# United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration Program

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#### Who We Are

- The 2008 National Defense Authorization Act authorized the Secretary of Defense to conduct a program to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War and "while conducting the commemorative program, the Secretary shall coordinate, support, and facilitate other programs and activities of the Federal Government, State and local governments, and other persons and organizations in commemoration of the Vietnam War."
- The Commemoration will consist of a series of events and activities over the course of several years. These events will be held across the nation and will be based on the anniversaries of events that occurred during the war, as well as conceptual and theme based events.
- The Commemoration will also include an Educational initiative providing material and information for educational institutions, and a Commemorative Partners Program to assist state and local communities, and other organizations, in conducting commemorative events.



# Objectives

- Thank and honor veterans of the Vietnam War, including personnel who were held as prisoners of war or listed as missing in action, for their service and sacrifice on behalf of the United States and to thank and honor the families of these veterans.
- Highlight the service of the armed forces during the Vietnam War and the contributions of federal agencies and governmental and nongovernmental organizations that served with, or in support of, the armed forces.
- Pay tribute to the contributions made on the home front by the people of the United States during the Vietnam War.
- Highlight the advances in technology, science, and medicine related to the military research conducted during the Vietnam War.
- Recognize the contributions and sacrifices made by the allies of the United States during the Vietnam War.

# Education Program

- Education Meeting
- Downloadable information for Teachers
- Traveling Exhibit

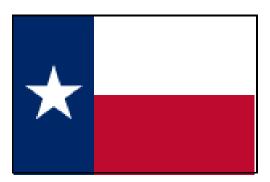


# Vietnam Veteran Demographics



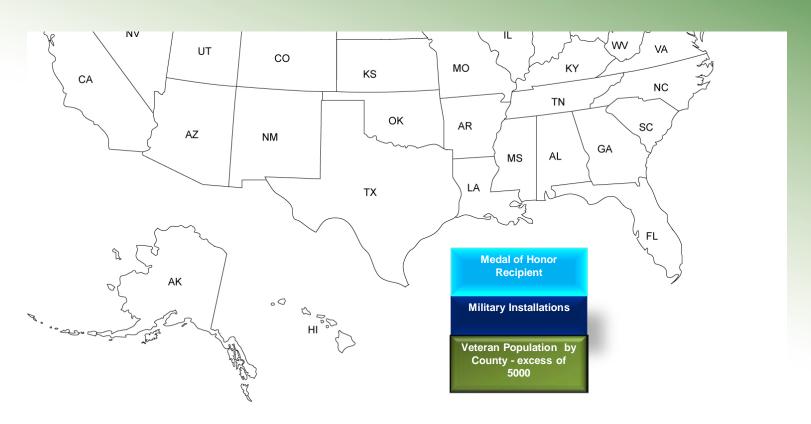
Total Missing and Unaccounted for as of 16 Feb 2011: 1,699

