10TH ANNIVERSARY
Vietnam Veterans Memorial

OFFICIAL PROGRAM
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November 1992

Dear Friends,

Back in 1982, I hoped the Wall would bestow recognition — long overdue recognition — denied those of us who served in Vietnam. The Wall would enable America to understand the honorable service and immense sacrifice given by those who answered their country’s call and gave ‘the last full measure of devotion.’

In the decade since, the Wall has done much to mend wounds still left from a tragic period of American history. For 10 years, the Wall has been a visible symbol of healing and reconciliation.

Obviously, all the wounds have not been healed in 10 years. That’s why the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund and its board of directors decided to organize a special year-long commemoration to mark the Wall’s 10th Anniversary. In fact, we believe the anniversary represents a unique opportunity for the entire nation — once divided by Vietnam — to unite in remembrance and reflection.

In short, the 10th Anniversary may be even more important than the original dedication itself.

To mark this occasion and to focus national attention on the Wall’s message, VVMF has organized educational seminars on topics ranging from race relations and student protest to military strategy and the political impact of the Vietnam War. We have hosted special ceremonies including a tribute to the sailors lost 25 years ago aboard the USS Forrestal. Former hostage Terry Anderson, a Vietnam veteran, made his first visit to the Wall for the VVMF’s Fourth of July observance.

The 1992 commemoration will conclude with six days of events here in Washington, D.C. More educational seminars, an outdoor concert, an art exhibit and other activities are scheduled. For the first time at the Memorial, all 58,183 names on the Wall will be read aloud in a special ceremony called “Reading the Names.” The year’s final event, of course, will be the traditional Veterans Day ceremony at the Wall.

Thank you for being part of this 10th Anniversary. And for honoring all the brave men and women who served their country in difficult times.

God bless you all.

Jan Craig Scruggs, Esq.
President, VVMF
The 10th anniversary of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial gives us occasion to reflect on the decade of healing that has passed since the Wall was first dedicated. Certainly the recovery process is not over; there will always be scars for anyone affected—directly or indirectly—by the Vietnam War. The Wall reminds us of those who served, and of our commitment to the pursuit of lasting world peace.

Jimmy Carter
U.S. President 1976-80

There is something very special about the Wall. The long, tragic conflict in Vietnam was different from any military conflict in the history of America. Vast public differences on U.S. government policy dominated the news media. It was not a typical period in America’s history. The Wall, during its 10 years, has created a constructive sentiment of reconciliation among those with diverse views.

Gerald Ford
U.S. President 1974-76

IN HONOR OF THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES WHO SERVED IN THE VIETNAM WAR. THE NAMES OF THOSE WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES AND OF THOSE WHO REMAIN MISSING ARE INSCRIBED IN THE ORDER THEY WERE TAKEN FROM US.

- More than 25 million people have visited the Vietnam Veterans Memorial since its formal dedication in November 1982 as a tangible symbol of recognition for veterans of the Vietnam War. The Wall, as it is commonly called now, quickly became the most popular memorial in the country. It is also recognized as a powerful instrument of healing.

- The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, a non-profit charitable organization formed to establish the Memorial, was the idea of Jan Scruggs, an infantryman wounded in Vietnam. After a long and difficult struggle, Congress authorized in 1980 a site on the National Mall near the Lincoln Memorial for a Vietnam memorial. A national competition was organized to select the design with four basic criteria: (1) the design must be reflective and contemplative in character; (2) it must harmonize with its surroundings, especially the nearby national memorials; (3) it must feature the names of all who died or remain missing; and (4) it cannot make any political statement about the war. An unprecedented 1,421 designs were submitted.

- An independent jury of internationally recognized artists and designers judged the anonymous entries and unanimously selected a winner: an entry submitted by Maya Ying Lin, a 21-year-old student at Yale University.

- In the meantime, more than $8 million—all from private sources—was raised to pay for the memorial. Money was given by corporations, foundations, unions, veterans groups, civic organizations and more than 275,000 individual Americans.

- On March 11, 1982, the memorial’s design and plans received final approval. The formal groundbreaking ceremony followed on March 26. Construction was completed in time for the formal dedication on Nov. 13, 1982.

- Frederick Hart’s sculpture of three servicemen and an American flag were added to the memorial grounds two years later.

- With this memorial, America meant to honor the courage, sacrifice and devotion to duty and country of all its Vietnam veterans. Today the Wall’s place in the hearts of all is unmistakable. Each day, hands reach out to touch the 58,183 names inscribed on the memorial. Many visitors stop to make name rubbings or leave mementos for loved ones lost in Vietnam. Others simply pause. To remember and to reflect.

OUR NATION HONORS THE COURAGE, SACRIFICE AND DEVOTION TO DUTY AND COUNTRY OF ITS VIETNAM VETERANS. THIS MEMORIAL WAS BUILT WITH PRIVATE CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

NOVEMBER 11, 1982
Few times in our brief national history has there been a thing that has so moved a nation. The Wall is many statements . . . . It represents many perspectives, many ideas, and many emotions. There is no glory in war—only sorrow. The Wall represents sorrow—but it also represents inspiration, faith, sacrifice, love and the fragility of life. The Wall is what none of us can adequately express in words. The Wall is what each of us wants it to be, and feels in our heart it is.

Charles T. Hagel
Chairman,
10th Anniversary Advisory Committee
President, McCarthy & Co.

We are all indebted to the Vietnam veterans and others whose efforts helped build and maintain the Wall. The healing power of the Memorial’s quiet strength and beauty has made it a national treasure.

