May 1969). Tuesday afternoon, Rea, Betty and grand baby, Wade and Ross and Linda went to see the Oklahoma City National Memorial and Museum (the bombing site). Wednesday morning after a big breakfast, Ross and Linda left, continuing their vacation to Louisville, Kentucky to watch the Kentucky Derby Horse Race. Rea says, "We had a lot of good visiting time and it was great seeing him after all these years".

Submitted by Rea "Sparky" Sparks, C/3/8 67

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## Delta Co Mini-Reunion Held in St Louis

After 37 years this ol' grunt got together with 3 of his buddies in St. Louis for a week. I had wished for the others that were invited to be there, but so many interferences and schedules conflicted that it was impossible for all to attend. However, the four old soldiers—Joe Hennisey, Glen Mays, Joe McCaster, and ol' Byron made up for lost time. We're going to try and get together this coming Aug. in Kansas City for a ball-game, too. Needless to say, but it was a great "I needed that" reunion. Seeing those ol' soldiers made one appreciate what we did so many years ago, and was so great to see that they were greying and aching just like Byron. Just meeting their wives and hearing the stories about their families solidified the bonding that occurred in basic, A.I.T., and Nam. As Daniel Grzyb once said—"Byron, you're a sentimental ass-hole." He's right! However, to clarify that statement and to understand what has happened in the last 5 years one has to look at the past. In 5 years I have found Water Gross, Daniel Grzyb, Mike Anderson, Terry Bell, Jim Voshell, Glen Chambers, Rick Brannon, Wayne Brown, Jerry Alford, Bob White, the family of Larry Pennel, Joe Hennisey, Glen Mays, Joe McCaster, and a few others. These guys were all good Americans when it wasn't cool to be a soldier and a patriot, but they answered the call of Uncle Sam and didn't wane in their service to their country. They all suffered and many are still suffering from that war, just as those that preceded them in the other wars, yet they've become proud and honorable in knowing they did one "hell of a job". No flags, no parades, name calling of baby killers were slung—yet they survived and became symbols of a greater and better America. My hats off to all those ol' grunts that served so long ago in Viet Nam. Maybe we all became better people and our government and society learned from this unpopular war. The Berlin wall is down, the old Communism has crumbled, new technology that was learned in Viet Nam now saves lives in Iraq—no, we didn't need parades and waving flags to welcome us home. We had each other. That's what these reunions are all about—to renew a bonding of our youth, to wave these pictures of our children and grandchildren—we've created our own parade of dreams. Our world is a better world because of the Mays, Grzybs, Brannons, and those that didn't make it home. I'll walk point, anyday, for those old soldiers.

Byron Kinnan, D/3/8 67-68, 20 June 04

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### Chapter Update:

Currently, we have had about 80% of our membership renew their annual dues. Also, we have 9 new members. I wish to thank those that have renewed their membership and those that have more recently joined our "Band of Brothers". If you have not yet renewed your dues I urge you to do so, we need your continued support. If you have not been a member, please consider doing so as it is not the cost of membership, but the price you already paid to be eligible to become a member of the Ivy Dragoons. Annual dues are \$15.00 Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2004. Paid for life memberships are available, if interested. The following are those I received dues thru July 31, 2004. Dues received after July 31st are good through 2005.

**New Members:** **Lloyd T. Bedik**, HHC/3/8 67-68; **Marty R. Hoffman**, Memorial (Uncle - Terry R. Johnston A/3/8 68-69 KIA 6/12/69); **Richard A. Palentchar**, U/3/8 70; **Joseph Di Giovanni**, U/3/8 ??-??; **Gary Holliman** C/3/8 67-68; **Paul L. Hundrieser**, A/3/8 66-67; **John R. Kell**, C/3/8 70; **Michael L. Noll**, A/3/8 66-67; **Col. James O. Pittman**, HHC/3/8 RECON 6/69-6/70;

**Renewals:** **Robert L. Brown**, C/3/8 67-68; **Terry E. Campbell**, D/3/8 69-70; **George R. Costa**, A/3/8 68-69; **Richard F. Ciavarra**, D/3/8 68-69 **David S. Fessler**, C/3/8 67-68; **Hugh D. Hosack**, B/3/8 67-68; **Robert L. Levesque**, D/3/8 69-70; **Monte R. Lunde**, C/3/8 67-68; **Robert G. Walkowiak**, B/3/8 67-68;

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### NATIONAL 4<sup>TH</sup> INFANTRY (IVY) DIVISION ASSOCIATION

#### Membership Application Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2004

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Company:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Dates in RVN:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City/State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Dues:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Spouse:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Donation:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Total:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If interested in a Life Membership, let me know and I will send you an application.