• TEXAS: 108



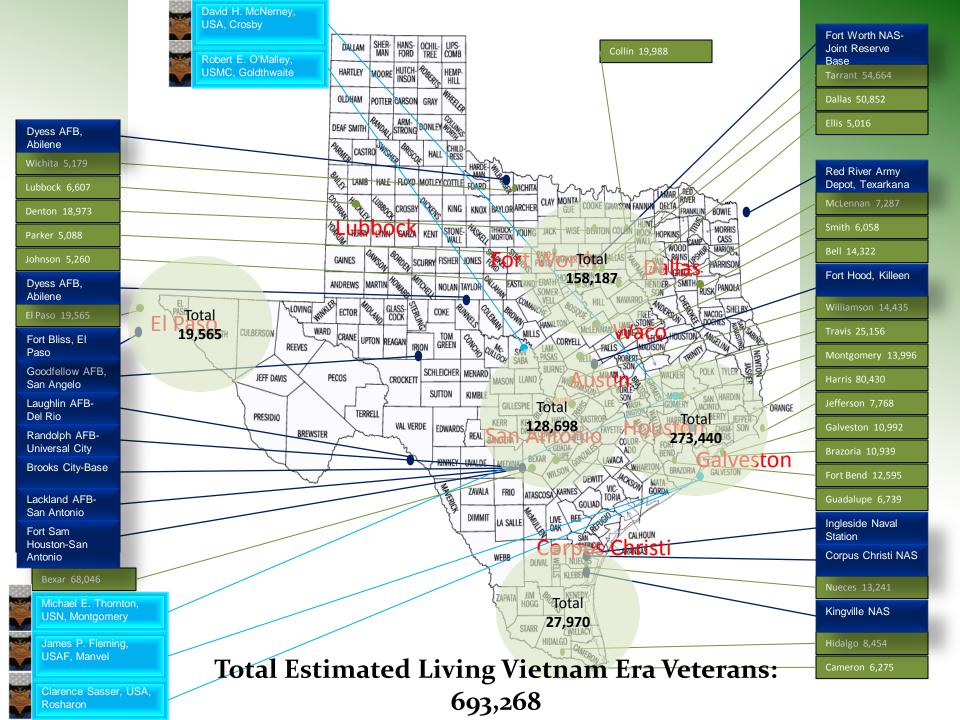


# Vietnam Veteran Demographics



Total Estimated Living Vietnam Era Veterans: 8,959,630





#### Vietnam Veteran Demographics - Texas

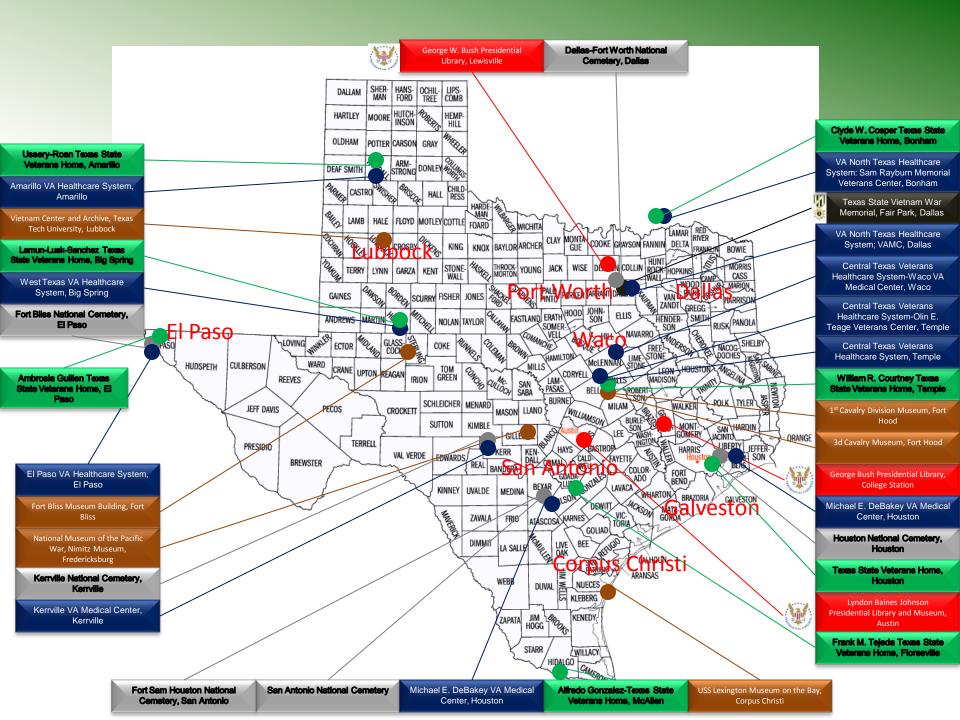
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Anderson, TX	1,862	Collingsworth, TX	89	Glasscock, TX	48	Kandall TV	1 207	Motley TV	20	Ctarling TV	20
Andrews, TX	276	Colorado, TX	504	Goliad, TX	235	Kendall, TX	1,397	Motley, TX	39	Sterling, TX	39
Angelina, TX	2,171	Comal, TX	4,640	Gonzales, TX	647	Kenedy, TX	17	Nacogdoches, TX	1,348	Stonewall, TX	53
Aransas, TX	1,187	Comanche, TX	323	Gray, TX	872	Kent, TX	34	Navarro, TX	1,589	Sutton, TX	107
Archer, TX	335	Concho, TX	109	Grayson, TX	4,838	Kerr, TX	2,140	Newton, TX	446	Swisher, TX	105
Armstrong, TX	88	Cooke, TX	1,291	Gregg, TX	3,636	Kimble, TX	116	Nolan, TX	436	Tarrant, TX	54,664
Atascosa, TX	1,282	Coryell, TX	4,309	Grimes, TX	823	King, TX	7	Nueces, TX	13,241	Taylor, TX	4,827
Austin, TX	803	Cottle, TX	34	Guadalupe, TX	6,739	Kinney, TX	135	Ochiltree, TX	156	Terrell, TX	36
Bailey, TX	90	Crane, TX	130	Hale, TX	593	Kleberg, TX	750	Oldham, TX	65	Terry, TX	241
Bandera, TX	1,407	Crockett, TX	56	Hall, TX	83	Knox, TX	47	Orange, TX	3,024	Throckmorton, TX	
Bastrop,TX	3,352	Crosby, TX	88	Hamilton, TX	218	Lamar, TX	1,872	Palo Pinto, TX	947	Titus, TX	843
Baylor, TX	119	Culberson, TX	58	Hansford, TX	70	Lamb, TX	256	Panola, TX	722	Tom Green, TX	3,734
Bee, TX	890	Dallam, TX	217	Hardeman, TX	69	Lampasas, TX	1,497	Parker, TX	5,088	Travis, TX	25,156
Bell,TX	14,322	Dallas, TX	50,852	Hardin, TX	2,335	La Salle, TX	113	Parmer, TX	151	Trinity, TX	702
Bexar, TX	68,046	Dawson, TX	242	Harris, TX	80,430	Lavaca, TX	452	Pecos, TX	331	Tyler, TX	799
Blanco, TX	417	Deaf Smith, TX	245	Harrison, TX	2,264	Lee, TX	518	Polk, TX	1,665	Upshur, TX	1,474
Borden, TX	22	Delta, TX	219	Hartley, TX	174	Leon, TX	498	Potter, TX	3,306	Upton, TX	73
Bosque, TX	886	Denton, TX	18,973	Haskell, TX	92	Liberty, TX	2,891	Presidio, TX	150	Uvalde, TX	695
Bowie, TX	3,757	DeWitt, TX	814	Hays, TX	4,498	Limestone, TX	582	Rains, TX	472	Val Verde, TX	1,389
Brazoria, TX	10,939	Dickens, TX	57	Hemphill, TX	142	Lipscomb, TX	61	Randall, TX	3,903	Van Zandt, TX	1,772