Dick Cheney
Secretary of Defense

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

RE*UNION ’92
Free computer locator service (sponsored by the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund and EDS) opens. The service will be available to Vietnam veterans, family and friends through Veterans Day. Computer terminals will be placed at the Wall, area hotels and other locations. 24 hours per day through Wednesday, November 11. See page 8 • Contact: 202/393-0090

VVMF Art Exhibit
10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 12 noon – 5 p.m. Sundays through Sunday, November 15 • U.S. Navy Memorial, 701 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W. • See page 8 • Contact: 202/393-0090

Department of Veterans Affairs Display of Disabled Veterans Art
8 a.m. – 7 p.m. daily through Friday, November 6 • U.S. Russell Senate Building Rotunda, First Street and Constitution Ave., N.E. • Contact: 202/535-8461

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Veterans of the Vietnam War National Convention
Sheraton National, Columbia Pike and Washington Blvd., Arlington, VA • Thursday, November 5 through Wednesday, November 11 • Contact: John Nevelino 703/521-1900

× RE*UNION ’92
× VVMF Art Exhibit
× VA Art Exhibit

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6

The Standing Tall-Together Hospitality Tent
8 a.m. – 12 midnight daily through Thursday, November 12 • East Knoll of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial • Contact: 301/951-9610

Gold Star Mothers Open House
1 p.m. – 3 p.m. daily through Tuesday, November 10 • National Headquarters, 2128 Leroy Place N.W. • Contact: 202/265-0991

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., National Building Museum, 401 F Street N.W. • See page 13 • Contact: 202/272-2448 for free reserved seats

New Way Recovery Program – AA and NA meetings
6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. per day through 6 p.m. Wednesday, November 11 • The Mall west of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial (23rd Street and Constitution Avenue) • See page 12 • Contact: Bob Brewin 703/876-5119

The Department of Veterans Affairs – Readjustment and VA Benefits Counseling
4 p.m. – 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday, November 12 • The Mall west of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial (22nd and Constitution Avenue) • See page 12 • Contact: 202/535-8975

× RE*UNION ’92
× VVMF Art Exhibit
× VA Art Exhibit
× Veterans of the Vietnam War National Convention

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

VVMF Welcome Center and Information Tent
7 a.m. – 11 p.m. daily through Wednesday, November 11 • The Mall west of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial (22nd and Constitution Avenue) • See page 9 • Contact: 202/393-0090

× See previous entry for complete details.
For 10 years, the Wall has reflected and validated the entire spectrum of human emotion. Rage, desperation, pride, joy, comfort, understanding, hate have all commingled among those who have approached this wall. I hope that all those who visit this memorial will reach a peace with the past and secure a healing for the future, just as those immortalized on this wall have found an everlasting peace.

John Warner
U.S. Senator

Change is always possible. Look how a simple wall has transformed an entire nation.

John Chafee
U.S. Senator

How splendid it has been in its humility and earthly dignity. A marble incision in the sacred soil of the Washington Mall. Beneath the gaze of Abraham Lincoln and Thomas Jefferson, in the shadow of the monument to George Washington and only a bugle call from Ulysses Grant, the warrior. Hate was buried in this tender furrow. Honor was reclaimed. Those named on that wall who died in the Vietnam War now march in this country's caravan of the great.

Hugh Sidey
Time Magazine

National Vietnam Veterans Coalition Leadership Breakfast
9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Washington Vista Hotel, 1400 M Street N.W. • Contact: Bill Bennett 202/338-6882

DC Federation of Civic Associations Parade
10 a.m., North Capitol Street from the Soldier's Home to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial • Contact: Rick Sowell 202/232-6902

Bravo Hospitality Suite
10 a.m. – 10 p.m., Sheraton National, Columbia Pike and Washington Blvd., (Arlington, Virginia) • Contact: 703/521-1900

Prayer Room for Remembrance and Reflection
10 a.m. – 4 p.m. daily through Wednesday, November 11 • Noon prayer service daily in War Memorial Chapel • Washington National Cathedral, Massachusetts and Wisconsin Avenues N.W. • See page 14 • Contact: 202/537-6228

VVMF Outdoor Concert
11 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. • Sylvan Theater, Washington Monument grounds near Independence Avenue • Britt Small & Festival; Army Blues Ensemble; individual performers • See page 9 • Contact: 202/393-0090

VVMF Salute to Homeless Veterans
12 noon – 3 p.m. • The Mall west of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial (23rd Street and Constitution Avenue) • See page 12 • Contact: 202/393-0090

Veterans of the Vietnam War "Come As You Are Get Together Dance"
8 p.m., Howard Johnson at National Airport, Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia • Contact: 800/843-8626

Marine Corps Information Center
Sheraton City Centre Hotel, 1143 New Hampshire Avenue N.W. through Wednesday, November 11 • Contact: Bill Masciangelo 202/775-0800

5th Annual Veterans Pow-Wow
Vietnam Era Veterans Inter-Tribal Association & Terrapin Society Native American Student Union • Armory Building, University of Maryland, College Park, MD • Contact: Della Reeves 301/762-1572

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Veterans of the Vietnam War National Convention
The Standing Tall-Together Hospitality Tent
Gold Star Mothers Open House
New Way Recovery Program
VA Readjustment and Benefits Counseling

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

"Reading the Names" – The VVMF Name Reading Ceremony
12 noon, 24 hours per day through 9 a.m., Wednesday, November 11 • Vietnam Veterans Memorial • See page 8 • Contact: 202/393-0090

Friends of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial 8K Run – 4K Walk
8 a.m., Washington ($14 Registration Fee). • Contact: 703/525-1107

Mariners Black Sheep Squadron Color Guard Drill Team Presentation
9 a.m. – 9:45 a.m., East Knoll of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial • Contact: 708/484-9029

Prayer Service Dedicated to Vietnam Veterans
11 a.m., Washington National Cathedral, Massachusetts and Wisconsin Avenues, N.W. • Contact: 202/537-6228

See previous entry for complete details.
It was not until Gold Star Mothers Day in 1986 that I first visited the Memorial. As I walked slowly along the Wall, I suddenly realized I was not — and never was — alone in my grief. More than 50,000 parents had experienced the same tragedy of the loss of a precious young son or daughter. At that moment the healing began... Today I find there is comfort in Remembrance; healing in Reflection. I found it at the Wall.

Violet C. Long
National President
American Gold Star Mothers

As a member of the selection committee for those proposing models for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, I was struck by the simplicity of the design chosen. I wished that the ultimate solution to the problems of Vietnam Veterans could be as simple...As long as the memorial stands there, we are reminded of our unfinished business. The war will be forgotten but those who suffered and died there, in America’s most unpopular war, deserve our respect, our help, and all the measure of honor we can pay them. As the up-until-now unsung heroes who carried the national burden, and carried it mostly alone, and others still do, we owe our abiding respect and thanks.