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## Seeking information....



*Joe Muench - Pre Vietnam*

I discovered your site yesterday while trying to find out more information on my wife's uncle who was killed in Vietnam and served in B/3/8. His name is Joseph Earl Muench and was killed by small arms fire on 4 October 1969. He earned the CIB, Silver Star, Bronze Star, and Purple Heart medals. I'm going to contact some of the people listed on your site who served in B/3/8 at the same time. I noticed that three have e-mails and will contact them shortly after I get a chance to read the Army's citation award papers that Joseph's mother has. These may give me a little more background of how he was killed. I really want to find as much as I can about him from anyone that knew him. Also, do you know of any other connections I can make to find out more about Joseph? I looked at your AAR section but that only goes through May of 1969 when Joseph just came in-country. From your KIA lists it appears Joseph was the only member of Co.B to be killed on 4 October 1969. Thank you for your time and any help you can give me.

Joseph's mother, who is almost 81 yrs.old, came over this afternoon with his Silver Star Citation. I've copied the citation for the Silver Star below. As you can see he was awarded this medal posthumously for his actions the day he was killed. His mother told me, today, that she would appreciate any more information that can be gathered about her son. Hopefully, your newsletter will help us in this endeavor and we would greatly appreciate anything that could be told us by anyone that knew him. I would like a copy of your newsletter if that is possible. I want to thank you, again, for your efforts and kindness.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, July 9, 1918, has awarded the Silver Star posthumously to **CORPORAL JOSEPH E. MUENCH UNITED STATES ARMY** for gallantry in action: Corporal Joseph E. Muench distinguished himself by gallantry in action while serving as a Rifleman with Company B, 3d Battalion, 8th Infantry, 4th Infantry Division. On 4 Octo-

ber 1969, Corporal Muench's unit made contact with a company-sized enemy force near An Khe. Corporal Muench was leading a reconnaissance element when he detected an enemy ambush and immediately warned his element. In the contact which ensued, three men were wounded by enemy fire. Reacting immediately, Corporal Muench layed down an effective base of suppressive fire which allowed his comrades to be moved to safety. Seeing a grenade land near his comrades, he unhesitatingly ran to it, picked it up, and threw it back at the enemy just as it exploded. Although he sustained minor wounds when the grenade exploded, he continued supporting his element with an effective volume of protective fire. Then realizing that the hostile force was vulnerable from the right flank, Corporal Muench attempted to maneuver in that direction and was mortally wounded in the process. Corporal Muench's courageous actions, and exemplary devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit and the United States Army.

Joe's mother held her annual family reunion this past Saturday, August 7th. I was able to share some of the things that you, "Doc", and Keith Kelly told me. There were tears but it was a consolation to them to learn more about what happened to Joe all those years ago. Hopefully, I can gather some more information when your newsletter comes out.

Sincerely,  
William J. DeJonge  
31 Central Place  
Wellsville, NY 14895  
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*Joseph Muench on the left*

## DRAGOON PROFILE...



Albert "Hawk" Jacquez A/3/8 RVN 1/69 - 1/70

Albert J. "Hawk" Jacquez was inducted into the army on August 10, 1968 in Fresno, CA. At the time, Albert was living in, nearby, Visalia. Al took his Basic Training and AIT

at Fort Lewis, WA and was assigned an MOS of 11Bravo. Upon his arrival in Vietnam, Al was assigned to Alpha Co 3/8th where he served from January 10, 1969 to January 9, 1970. He did not have the pleasure of an R & R. Upon his return to the U.S., Al was assigned to the 3rd Squadron, 3rd Cavalry, Sixth Army in Fort Lewis. He was honorably discharged from the army on June 11, 1971 at Fort Lewis. Al is married to his lovely wife, Isabel, and resides in Los Osos, CA. They are the parents of two sons; Ysidro and Albert L. and the proud grandparents of Brittany and Cyrus from Ysidro and his wife, Cindy, with another grandchild expected on September 8, 2004 from Albert L. and his wife, Michele. Al, recently, retired from the United States Postal Service as a Letter Carrier. He is a member of Vietnam Veterans of America, Ivy Dragoons Chapter of the National 4th Inf. Div. Assoc. and National Assoc. of Letter Carriers. His hobbies include softball, spending time with his grandchildren and Volunteer for Foster Children causes. Al comments, "I want to thank Steve Edmunds for starting the Ivy Dragoons Chapter. Bringing our brothers and their families together and starting new friendships that will last a lifetime. Having lunch with Ed (B Co 66-67) and Mary Goehring, hearing stories of their home life was a wonderful experience. We, also, met a lot of other couples and encourage more brothers to bring their families to these events". Al further states, "I attended the first Ivy Dragoons reunion held in Las Vegas in 1999 and have attended every reunion since. The reunion in Wash. DC in 2001 was extra special. We honored our Division and our brothers and sisters of the 4th Div. Seeing the Vietnam Memorial (The Wall) for the first time was a very moving experience. Robert Gamboa (B Co 66-67) and Alex Quintanar (D Co 67-68) took my wife, Isabel, and me to The Wall. They had been there before, and seeing all the names from my company was almost too much to handle, so I said 'hello' and 'goodbye', and I would return to visit them again. This trip helped me heal a little and every time I see a fellow brother from the 3/8th, it brings me a lot of pride to know there are others who have gone through what I went through and come out okay, for we share a common bond".

