

VETERANS DAY IS A TIME TO REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED AND TO THOSE WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR LIVES TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE THIS NATION. IN 1954 CONGRESS CHANGED "ARMISTICE DAY" THAT WAS CELEBRATED ON NOVEMBER 11, TO VETERANS DAY TO HONOR ALL VETERANS.

Military Veterans of all wars, came home to celebrations and welcomes and were treated like the heroes they were, **But this Honor was not bestowed on the Vietnam Veterans.** 



ON MARCH 29, 2017, PRESIDENT TRUMP SIGNED THE LAW MAKING MARCH 29 THE DESIGNATED DATE FOR:

## NATIONAL VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY

Unlike any other time in this nation's history, Veterans and Active Duty personnel in all the branches of the military were vilified and attacked. The Veterans returning from Vietnam were heckled, spit on, beaten and even killed by the likes of Jane Fonda and her treasonous friends and followers. Unfortunately, Vietnam War Veterans were even turned down for membership at many Veteran of Foreign War Organizations (VFW'S) because they were told "You were only in a "Police Action", not a real war. (Incredible, but TRUE!)

I was stationed in a town where some of the stores and restaurants had signs in the windows that said, "No dogs or airmen allowed". One night, a pick up truck drove by the front gate and threw out the body of a young airman that had been beaten to death simply because he had been called by his Country and was serving in the military.

9,087,000 men and women served during the Vietnam era from August 5, 1964 to March 29, 1973. 58,220 of these brave men and women were Killed in Action. 304,000 more were wounded. Thousands more have died since the end of the war from wounds and illness sustained because of their injuries, PTSD, exposure to chemicals, disease and inadequate V.A. medical care. Many more are still Missing in Action or are POW's. They are gone, but NOT forgotten.

Of those who served 2,709,918 served in the theater, 648,500 of these were draftees.

Dan Bullock, was Killed in Action on August 5, 1969. He was 15 years old. Six other KIA's were just 16. Dwaine Mc Griff gave his life at the age of 63.

Over 3,400 Texans gave their lives in Vietnam, some of these are:

**Weimar:** MSG. SGT. Edgar James Brossman

**Round Top:** SGT. Harold Paul Degner

**La Grange:** PFC. Robert James Stavinoha

**Fayetteville:** SGT. Arnold John Kulhanek, PFC. Robert Eugene Urbanovsky, CORP. Rickard A. Oman

**Columbus:** SPC. 4 Teddy Roosevelt Jordan, PFC. John Janak, SGT. Leonard Robinson

**Schulenberg:** SPC. 4 Edward Hugo Beyer, CAPT. Floyd Wayne Kaase

It is not too late to give a special "thank you" and "welcome home" to Vietnam Veterans and let them know how grateful we are for their sacrifice. Today these veterans are portrayed as losers, criminals and crazies, in the movies and T. V. Certainly, we owe thanks to all Veterans, but on Thursday, March 29, it won't hurt to give a special thanks to those who were treated so wickedly by those who professed to be Americans. We can't change the treatment these men and women received, but we can recognize their loyalty and sacrifice of serving their country when they were called.

## Please Celebrate National Vietnam War Veterans Day this Friday, March 29, 2019 by recognizing and thanking the Veterans from the Vietnam Era.

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