Theodore M. Hesburgh
Rev., President Emeritus
Notre Dame University

**National Reconciliation Day Concert**
11 a.m. – 5 p.m., Sylvan Theater, Washington Monument grounds near Independence Avenue • Contact: 800/528-3709

**Vietnam Museum Bus**
Sheraton City Centre Hotel, 1143 New Hampshire Avenue N.W. • Contact: 202/775-0800

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- Veterans of the Vietnam War National Convention
- The Standing Tall-Together Hospitality Tent
- Gold Star Mothers Open House
- New Way Recovery Program
- VVMF Welcome Center and Information Tent
- VA Readjustment and Benefits Counseling
- Prayer Room for Remembrance and Reflection
- Marine Corps Information Center
- 5th Annual Veterans Pow-Wow

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9**

**VVMF Day at the Archives:**
National Archives Auditorium, Pennsylvania Avenue at 7th Street, N.W.

  9 a.m. – 11 a.m., National Archives auditorium
- VVMF Seminar – “The Vietnam Veteran Speaks: Have We Told the Story?”
  12 noon – 2:30 p.m., National Archives auditorium, with book signing
- VVMF Seminar – “Teaching Vietnam II: Telling the Real Story: Veterans in the Classroom”
  3 p.m. – 5 p.m., National Archives Auditorium
See page 13 • Contact: 202/393-0090

**Department of Veterans Affairs Display of Disabled Veterans Art**
10 a.m. – 6 p.m. weekdays, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Saturdays through Monday, November 30 • Very Special Arts Gallery, 1331 F Street N.W. • Contact: Avery Beeson 202/628-2800

**The Standing Tall-Together Vietnam Veterans Day Celebration Dance**
7:00 p.m. – 3:00 a.m., Grand Ballroom of the Washington Hilton Hotel • 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., $20 admission/cash bar • Contact: 301/951-9610

**Bravo Awards Banquet**
7:30 p.m., Sheraton National, Columbia Pike and Washington Blvd., Arlington, Virginia • Contact: 703/521-1900

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- See previous entry for complete details.
Ten years after its dedication, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, our memorial, The Wall, stands for and has absorbed the pain and grieving of our generation's comrades in arms, and that of their families, and that of a Nation shaken at its foundations by the loss of its sense of self and more than 58,000 of its best and brightest. The Wall is our victory, the Nation's victory, our closure. It has achieved what we couldn't. It has won the "hearts and minds" of Americans.

Harry G. Robinson, III
Dean, Howard University School of Architecture

The Wall is barely visible from the upper floors of the State Department, yet it can never be far from gaze of our diplomats. As Secretary of State, it reminded me that the American people are willing to sacrifice, but their government has the duty to weigh its choices carefully and consider the consequences before risking American lives. This is, and must be, the firm conviction of every post-Vietnam War generation.

James Baker III
Chief of Staff
Senior Counselor to the President

The polished black stone (of the Wall) not only reflects the respectful visitors who pass in front of it but also reaches out to bring into its reflection the trees and the clouds and the sky. Thus, it surrounds the names of those who gave their lives with nature's tribute as well as the tribute of those who came to honor the departed heroes.

Michael Davison, General, U.S. Army (Ret.)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

VVMF Film Festival
10:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., American Film Institute, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, New Hampshire Avenue at F Street, N.W. • See page 14 • Contact: 202/393-0090

Marine Corps Birthday Celebration – Marine Corps League
11 a.m., Iwo Jima Memorial (Virginia) • Contact: 703/207-9588

William Joiner Center Seminar Presentation on Concerns of Veterans
1 p.m. – 4 p.m., Dirksen Senate Building, Capitol Hill • Contact: Paul Camacho 617/287-5850

Vietnam Seabee Reunion and Mixer
3 p.m. – 8 p.m., Navy Museum, Washington Navy Yard Bldg. 76 • Contact: Capt. O'Connell 703/325-0556 for $15 per person tickets

Third Annual Vietnam Veterans Institute Banquet and Ball
6 p.m. – 12 midnight, Capital Hilton, 16th and K Streets N.W. • Contact: Jerry Yates 202/393-1000

Marine Corps Cake Cutting Ceremony, Slide Show and Dinner
6 p.m. – 7 p.m., Sheraton City Centre Hotel, 1143 New Hampshire Avenue N.W. • Contact: 202/775-0800

DMZ to Delta Dance – Northern Virginia VVA
8 p.m. – 1 a.m., Sheraton National, Columbia Pike and Washington Blvd., Arlington, Virginia • Contact: 703/751-3119
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VETERANS DAY – WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

"Reading the Names" – Conclusion of the VVMF Name Reading Ceremony
9 a.m., Vietnam Veterans Memorial

"Morning Quarters"
8 a.m., Seabee Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery (Virginia) • 8:45 a.m., Coffee Mess and Sea Stories, Arlington Cemetery • Contact: Capt. O'Connell 703/325-0556

American War Mothers' Veterans Day Ceremony
10 a.m., U.S. Capitol • Contact: 202/462-2791

National Veterans Day Committee Ceremony
11 a.m., Arlington National Cemetery Memorial Amphitheater (Virginia) • Contact: Chris Scheer 202/555-8458

VVMF 10th Anniversary Veterans Day Commemoration Ceremony
1 p.m., Vietnam Veterans Memorial • Contact: 202/393-0090

➤ See previous entry for complete details.
Until the day we "find ourselves" again as a country, we – the Vietnam War generation – have the Vietnam Veterans Memorial as a place to go to remember and reflect upon that conflagration’s effect upon our own lives, our family, our friends and our country. And to grieve.

Country Joe McDonald
Musician

Throughout history the media, art and memorials have focused on the men who fight wars. But now for the first time in our nation a memorial honoring American military women will be placed in Washington, D.C. – on the site of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. A bronze multigure sculpture will portray women as they looked in Vietnam – and will reflect their service with bravery, compassion and strength. Silent no more, veterans and thousands of Americans will come to Washington, D.C., on Veterans Day 1993 at the dedication of the Vietnam Women’s Memorial to say “Thank You” to all those who gave so much.

