

# Vietnam War Commemoration "SITREP" – 2016, Issue 5

*"Join the nation ... thank a Vietnam veteran!"*

Thursday, May 5

*Dear Commemorative Partners,*

**Memorial Day**, originally known as "**Decoration Day**," is observed the last Monday in May to **honor and recognize** those who died while serving in our nation's armed forces. This year, it falls on **May 30**.

As you host and attend **Memorial Day events** this year, remember the following: 1) Consider an appropriate way to commemorate your area's fallen veterans from all wars. 2) More than 58 thousand of those heroes made the **ultimate sacrifice** during the Vietnam War, and their **names are engraved on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial**, pictured at the right. 3) While Memorial Day is set aside specifically for those who have died, **every day** is a great day to honor all veterans! If your event is honoring **living** Vietnam veterans, submit your request for [Vietnam Veteran Lapel Pins](#) (through the Partner Portal) **right away** so you can honor these heroes with this "**lasting memento of the nation's thanks**" at your Memorial Day event!



## **Above & Beyond**

**Maryland Public  
Television (MPT)**



Two capstones of a 4-year initiative:  
[MPT Salutes Vietnam Veterans:](#)

1. "Maryland Vietnam Stories" a documentary, airs in three parts: **May 24-26**
2. **LZ Maryland**, a weekend event honors Vietnam veterans **June 18-19**

**Thank you MPT!**

Additionally, our office **will be moving** to a new location this week. Our new mailing address is now: 241 18<sup>th</sup> Street South, Suite 101, Arlington, VA 22202. Our website, phone, and email contact information remain the same, but if you have any questions, as always, email: [whs.vnwar50th@mail.mil](mailto:whs.vnwar50th@mail.mil). If you are ever in the Crystal City area, let us know and we will show you the new office!

We look forward to hearing from **you** on your continued successes via your [After-Action Reports](#). **One way** we share **your success stories** is on our Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/vietnamwar50th](http://www.facebook.com/vietnamwar50th)). If you have not done so already, please "like" and "tag" us in any stories your organization shares, and thank you for being a ...

*"Proud partner with The U.S.A. Vietnam War Commemoration!"*

Sincerely,

**The United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration Staff**