

# AFVN

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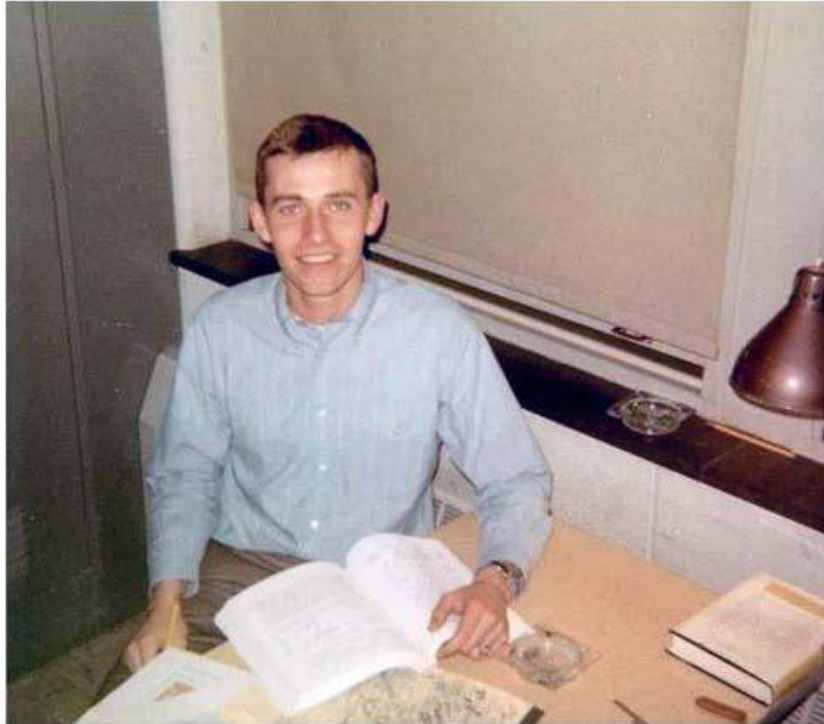
**Rick Fredericksen Cpl, USMC  
Saigon / Hon Tre 1969-1970**

These photos are from three different eras:

1. When Rick was a Marine with AFVN.
2. When he was a correspondent for CBS.
3. When he visited Vietnam later on

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All journalists have to study their trade, as did I, at the Defense Information School in Indianapolis, pictured here as a teenage Private First Class. I don't have a traditional college education, but the military degree has served me well. Al Gore and Steve Kroft among notable graduates.

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Rick at Cherry Point Marine Corps Air Station, NC in 1968 after completing DINFOS but before being sent to Vietnam.