Diane Carlson Evans, R.N.
Chair and Founder
Vietnam Women’s Memorial Project

The Wall may be the most healing monument ever built. It heals because it tells the stark truth that is frequently ignored by both memorials and decision-makers: namely, that war kills large numbers of individual human beings with names. In that way the Wall provides precisely the authenticity that Vietnam veterans have constantly sought and have so often been denied.

Robert Jay Lifton, M.D.
Psychiatrist/PTSD expert

I.B.P.O. Elks of the World Veterans Day Luncheon and Dance
2:30 p.m., Historic Elks Home, 1445 3rd Street N.W. • Contact: Imogene Stewart 202/512-2356 or 202/797-7460

VVA March
8:30 a.m., Constitution Avenue, N.W. from 7th Street west to 20th Street • 202/628-2700

VVA Affinity Rally
2:30 – 5:30 p.m., East Knoll of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial • Contact: 202/628-2700

VVA Women Veterans Reunion Dinner
6:30 p.m., Tivoli restaurant, Rosslyn Metro Mall (Virginia) • Contact: 202/628-2700

Pandora Presents Fiction and Art: Women Living With War
8 p.m., 2029 Allen Place, N.W. in Adams Morgan • Contact: Sibbie O’Sullivan 301/942-0245

“In Country: Songs of the Vietnam War” Austin City Limits television program (PBS)
Consult your local TV listings for time
➢ RE’UNION ’92
➢ VVMF Art Exhibit
➢ Veterans of the Vietnam War National Convention
➢ The Standing Tall-Together Hospitality Tent
➢ New Way Recovery Program (until 6 p.m.)
➢ VVMF Welcome Center and Information Tent (until 6 p.m.)
➢ VA Readjustment Counseling
➢ Prayer Room for Remembrance and Reflection
➢ Marine Corps Information Center
➢ VA Art Exhibit

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Vietnam Women’s Memorial Project Plaque Ceremony
10 a.m., Site of the Vietnam Women’s Memorial, 300 feet southeast of the three servicemen statue • Contact: 202/328-7253

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund offers our best wishes to the Vietnam Women’s Memorial Project as they plan their 1993 dedication.

VVA National Leadership Conference
1 p.m. Radisson Plaza Hotel at Mark Center (Alexandria, VA) • Registration 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. • Contact: 202/628-2700
➢ VVMF Art Exhibit
➢ The Standing Tall-Together Hospitality Tent (until midnight)
➢ VA Readjustment and Benefits Counseling (until 8 a.m.)
➢ VA Art Exhibit

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13

➢ VVMF Art Exhibit
➢ VA Art Exhibit
➢ VVA National Leadership Conference

OCTOBER 28 – JUNE 1993

Beyond The Wall Exhibit
An exhibit of articles left by visitors at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial opens October 28 at the Smithsonian’s National Museum of American History (Constitution Avenue between 12th and 14th Streets). The special 10th Anniversary exhibit will remain on display until June 1993. Contact Beyond the Wall at 703/968-0100.
➢ See previous entry for complete details.
Although there is no glory inherent in war itself, there is dignity without measure in the memories we share, in the sacrifices we honor and in the prayers we offer. So let those who have fallen rest. Let the drums of war cease. And let this sacred place, now 10 years old, inspire us and guide us for decades and decades to come.

John Kerry
U.S. Senator
Chairman
House Veterans Affairs Committee

Simple in design, yet complex in purpose, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial has become a symbol of America’s increasing willingness to listen to those who survived the war and its desire to remember those who didn’t. The Vietnam Veterans Memorial gave the nation a way to offer its love and appreciation to some of our best and bravest. More than just a structure to view or touch, it is an experience, a solemn and powerful place that you cannot walk away from; it and the warriors it honors remain in your heart, where they rightfully belong.

G.V. (Sonny) Montgomery
U.S. Representative

Vietnam Veterans Memorial Event Sites

- "Reading the Names"
- RE•UNION '92 - EDS-VVMF computer locator service
- Veterans Information Tent
- Veterans Reunions
- VVMF Concert at the Sylvan Theater
- Salute to Homeless Veterans
- Support Services
- Veterans Day Ceremony

Other Locations in Washington

- I Art Exhibit - U.S. Navy Memorial
- J Symposium on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial - National Building Museum
- K A Day at the Archives - National Archives Auditorium
- L AFI Film Festival - John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts
- M National Cathedral Prayer Room

VVMF 10TH ANNIVERSARY EVENTS November 6-11, 1992

A "Reading the Names" Vietnam Veterans Memorial
Sunday, November 8 - Wednesday, November 11
24 hours per day

Historic reading of the 58,183 names etched into the black granite recited for the first time at the Memorial. The ceremony will begin at 12 noon on Sunday, November 8, with a West Point color guard posting the American flag and the flags of each of the five branches of the service. Every half-hour a new honor guard will stand guard as the names are recited. Name readers will be changed every five minutes. Requests to read a specific name have been honored. The ceremony will continue 24 hours per day until 9 a.m. on Wednesday, November 11, when all the names have been read.

B RE•UNION '92 - EDS-VVMF Computer Locator Service
22nd Street and Constitution Avenue
Wednesday, November 4 - Wednesday, November 11
24 hours per day

EDS and VVMF are providing a computer locator service designed to help put veterans, their friends, and families together again. The service will begin on Wednesday, November 4 at 7 a.m. and continue 24 hours per day until 5 p.m. Wednesday, November 11. RE•UNION '92 computer terminals will be located at sites around town including: the EDS Pavilion near the Wall; the U.S. Navy Memorial, 701 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.; the Smithsonian's Museum of American History "Beyond the Wall" exhibit, Constitution Avenue and 13th Street, N.W.; Marine Corps Information Center at the Sheraton City Centre Hotel, at 21st and M Street, N.W.; and the Hotel Washington, 15th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Registration forms are available on-site. Vets and their families will be able to walk up to one of the registration sites and receive a print-out that has location information of any other registered vet. The service will be staffed by EDS volunteers and others.
The Vietnam Veterans Memorial, with its permanently engraved listing of the names of our soldiers, will forever remind us that we have an obligation of immense importance to assist and appreciate and understand our Vietnam veterans.