Brazos, TX	2,853	Dimmit, TX	172	Henderson, TX	3,617	Live Oak, TX	459	Reagan, TX	49	Victoria, TX	3,020
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Brewster, TX	292 44	Donley, TX Duval, TX	383	Hidalgo, TX	8,454	Loving, TX	9	Red River, TX	373	Waller, TX	1,278
Briscoe, TX				Hill, TX	1,440	Lubbock, TX	6,607	Reeves, TX	201	Ward, TX	324
Brooks, TX	180	Eastland, TX	467	Hockley, TX	663	Lynn, TX	108	Refugio, TX	275	Washington, TX	944
Brown, TX	957	Ector, TX	3,134	Hood, TX	2,423	McCulloch, TX	207	Roberts, TX	22	Webb, TX	2,406
Burleson, TX	663	Edwards, TX	42	Hopkins, TX	976	McLennan, TX	7,287	Robertson, TX	557	Wharton, TX	1,073
Burnet, TX	1,859	Ellis, TX	5,016	Houston, TX	1,006	McMullen, TX	23	Rockwall, TX	2,041	Wheeler, TX	144
Caldwell, TX	1,282	El Paso, TX	19,565	Howard, TX	978	Madison, TX	412	Runnels, TX	344	Wichita, TX	5,179
Calhoun, TX	749	Erath, TX	732	Hudspeth, TX	40	Marion, TX	496	Rusk, TX	1,814	Wilbarger, TX	343
Callahan, TX	636	Falls, TX	452	Hunt, TX	3,532	Martin, TX	66	Sabine, TX	289	Willacy, TX	431
Cameron, TX	6,275	Fannin, TX	1,108	Hutchinson, TX	790	Mason, TX	107	San Augustine, TX	266	Williamson, TX	14,435
Camp, TX	347	Fayette, TX	733	Irion, TX	54	Matagorda, TX	1,123	San Jacinto, TX	1,143	Wilson, TX	2,137
Carson, TX	205	Fisher, TX	157	Jack, TX	268	Maverick, TX	674	San Patricio, TX	2,630	Winkler, TX	209
Cass, TX	1,071	Floyd, TX	82	Jackson, TX	552	Medina, TX	2,073	San Saba, TX	142	Wise, TX	2,658
Castro, TX	141	Foard, TX	20	Jasper, TX	1,008	Menard, TX	84	Schleicher, TX	32	Wood, TX	1,701
Chambers, TX	1,184	Fort Bend, TX	12,595	Jeff Davis, TX	99	Midland, TX	3,208	Scurry, TX	411	Yoakum, TX	126
Cherokee, TX	1,501	Franklin, TX	277	Jefferson, TX	7,768	Milam, TX	928	Shackelford, TX	55	Young, TX	507
Childress, TX	113	Freestone, TX	680	Jim Hogg, TX	89	Mills, TX	140	Shelby, TX	641	Zapata, TX	198
Clay, TX	492	Frio, TX	273	Jim Wells, TX	1,232	Mitchell, TX	378	Sherman, TX	49	Zavala, TX	110
Cochran, TX	59	Gaines, TX	145	Johnson, TX	5,260	Montague, TX	637	Smith, TX	6,058	Zavala, 17	110
Coke, TX	131	Galveston, TX	10,992	Jones, TX	577	Montgomery, TX		Somervell, TX	280		
Coleman, TX	305	Garza, TX	103	Karnes, TX	354	Moore, TX	335		311		
Collin, TX	19,988	Gillespie, TX	942	Kaufman, TX	2,956	IVIOUIE, IA	333	Starr, TX	211		