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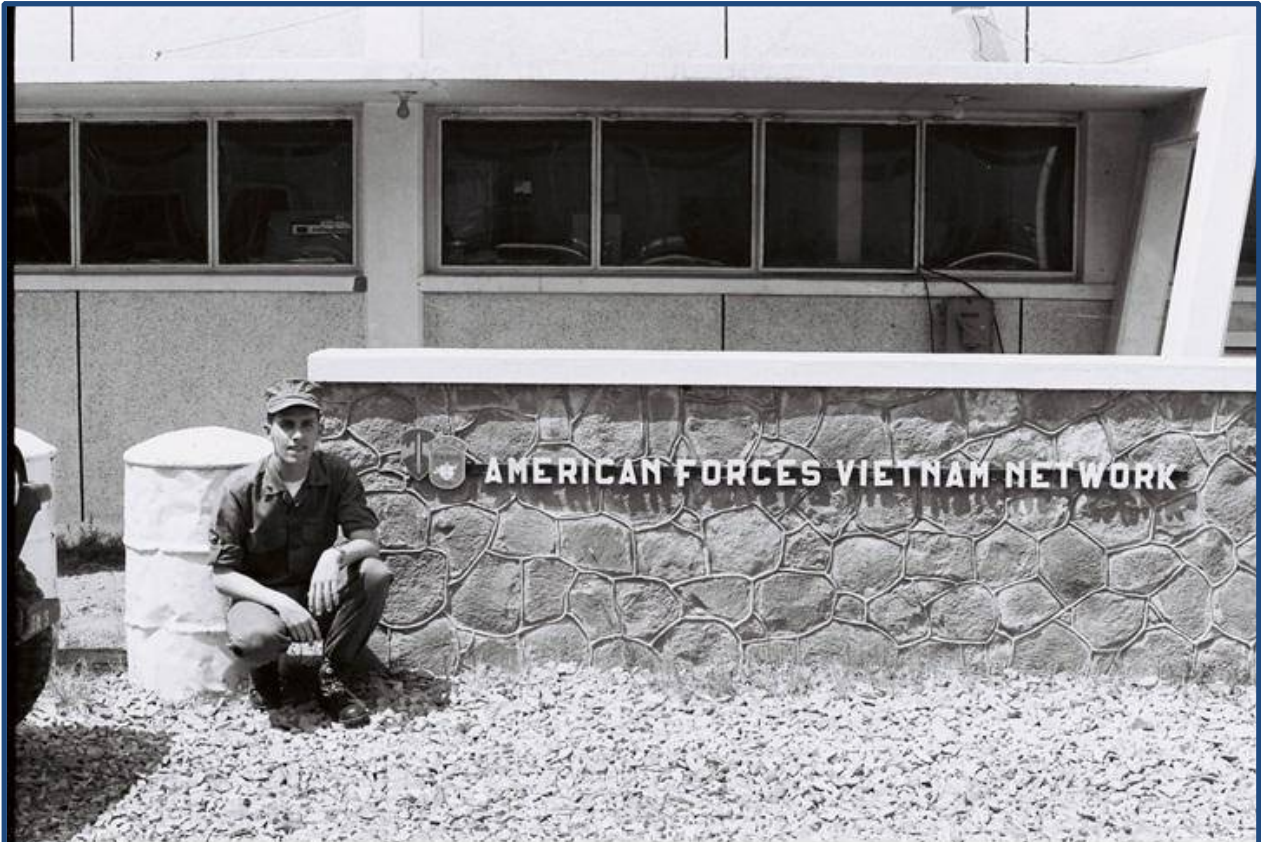
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Rick in the Radio News booth.

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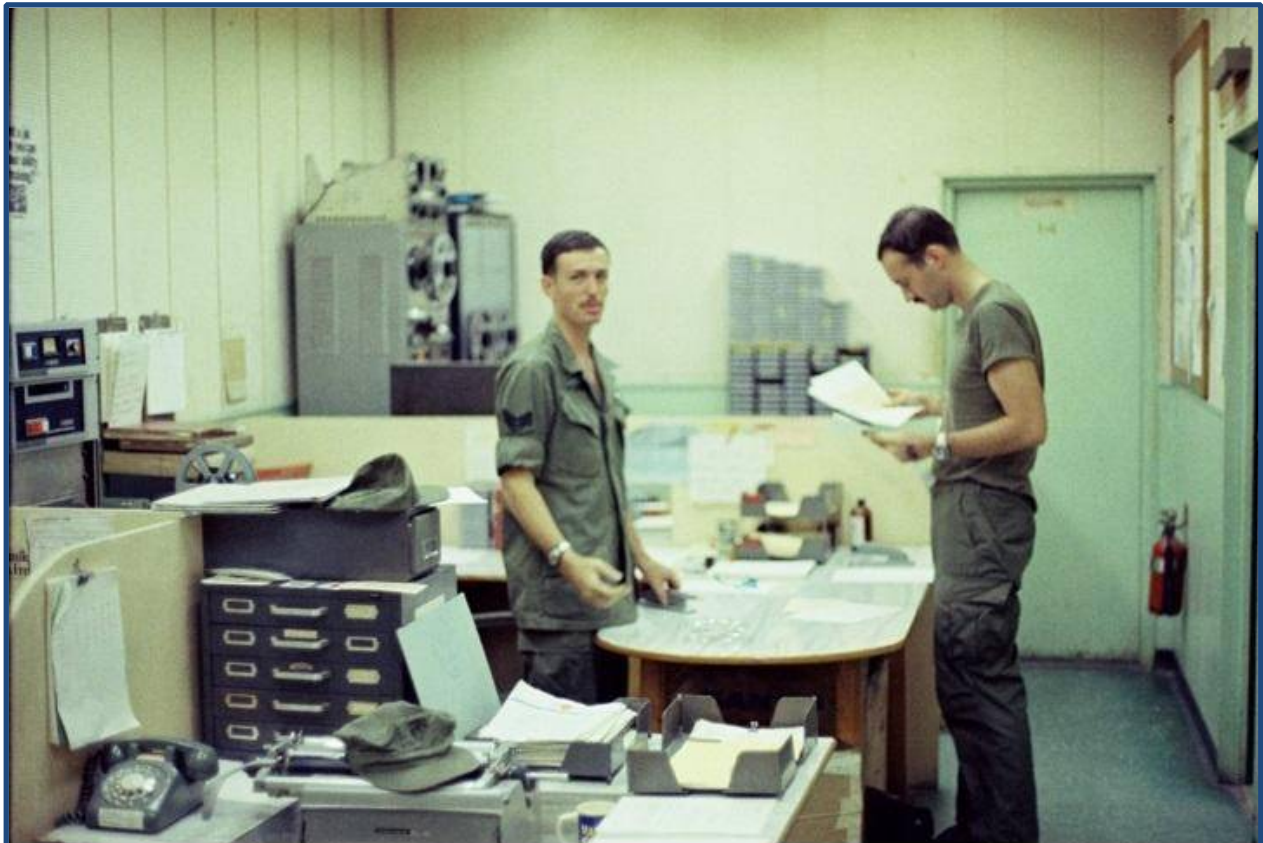
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Rick by the AFVN sign in 1969.