George McGovern
Former U.S. Senator

Very rarely do all 100 U.S. Senators join together in introducing a legislative proposal, but they did so for Vietnam veterans. They were prescient in recognizing and representing the sentiment of the overwhelming majority of Americans who wanted to extend heart and hand to the men and women who had fought in the jungles of Southeast Asia. This message is embodied in the stone of the Wall and has been felt by every visitor who stood before it in the 10 years it has enhanced the Mall in Washington.

Charles McC. Mathias, Jr.
Former U.S. Senator

You can see how many broken hearts have been honored by their son’s or daughter’s name being etched in the beautiful black marble. The Wall has been a source of healing for the mothers as well as the veterans that served this country. I wish every mother could come to see the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and experience the feeling that her son or daughter is remembered for their supreme sacrifice.

Emogene Cupp
Gold Star Mothers

C VVMF Welcome Center and Veterans Information Tent
22nd Street and Constitution Avenue
Saturday, November 7 - Wednesday, November 11
24 hours per day

VVMF Welcome Center and veterans-related groups distribute literature and assist veterans with general questions. The VVMF Welcome Center, located in the Information Tent, will be in operation 7 a.m. Saturday, November 7 through 1 p.m. Wednesday, November 11 and will provide a chart with each organizations’ location in the tent and hours of operations. The Veterans Information tent will be open 24 hours a day, and participating organizations will determine their own hours of operation and staff.

D Veterans Reunions, 22nd Street and Constitution Avenue
Saturday, November 7 - Wednesday, November 11
24 hours per day

Veterans’ unit signs will be posted around the outer edge of field at 22nd Street and Constitution Avenue for veterans to reunite with their old friends and will make a good backdrop for photos.

E VVMF Outdoor Concert – The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Salute
Sylvan Theater, Washington Monument grounds near Independence Avenue
Saturday, November 7, 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

This free outdoor concert – rain or shine – will showcase bands and individuals performing songs that are especially meaningful to Vietnam veterans. Many of the performers are Vietnam veterans themselves, and this will be a rare opportunity to gather both audience and artists who together have shared so much.

Britt Small and Festival will kick off the show at 11:00 a.m. This versatile group is well known on the veterans scene. This "All-American Showband" plays everything from Big Band to Top 40, and always with a patriotic beat.

From 1:00-2:00 p.m., The Army Blues Jazz Ensemble (Pershing’s Own) will offer selections of traditional and contemporary big band music, featuring both instrumental and vocal selections. The Army Blues is keeping the big band tradition alive and will make a spirited addition to today’s salute to the Vietnam Veteran.

From 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. performers will present a unique variety of songs and pieces written expressly about the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and the veterans experience, like "Time to Lay It Down," "Forgotten Heroes," "United By the Wall." The performers will include Mike Martin and Tim Holiday, Joleen Benoit, Tom Drury, Jonathan Edwards, Johnny Biscayne, John Black, Marie Zirby, Ben Mason, Phil Woodall, Jim Cava, Harvey and Karen Brown, Len Doolen and Bobby Curtis, Max Sidders, Laurence White, Terrianne Steinhauser among others.

Tony Diamond, who has given voice to veterans’ concerns through his BRAVO newspapers and television programs, will emcee the show and perform parts of the comedy routine he did 20 years ago when he toured Vietnam entertaining the troops.
The genius of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial - the Wall - is the names. To those of us who served and lost comrades, the display of the names makes the Memorial intensely meaningful, genuine, and tangible. When I visit the Wall I always touch the name of a lost comrade and that touching creates an intense memory in my mind of that person who died 20 or more years ago. I remember the camaraderie, the esprit de corps, the sense of belonging to something important where self-sacrifice was what was expected. The Vietnam Veterans Memorial is an emotional balm and a superbly fitting monument to those who served.

Alan L. Gropman
Col., USAF (Ret.)
Professor
Industrial College of the Armed Forces

The dedication of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial 10 years ago represented a significant milestone in the very important process of healing that our nation has undergone since the end of the conflict in Southeast Asia. As a veteran of this conflict who served an extended combat tour with the 173rd Airborne Brigade, I feel a personal bond with the many Americans who died, or who lost friends or family members, during this very difficult period. Indeed, the Memorial contains the names of many soldiers who died at my side, as well as the names of seventeen of my West Point classmates who made the ultimate sacrifice for freedom.

Robert M. Kimmitt
U.S. Ambassador
to Germany
The Wall exists to immortalize those who fell, give succor and comfort to those who loved them, grant closure to those who served by their side, and no less importantly, say to those who chose to place themselves apart from the National Service, "Come closer, brother and sister. We who fell can now sleep at peace for we shall never be forgotten. Let us again be one people. Honor us by doing in our name what Death has prevented us from doing ourselves: be righteous stewards of our beloved country by bringing peace and justice to the land.

Lionel Chetwynd
Film Director/Screenwriter

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This memorial has become a unifying symbol for all who have died in war... The meaning of the Wall has become enlarged. It is a real coming together. People are proud to be associated with this memorial. It's okay to be a Vietnam Veteran, and we thank you.

Rose Lee
National President
Gold Star Wives of America

Thanks to Maya Lin's brilliant, black, unconsoling wall, a limit was set to the official lies and euphemisms about the horrible Vietnam war: A stunning and perfect paradox: the Wall is the most beautiful of all scars, neither above the ground nor below the ground but a place where death inhabits life. And so the truth of the war, its deadliness, was reclaimed from amnesia — and from rationalization, rhetoric, the calculating boosterism of governments. The war's last image properly rested where it belonged, to the names of the lost.

Todd Gitlin
Author/Professor,
UC-Berkeley

Salute to Homeless Veterans at 23rd and Constitution Avenue
Saturday, November 7, 12 noon-3 p.m.