Morris, TX

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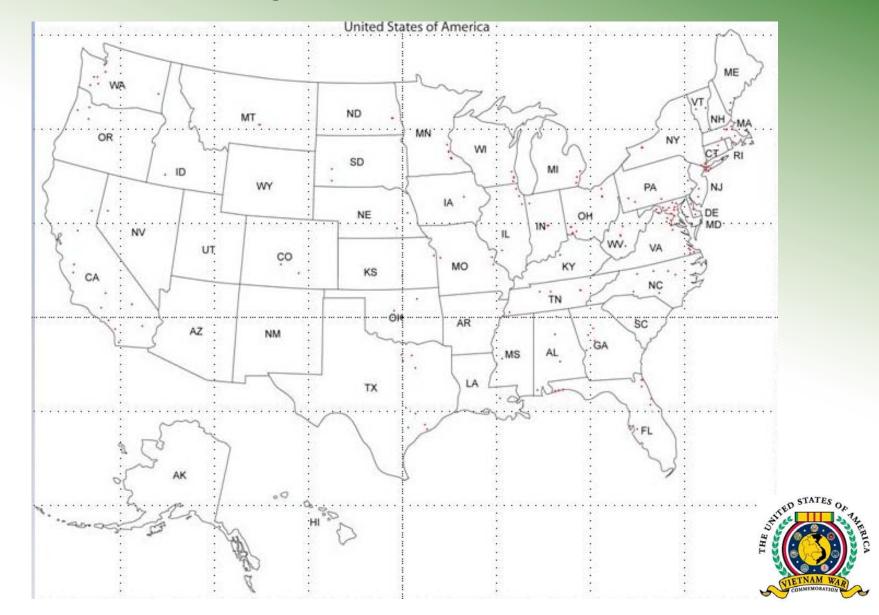
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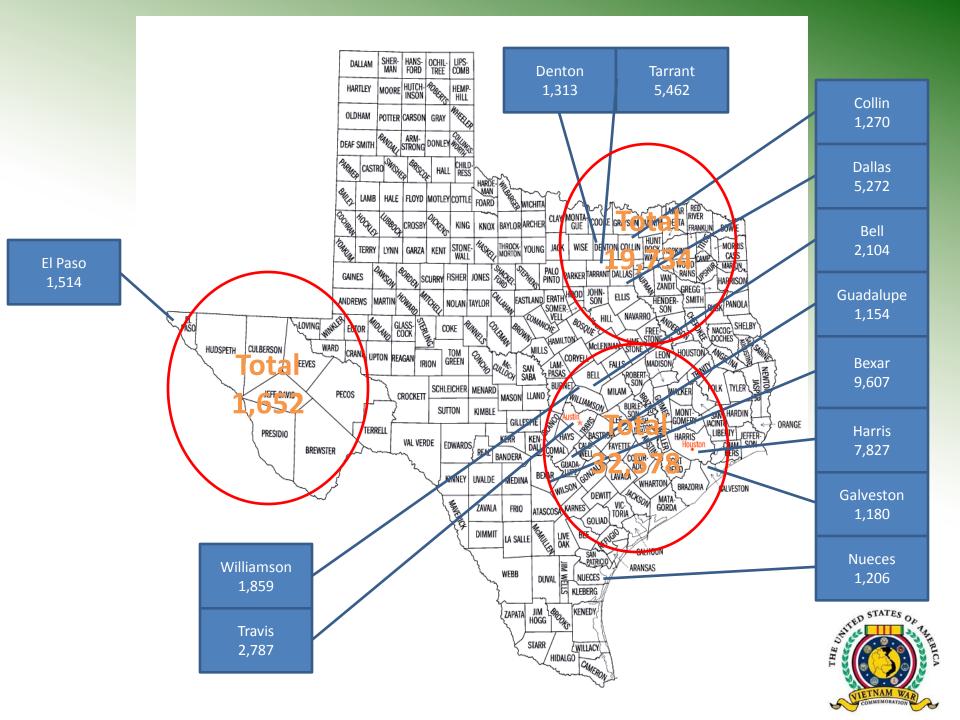
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#### Vietnam Veteran Demographics