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Hugh Morgan, Sgt, USAF (left) and Dave Kieffer, SP5, USA in the Saigon Newsroom, 1969.

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Mike Maxwell, SP5, USA, reading the Stars & Stripes  
in the Saigon newsroom, 1969.

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Saigon Production Room in 1969.



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TV Audio Control, 1969.

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Videotape machines in Saigon.

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David Heler, SP5, USA at the Sports Desk, 1969.

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The AFVN News set in 1969.

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Randall Moody, CPT, USA, Network News OIC, and  
James G. Kyser, III, MGySgt, USMC, News NCOIC, 1969

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SGT Dennis Whitaker, USA, my roommate at the Plaza BEQ.  
He was not assigned to AFVN.

In the background the MP is headed towards the front gate  
to open it for the OIC's Bronco.

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The Plaza BEQ in its heyday, 1969.

The sign over the door reads: "Personnel entering this facility are responsible for security of their weapons. Keep your weapon with you or place it in a secure, locked container." The sign to the right side reads: "Military Banking Facility: Agent of the US Treasury"  
The young lady in the center--who knows?

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SP5 Ray Profeta, USA, in the radio production room.



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Rick (on the right), along with others at a promotion ceremony in the TV studio.

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Rick getting the traditional "Marine pinning"  
of his Cpl. E-4 stripes.

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Laundry day at the Plaza BEQ, 1969.

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Rick's room (Room 434) in the Plaza BEQ, 1969.

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The war as seen  
from the roof of the  
Plaza BEQ in 1969.

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The Hon Tre (Det 4) Newsroom.

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Perimeter lights at Hon Tre in 1970.

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Rick at the Ellsworth Bunker, Hon Tre, in 1970.



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The view from Hon Tre in 1970.

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Rick on his last day in Vietnam as a Marine.

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The pharmaceutical students who were living in  
Rick's old Plaza BEQ room in 1986.

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The very stark Plaza BEQ lobby in 1986.

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The Plaza BEQ in 1986.

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The one and only Continental Hotel in 1969.

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The Continental sidewalk cafe in 1969.

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The Saigon Zoo in 1969.



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The 5 O'clock Follies Building in the late 1980's.

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## Brodard's Restaurant in about 1986.

When Rick sent this photo to the AFVN Group, he commented: "This is Brodard's restaurant and bakery, originally on what we know as Tu Do St., but was Dong Khoi when this photo was taken in about 1986. Perhaps you were there during the war. Brodard's dates back to 1948, and has since relocated to the Palace Hotel on Nguyen Hue. It is famous for ice cream and bakery goods. Our guys who started the original AFRS radio station at the Rex Hotel in 1962, used to be customers. [You can] see bicycles through the window--very few left in contemporary HCMC."