The VVMF, in conjunction with D.C. Central Kitchen, will provide a nutritionally balanced meal for homeless veterans and their families. VVMF will provide as many as 1,000 meals to veterans and will distribute any remaining food to area shelters that assist homeless veterans. VVMF has planned and coordinated this event with area shelters, homeless veterans advocates and veterans organizations. In addition to Congressman Lane Evans, D.A.V.'s Jesse Brown, actor Troy Evans, Gold Star Mothers President Violet Long and CCNV's Carol Fennelly, a large number of volunteers have agreed to serve food to the veterans and their families. The "Salute" will also include a variety of support for and about Homeless Veterans. Further, VVMF has requested that the Department of Veterans Affairs provide medical screening, readjustment counseling and veterans benefits information. This event is co-sponsored by Hecht's and the Michigan State Council of VVA.

Support Services at 22nd, 23rd Streets and Constitution Avenue
Friday, November 6 - Wednesday, November 11
24 hours per day

At 22nd and Constitution Avenue, N.W., the Department of Veterans Affairs Readjustment and Benefits Counseling Program will provide individual and group counseling beginning at 4 p.m. Friday, November 6 and continuing 24 hours per day through 8 a.m. Thursday, November 12. At 23rd and Constitution, in conjunction with VVMF, the New Way Recovery Program will provide Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous services beginning at 6 p.m. Friday, November 6 and continuing 24 hours per day through 6 p.m. Wednesday, November 11.

10th Anniversary Veterans Day Commemoration — Vietnam Veterans Memorial
Wednesday, November 11, 1 p.m.

The 1992 Veteran's Day Ceremony at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial will conclude the Wall's 10th Anniversary commemoration. Ceremony participants will include Vietnam veteran and former hostage Terry Anderson, Vietnam veteran and football star Rocky Bleier, Vietnam Women's Memorial Project President Diane Evans, VVMF President Jan Scruggs, and other dignitaries. Various veterans organizations will participate by laying wreaths at the Wall.

Art Exhibit — U.S. Navy Memorial at 701 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Monday, November 2 - Sunday, November 15
Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Sunday 12 noon-5 p.m.

Free exhibit of combat soldier art from the military branches' collections. These representational paintings were drawn in Vietnam by soldiers. They depict real scenes from the Vietnam War. The diversity of paintings will allow veterans from each branch of the service to reflect on their experiences. Sculpture and painting from "American Society of Military and Combat Artists" will also be exhibited. These modern works present veterans' continuing emotional struggle for self-acceptance and societal approval.
As millions of Americans come to Washington each year to tour the Nation's Capital, I am pleased that the Vietnam Veterans Memorial has become an essential stop for most visitors. It is a moving sight, a moving tribute and a moving force behind America's newfound respect and admiration for every single man and woman who served so honorably in Southeast Asia. As a fellow veteran, I am proud to salute them all as we solemnly remember their sacrifice, especially those courageous Americans whose names we honor on the Wall.

Bob Dole
U.S. Senator

I found the panel containing the names from my last day in the war, and realized there were more than fourteen panels of names from my year in Vietnam. Fourteen. Thousands and thousands of names, many of which had been my patients over that long, tough year. I could not remember any of their names, but they all looked familiar. In the hours, the weeks, the years I've spent by my panels, they've all become mine. The memories, the lives, the kids — they all became mine. The war took them all away from me. The Wall gave them back.

Lynda Van Devanter
Nurse/Author

Let us hope that Americans do not ever face such manipulations behind the scenes of powerful persons who glorify their misguided purposes as a holy war.

Sarah McClendon
Journalist

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Symposium on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial
National Building Museum Auditorium, 401 F Street, N.W.
Friday, November 6, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

This symposium will explore the Vietnam Veterans Memorial: its conception, its design, its healing quality. Participants include Fine Arts Commissioner Charles Atherton, Washington Post architect critic Benjamin Forgey, National Veterans Foundation president Shad Meshad, Shrapnel in the Heart author Laura Palmer, PTSD expert Chaim Shatan, M.D., and VVMF President Jan Scruggs.

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A Day at the Archives
National Archives Auditorium, 7th and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Monday, November 9, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

9-11 a.m. Teaching Vietnam I: What's Good, What's Bad, and What's Possible
This panel of education innovators will explore a variety of educational trends and models for teaching the Vietnam experience to students, as well as to the general public at large. The audience should come away with a critical overview of how our schools are teaching the war, an understanding of the state-of-art teaching materials and methods, and a clear idea about what the high schools, colleges and organizations in their own communities can do to educate people about the lessons and realities of the Vietnam conflict. This panel will be of interest to anyone — veteran or non-veteran — who may be concerned about the state of teaching Vietnam, and will provide an excellent overview for those planning to attend the afternoon presentation.

12 noon-2 p.m. Seminar with Vietnam Veteran Authors: Have We Told The Story?
Marc Leepson, arts editor for The Veteran, will moderate this discussion of Vietnam veterans who have published books about their experiences and will explore how the crucible of war forged their lives and their outlooks. Panelists include: Jack Estes—A Field of Innocence, Rod Kane—Veterans Day, Shad Meshad—Captain for Dark Mornings, Pulitzer Prize winning Lew Puller—Fortunate Son, and Lynda Van Devanter—Home Before Morning. Book signing will follow the program.

3-5 p.m. Teaching Vietnam II: Telling the Real Story: Veterans in the Classroom
This presentation/workshop reveals how veterans can play a powerful role in educating students about the Vietnam War. This event is directed to Vietnam veterans, teachers, and parents concerned about how Vietnam is taught in classrooms, but it should be of interest to anyone concerned with new trends in teaching the war. Audience participation is built into portions of the presentation, "Telling the Real Story".

All presentations are free and open to the public.
It is to the healing that all Americans must now turn their attention as we celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the Memorial. No struggle since the Civil War has so riven our people. No issue has raised such passions. As a nation, we must put those divisions behind us, recognizing that honorable men and women honestly disagreed over our nation's course. In its stark and somber beauty, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial can help bring about a reconciliation of which all Americans can be proud.

Henry Kissinger
Former Secretary of State

Bringing the Vietnam Veterans Memorial into reality was not easy nor was it pleasant, much like the Vietnam War itself. In the end, however, the Memorial is a reflection of a generation of Americans who served honorably and with courage. Perhaps my life's greatest honor was being a part of the building of the Memorial.