Total Estimated Living Female Vietnam Era Veterans: 811,458





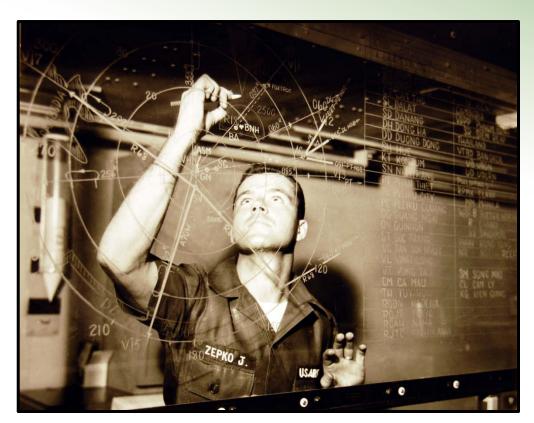
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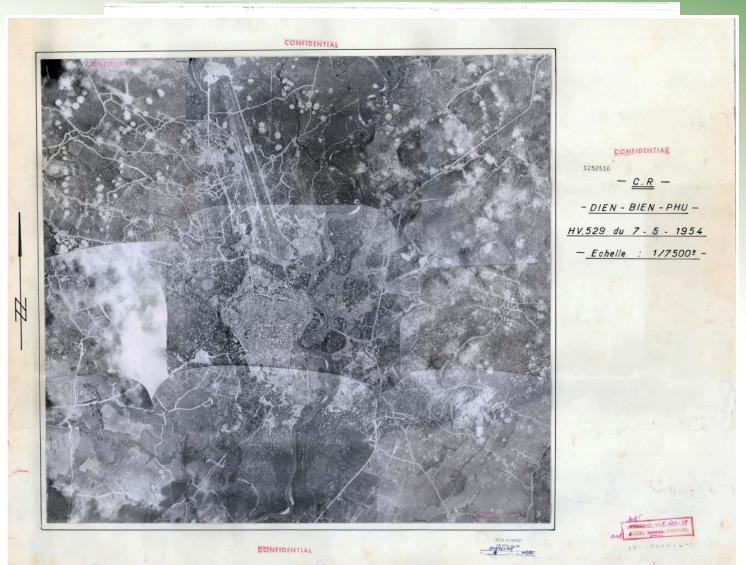
#### Research Discoveries of Interest