## TAPS....

It was with a great deal of sadness when I learned of the passing of another member of our "Band of Brothers". James Earl Mitchell passed away on July 12, 2004 at the Washington Hospital Center in Washington, DC. At the time of his death, his family was gathered at his bedside as he peacefully crossed the threshold beyond this life. James, also known as "Hoop" or "Mitch", was born on March 24, 1947 to the parents of Minnie Ruth Newsome Mitchell and the late J. T. Mitchell. His formative years were spent in Greene County, near Appie, North Carolina. He graduated from Greene County Training School, Snow Hill, North Carolina in 1965. In 1966, James, entered the United States Army and served with "A" Co. 3rd Bn. 8th Inf. Reg., 4th Inf. Div. in the Republic of Vietnam from May 67 - May 68 where he was awarded the Purple Heart. On August 16, 1975, he became married to his loving wife, the former JoAnn Ward. Together, they were blessed with two sons, Clayton Mitchell, III and Clifton Mitchell II. He and his family resided in Washington, DC for more than 35 years. James was a dedicated husband, father and provider to his family. He instilled in his children, nieces and nephews the importance of education, perseverance and integrity. James was employed by Judd Detweller Company, Safeway/Collington Services for thirty-five years, having retired in August 2003. He was, also, an avid sports



James Earl Mitchell A/3/8 RVN 5/67-5/68

enthusiast, excelling in basketball and baseball. Realizing the need for Christ in his life, he became united in Christian Fellowship with the Greater Zion Original Free Will Baptist Church of Stantonsburg, North Carolina in November 2002 under the leadership of his brother-in-law, Elder George A. Ward. He, also, delighted in attending the worship service at Faith Temple #2 Church in Capital Heights, Maryland. Funeral

services were held on July 17, 2004 at the L. N. Forbes Tabernacle, Wilson, North Carolina, followed by his internment at St. Delight Cemetery, Green County, North Carolina.

Submitted by *Steve Edmunds* C/3/8 RVN 67-68

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**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



**The front row from left to right is:** Don Zarling, Bob Richards, Russell Campbell, Byron Perry, Danny Metzger, Del Shores and Bobby Longwell.

**Back row standing:** Terry Jandron, Jim Kriesel, Bill Kendall, Myron Mleziva, Bob McElroy, Bob Rohan, Darrel Vanderkamp, Bob Fopma, Jerry Fagg, Roger Tenbrink, Jon Schmidt, Robert A. (Mac) McAfoos and Mark Butler. Present at the reunion but not pictured: Ivan Pierce.

### **Charlie Co Mini Reunion.....**

The names (66-67) I have that were in attendance in Shipshewana, Indiana June 25 - 27th are: Bob "ASS" Longwell & wife, Jerald Fagg & wife, Bob McAfoos & wife, Russell & Jama Campbell, Del & Carol Shores, Danny & Sara Metzger, John & Linda Schmidt, Bob & Joan Fopma, Jim Kriesel & wife, Terry & Sue Jandron, Byron & Hazel Perry, Don Zarling & wife, Bob & Mickie Rohan, Darrell & Brenda VanDerKamp, Bob & Wuanda Richards, Roger Tenbrink, Bill Williams & wife, Myron & Joy Mleziva, Ivan Pierce, Bob & Eileen McElroy, and Mark Butler. In addition, there was Bill & Kathy Kendall (1969). On Thursday as people were arriving the group gathered out in the parking lot under a 4th Infantry Division Flag that was attached to the bumper of Russ Campbell's truck that stood about 12 feet high. In the evening we gathered in the breakfast room. On Friday, some went shopping while others sat around talking. Friday night we were all together in the breakfast room. The ladies had a buffet of snacks, crackers, meat, etc. Everyone got together Saturday night for a meeting and decided to have the next reunion in Washington D.C. Tentative date is late June, 2006. Submitted by Mark Butler C/3/8 RVN 67 & Bob Richards C/3/8 RVN 66-67