Robert W. Spanogle
National Adjutant
The American Legion

On this 10th Anniversary I promise to dedicate myself to continuing efforts to obtain recognition by our government of its responsibility for American veterans of Vietnam. I ask that you join me in showing that our government does not forget our Vietnamese counterparts whose suffering also continues.

Elmo Zumwalt Jr.
Admiral, U.S. Navy (Ret.)

L AFI Film Festival – John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts
New Hampshire Avenue at Rock Creek Parkway
Tuesday, November 10, 10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

VVMF, in conjunction with the American Film Institute, will provide a day of free Vietnam War related films, directed by Vietnam veterans. Directors will introduce works and answer questions afterwards.

10:30 a.m. Patrick Duncan, programs from his HBO War Stories and Medal of Honor series
12:45 p.m. VVMF's Women and the Vietnam War: Those Who Went and Those Who Stayed Behind
1:15 p.m. VVMF's The Color of the Vietnam War: Race Relations in the U.S. Military
1:45 p.m. Peter Rollins, The Battle of Khe Sanh
3:00 p.m. Doun Rose, The Warriors Project
4:15-5:30 Stephen Peck, Heart of the Warrior

M National Cathedral Prayer Room – National Cathedral
Wisconsin and Massachusetts Avenues, N.W.
Saturday, November 7 - Wednesday, November 11, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

The National Cathedral will provide a prayer room for remembrance and reflection. Each day at noon there will be a prayer service in the War Memorial Chapel. On Sunday, November 8, the 11 a.m. service will be dedicated to Vietnam veterans. The National Cathedral is a "House of Prayer" and persons of all faiths are welcome to worship.
More than a memorial, what was created here 10 years ago has become a special place of pilgrimage. It stands as a symbol of America's long-awaited welcome home to those who served in Vietnam. Once that welcome was heard and understood, we could begin to heal the wounds and close this anguished chapter in our history.

Robert G. Stanton
Regional Director
National Park Service

This Wall rose not in the flush of victory, or in the fullness of a nation's ready gratitude. It staggered into majesty by the power of remembrance, long after the dead had earned their place on its mirrored face, long after America had buried them in its shuddering soul. What a miracle that it stands at all.

Those who know the names come to find and honor them, weeping before the silence of the brave. But where are those who in that dark age heard the call to arms and turned away? To protest, to flee, to erase the memory. And if one day they stand to face its marble truth, what will they say?

Liz Trotta
Television Correspondent
/Author

When it was dedicated, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial immediately declared it was a place that would not let America forget. The names of those lost in Southeast Asia, etched in black granite, became a focal point for introspection, for dialogue and – ultimately – for healing.

Joseph C. Zengerle
National Commander
Disabled American Veterans

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There is a powerful reason that the Vietnam Memorial continues to beckon many Americans to its quiet sanctuary. fittingly designed by a woman of Asian descent, she holds us at attention until we say: these young Americans served more honorably, and believed in our ideals more fully than those who, consumed by obsolete illusions, sent them to their early end. Let us pray for leadership which never again deceives the innocent, and thus let us turn this grave place into a garden of wisdom.

Tom Hayden
California Assemblyman

When I think of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, six words always come to mind: freedom, healing, challenge, survival, dreams, and ultimately fulfillment... If we are going to make the sacrifice of those who died worthwhile then we owe it to them to make our country move ahead and realize all that it can be in its new role as world leader.

George B. Price
Brig. Gen., U.S.A. (Ret.)

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J. Carter Brown
Chairman
The Commission of Fine Arts
The Wall has certainly provided healing for veterans and for the larger society. It is almost a religious symbol. It would be impossible to consider the impact of the Wall without some attention paid to the religious, moral, and psychological significance of it. The Wall embodies the rediscovery and meaning through a physical symbol of a tragic event. Farewells uttered to loved ones and friends, healing of spiritual hurts, and reconciliation with society can all take place at the Wall because it is a material, tangible reality that symbolizes a much larger dimension of being.

Shad Meshad
President
National Veterans Foundation

Ten years after the dedication of the Memorial is an appropriate time to reflect... It is especially timely now, as so many Americans are beginning to come to terms with the divisions that Vietnam created so many years ago, and to recognize that it is a shared national experience that reflects the idealism of all Americans — those who served, those who sought an earlier end to the conflict, and most important, those who led the way to national reconciliation by making the Memorial a reality... It should cause all Americans to ponder the sacred obligation we have to those who wear this nation's uniform.

George J. Mitchell
U.S. Senate Majority Leader

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**Honor guards from the following organizations and groups took part in "Reading the Names" during the 10th Anniversary of the Wall. Their contribution to the ceremony is deeply appreciated.**

United States Military Academy • United States Coast Guard Academy • The Citadel • Veterans of the Vietnam War
• D.C. National Guard • VVA Chapter 16 • Vietnam Veterans of Topeka • Cleo Joseph Post 149 • Pittsburgh Vet Center • Military District of Washington • National Guard • American Legion Post 248 • Wisconsin Vietnam Veterans • West Virginia Honor Guard • Shrapnel in the Heart • Louisianna State University AFROTC • Michigan State University AFROTC • Illinois Institute of Technology AFROTC • United States Air Force Academy • Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute AFROTC • Kansas City Marine Association • Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 458 • Vietnam Veterans of Vermont • Lou Diamond Attachment • Lake County Vietnam • College of William & Mary AFROTC • Maryland 83rd AFROTC • Johns Hopkins University AFROTC • University of Kentucky AFROTC Det. 290 • Ladies’ Auxiliary Post 9619 • Paralyzed Veterans of America, Green Country Chapter • Maryland Det 330 Ceremonial Guard • Sabre Drill Team of the University of Akron • Westover AFB Honor Guard • West Virginia National Guard • Hawaiian Honor Guard • Vietnam Veterans of America • VF Post 327 • AROTC of the Kemper Military School • State of Delaware VFW • German Embassy • Greater Southern Vietnam Veterans • VF Post 8458 • Calvert NJROTC • Dusters, Quads and Searchlights • Girl Scouts of America • Australian Embassy • Jewish War Veterans of America • Maguire AFB Air National Guard Honor Guard • Fairfax County American Legion Post • Byron Kulland Chapter 487 • The Old Guard • Military District of Washington Multi-Service Color Guard