When she saw the photo, Ann Kelsey wrote: "That's exactly how it looked when I was there in 1992. Thanks for the photo!"

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Last bar off Tu Do Street in 1986.

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First postwar Apocalypse Now Bar, 1986.

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Majestic Hotel, circa 1990.

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My interpreter at the Rex Hotel in 1993.

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Rick with a friend in the old CBS Bureau Room  
at the Caravelle Hotel in 1993.

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Overgrown US Embassy compound, 1993.

[But not as overgrown as it would have been if it had been left completely unattended for 18 years! JimW]



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General Norman Schwarzkopf, Jr. and  
TV Reporter Dan Rather on the roof  
of the US Embassy in Saigon in 1993.

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Rick and General Norman Schwartzkopf

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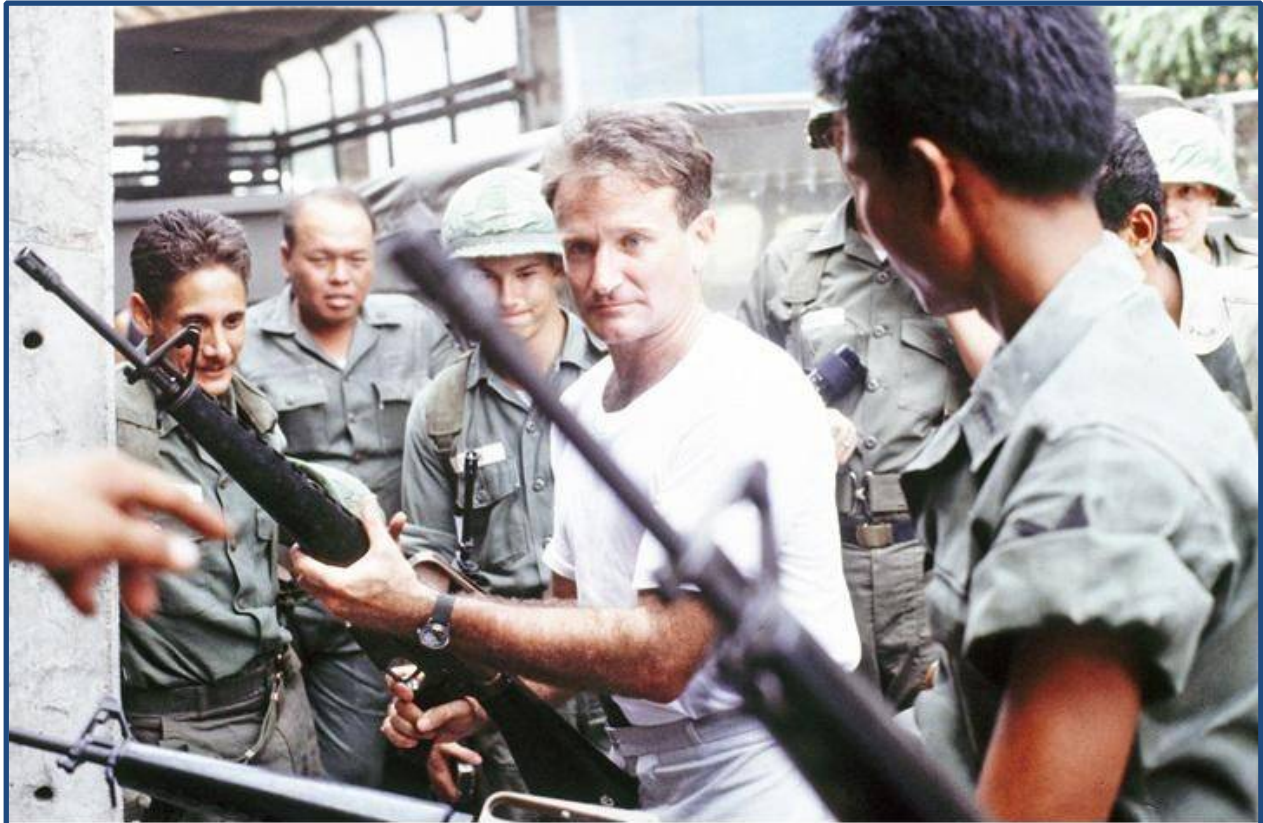
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With  
Vietnamese  
Boat  
People in  
Thailand.