- Timeline entries
- Still Photos and Documents
- Key events



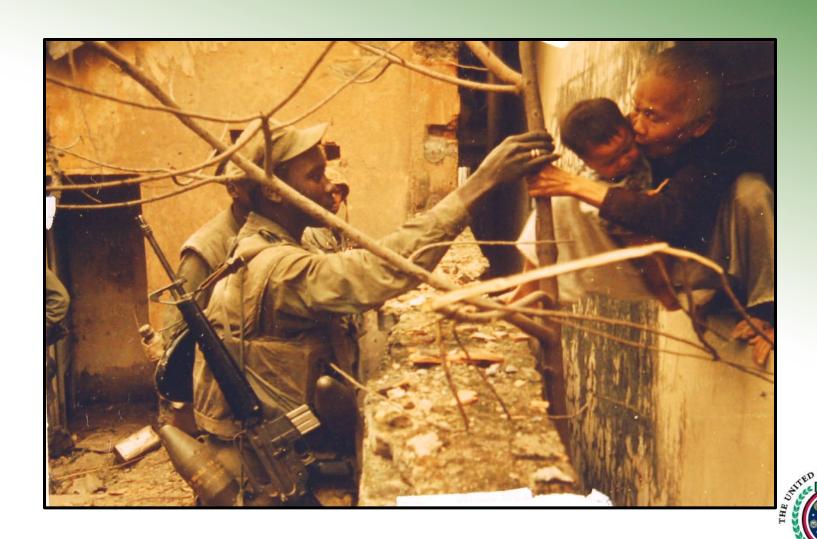


#### The Battle of Dien Bien Phu

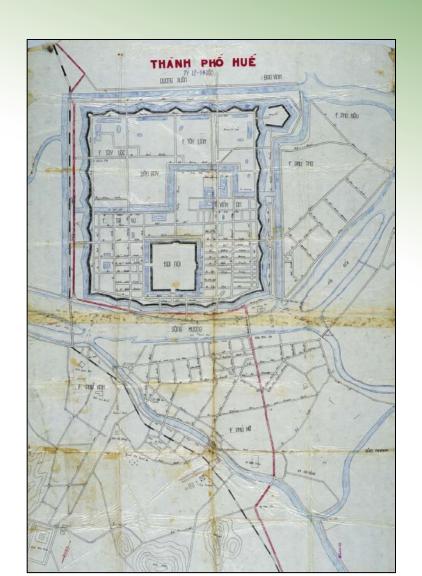




# Tet Offensive



# The Battle of Hue



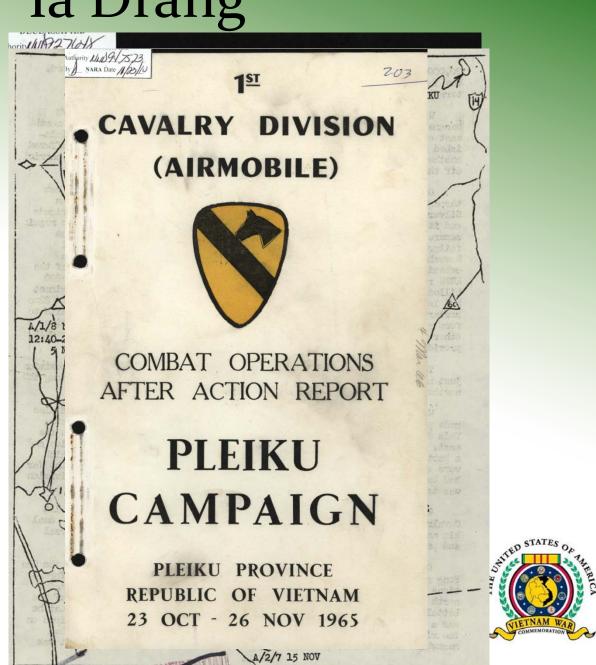


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 After Action Report

• 1<sup>st</sup> Air Cavalry Division

Air Mobility



#### Women in Vietnam





2LT Carol Ann Drazba and 2LT Elizabeth Ann Jones

# Historical Vignettes - Women in Vietnam



Memorial service for Lt. Carol Drazba and Lt. Elizabeth Jones, nurses from the 3rd Field Hospital, and Capt. Thomas Stasko, 3rd Field Hospital surgeon, who were killed in a helicopter crash near Saigon. Major Nuttall, Chief Nurse, and Major Mutz at far right. As a result of the crash, Major Nuttall immediately put an end to all in country travel for RNs.



#### Q & A

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