**All 58,183 names on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial are being read aloud during a special four-day ceremony called "Reading the Names." More than 800 volunteers are taking part in this special part of the Wall's 10th Anniversary. Their names are listed here in order of participation.**

Jan Scruggs • Adrian Cronauer • Jack Fish • Rod Geer • Chuck Hagel • Tom Hagel • Kieu Chinh • Bob Cox • James Taljan • Joy Taljan • Mike Weidle • Jan Yapcavage • Otis Nash • Henry Potts • Duane Kamp • Anne Daniels • Larry Brim • Alice Crowley • Glenn Loy • Lane Evans • Jesse Brown • Wayne Smith • Troy Evans • Frank Roessner • Joan Ea • Fred Hofstedter • Jeff White • Bob Teal • Bob Vincent • Gwen Leinhauser • Dan Quirnen • Shirley Helt • Tom Cain • Debby Loy • Jack Mitch • Gail Mitch • Ernestine Merriman • Sarah Labricicosa • Jeanne Douglas and group • Mike Roy • Ward Downey and group • Richard Payne • Frank Faas • Ryan Faas • Marie Martone • Eileen Marchwinski • Michael Dugan • Kim Theobald • Russell E. Kelly • Jack O’Neal • Chad Spake • Phillip Straw • Rebecca Straw • Amy Straw • Emily Straw • Joe Hanebrick • Bill Walker • Art Timko • William Garah • David Lumsford • William Maddox • Edward Peasley • Gary Prehauser • Earl Burns • Eunice Gray • Bobbie Keith • Emmeline Gura • Evan Morgan • Anne Marie Riha • Dennis Crouch and group • Tony Diamond • Canina Hedeck • Dondi Germano • Charlotte Littman • Darlene McMorris • John Rickards • Cheryl Rickards • Jan Frank • James Wangelin • William Throckmorton • Richard Fuchland • Dick Miller • Ken Reed • Adolfo Cruz • Carol Stellag • Mary Jane Pettibon • Sarah Hoerner • Peggi Manegakis • Hal Lowder • Mark Arnold • Gerald Beeman • Tony Cappio • John Melan • and group • Ernest Muro • Charles Nordman • Stephen Dalrymple • Sandra McMinn • John Van der Nailen • Bridget Flanagan • John Gossart • Mike McMasters • Eugene Foley • Mike McKeve • Diane Grass • Lenny Pugliese • Adena Scheinker • Pat Deluca • Kathy Underwood • Debbie Snyder • Greg Snyder • Frank Morello • Annamarie Emmet • Raymond Cow army • Ruth Foster • Suzanne Signa • Bob Jackson • Al Snyder • George Short • Terry O'Donnell • William Schmitt • William Schmid • Kathy Ferguson • Marie Stepanek • Jim Stepanek and the Valor group • John Dufnum • David Lavender • Karen Lavender • Bernard Masini • Paul Sutton • Ann Marie Rizzo • Michelle Britt • Joseph Renaghan • Ed Moore • Susan Backs • Diane Kabe • Jimmie Wilder • Kathryn Kaeht • Joanne Nyberg • Mary Gibson • Les Robinson • Karen Valentine • John Dezso • Frank Porportage • Mike Hart • Erlyce Pekas • Jerry Crawford • Pablo Stewart • Ward Downey and group • Helen Bursley-Mourier • Helen Burgess and group • Jim Woolsey • Gene Bagin • Patrick Quigley • Suzanne Kaye • Dan Bealer • Paula Smith • Sue Beeler • Minhda Wheeler • Bill Cummings • Herman Nicely • John Murdock • Nancy Joyner and group • Harry Lawrence • Roger Deckhaus • Sandra Deckhaus • Larry Newman • Red Cross • Diane Stiegel • Larry Copeland • Darrell Alexander • Jeanette Alexander • Jim Roach • Gwenda Roach • Jerry Bradley • Margaret Hopkins • Bob Beller • John Pietho • Jerry Phillips • Robert Grossley • Judy Grossley • Robert Grossley • Jr. • William Schimp • Gene Deutscher • Brenda Cotter • Jacob Eppehier • Bill Walker • Peter Pritchard • Morley Sater • Joel Swerdlow • Jack Clark • Roger Riekert • Fran Riekert • Henry Potts • Leonard Garnad • J.D. Caldron • James Karasoulis • Rick Kraus • Pat Holdsworth • Pete Miller • Margaret Glaser • Lee Adriani
It is my hope, on this 10th anniversary of the dedication of this memorial, that my fellow Vietnam veterans and I will be remembered not as veterans who fought a losing war but rather as American patriots who were willing to put our very lives on the line despite the timidity and loss of will of political leaders entrusted with providing a just and moral basis for our sacrifice. Today, let us remind ourselves that war and the terrible price it exacts can no longer be an acceptable way to settle disputes among men of good will.

Larry W. Rivers
Executive Director
Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

How could this memorial have once been the focal point of such controversy? It is now the most revered monument in Washington. Americans like Daniel Cahill and Gerald Mullin, two young men from my home area, now live on not only in the memories of their families and friends — but in the granite walls of this memorial, which simply by listing their names has helped heal wounds that divided a generation.

David Bonior
U.S. Representative

The men and women listed here served as unpaid volunteers in a variety of roles during the 10th Anniversary. Their hard work, dedication and cheerful enthusiasm will be remembered.

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Robert H. Frank, VVMF Secretary/Treasurer, served in the Army Reserves during the Vietnam Era. He is the Managing Partner of Frank & Company, pc. which provides audit, tax and management services to a variety of large and small non-profit organizations, businesses and individuals. Mr. Frank is a certified public accountant, a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and various state societies, and is involved in a variety of philanthropic organizations.

Ronald F. Gibbs served as an Army infantry office in Vietnam. He is President of Gibbs & Co., a government relations and public affairs firm in Chicago. He was a Congressional Fellow for the Carter administration and served as the chief lobbyist for the city of Chicago in Washington, D.C. Mr. Gibbs holds a Masters degree from Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government.

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