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Robin Williams on the set for "Good Morning, Vietnam"  
in Bangkok, 1987.

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U.S. and Vietnam POW-MIA Talks, 1987.

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The "Hanoi Hilton" in 1986.

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An "Agent Orange" family, 1994.

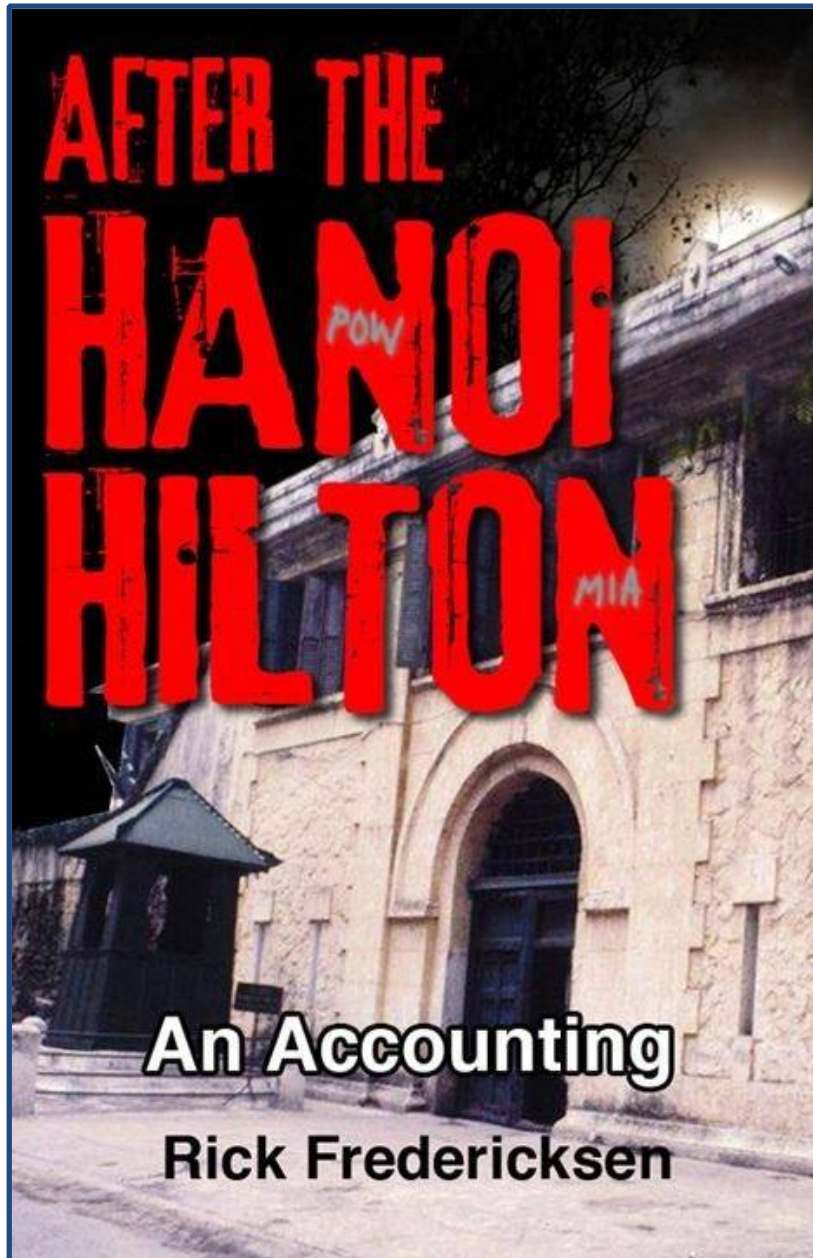
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An Agent Orange Specimen Room, 1994.

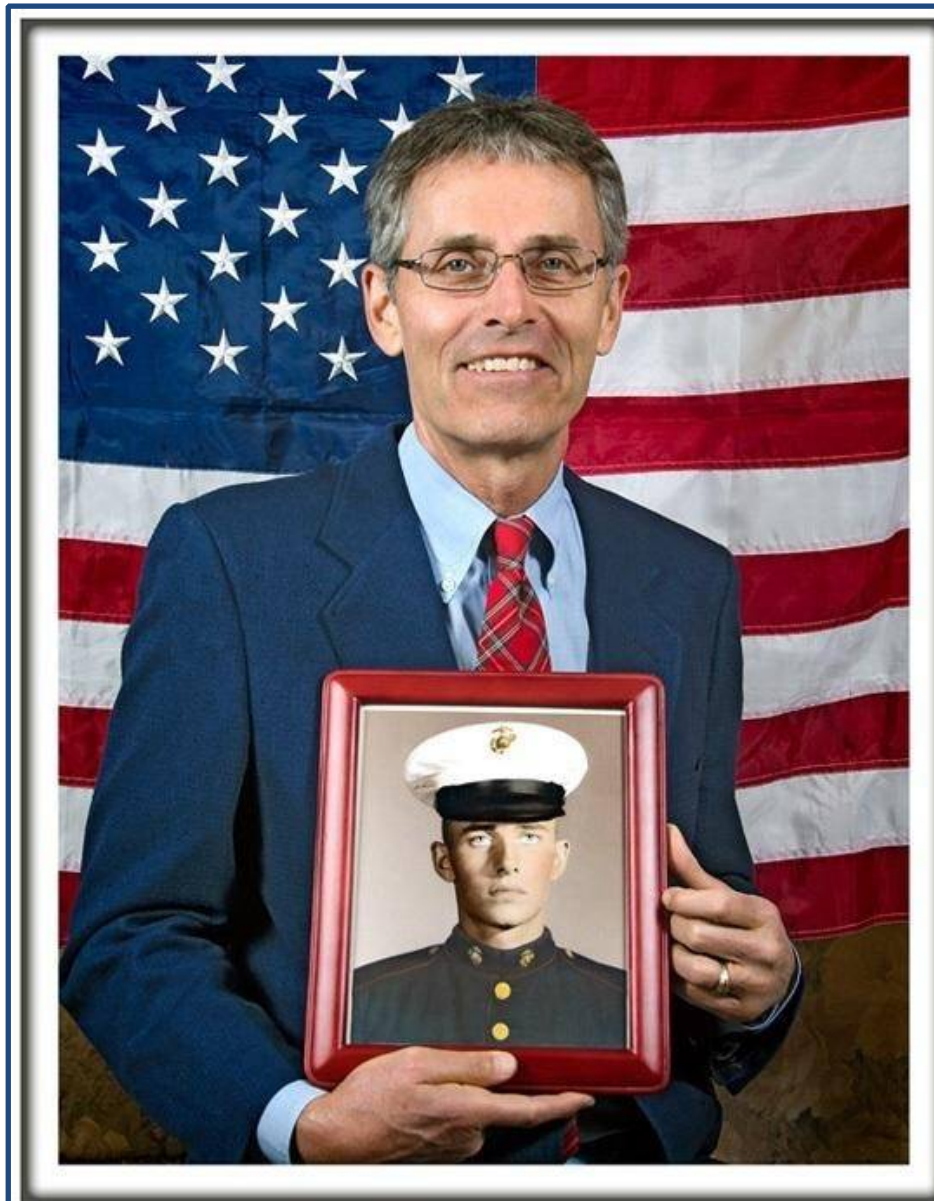




Rick's first ebook,  
2012.  
(Available through  
Amazon)

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Rick (cira. 2012)  
holding a photo  
of Rick (cira.  
1967)

[He knows that  
his name, as  
often happens,  
is misspelled.]

Rick Fredericsen, October, 2012 Photo by Bill Schaefer

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A farewell breakfast to kick off my last month before retirement. (left to right) news director Michael Leland; network director Myrna Johnson; Rick, and Wanna, who provided Thai treats. A wonderful crew--worthy of your listener support.

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