

Bravo Regulars



B Company 3/22



Vietnam Service

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In Memory

Bravo Company 3rd Battalion 22nd Infantry

Combat Casualties



12/18/66	William J. Madsen	03/21/67	Charles R. Greer	02/19/68	Donald P. Roemer	01/16/69	Randall J. Wicklace
	Scott S. Webber		Virgil M. Ledford		Billy J. Brown	02/23/69	Scott M. Sibson
12/21/66	Edward L. Brock		Edward J. Muller		Bobbie E. Sikes	03/12/69	Franklin M. Lanier
	Marvin T. Hughes		Larry L. Warnock		John E. Milanowski	04/13/69	Louis Castro
	William D. Mullins	04/01/67	Allen S. Mican	02/23/68	Louis A. Martinez		Roger W. Hood
	Norman Toennies	04/08/67	Jimmy C. Harper	04/12/68	Edward C. Beckwith		Michael D. Howard
	Vincente Zuniga	04/10/67	Salvadore M. Nava		Alan P. Butkus	05/11/69	David A. Trinkala
01/21/67	Louis J. Wandler	06/02/67	Albert Graham, Jr.		John Cunningham, Jr.	06/06/69	William M. Crusie, Jr.
03/19/67	Marlin C. Eversgerd	07/06/67	Jerry R. Beebe		Robert W. Ellsworth	08/08/69	Bruce A. Eamick
	Jack M. Gosnell	08/19/67	Baxter H. Ellis		William E. Maxwell	10/05/69	Walter J. Hogans
	Robert L. Linn, Jr.	09/26/67	James R. Watanabe		Robert L. Melton, Jr.		Elvis E. Mullen
	Paul J. McGowan	10/22/67	Larry R. McDuffie		Glenn L. Moller, Jr.	10/25/69	Florencio Q. Marquez
	Louis Sass	11/01/67	Louis E. Armstead		Reynaldo N. Orozco	01/30/70	Luis A. Lebron
	Donald L. Schroeder		Bertmann E. Miller		David A. Strupp	02/16/70	George O. Boatwright
	Donald W. Walters	11/28/67	Darrell H. Morey		Donny G. Tidwell	03/28/70	Bobby G. Swanson, Jr.
	Rodney R. Weed	12/02/67	George L. Duplessis		Douglas R. Weiher	08/31/70	Gary R. Metz
	Thomas J. Dando	01/02/68	Odell Stokes, Jr.	05/14/68	Richard J. Beck, Jr.		James E. Duckworth
	Fred H. Patterson	01/15/68	Kenneth R. Howell		Edward D. Crow	10/02/70	William I. Allsbrook, Jr.
03/21/67	Herman E. Anders, Jr.		Ernest T. Martin		George L. Mundy, Jr.		Bruce J. Stickle
	Matthew D. Atkins III		Thomas R. Watts	09/11/68	Eldon D. Coldren, Jr.		David F. Tinsey
	Kenneth G. Blanton		Charles W. Irby		Lonnie E. Lundy		Jimmy W. Westbrook
	James R. Hintz		Richard H. Walker	09/20/68	Daniel B. Persons		Kit Carson Scout
	Brian F. Gibbons	01/31/68	Luey V. Holland	01/16/69	Roger A. Dixon	11/02/70	Bui V.T.
	Charles R. Goodwin	02/10/68	Robert R. Gray		Giuseppe Magri	11/13/70	Stephen J. Kaster
							Robert H. Gumm, Jr.

POST-COMBAT PASSINGS

1970—2003

Joe Rennison
 Charles W. Long
 David Reyes
 David R. Stalker
 Tex Richards
 Roscoe Greene Jr.
 James Clark
 Tom Vargo
 William Mosley
 Gary Patton
 Anthony Giavonni
 Hector Rosado
 John Ellison
 Lawrence Baughman
 Charles Sheldon
 Robert S. Schlegel
 Larry Augsburg
 David Blanton
 Wade McGowan
 Mark Rowan
 Douglas Wartella
 Dwight Jessup
 Herbert Pruitt
 Joe Lappie
 Jim Bakke
 Charles Burns
 Tommy Harris
 Peter McKenny
 John Glass
 Larry Jenkins
 Leroy Gregerson
 Ernest Mencchaca
 James R. Rhone
 Charles Dearden
 Franklin Benhart
 John Medicinetop
 Roy Davidson
 Robert Gregory
 Nolan Adams
 James Genoff
 Connell Brown
 John J. Roche
 Gerald Lyda
 Warner Surphin
 Larry Eason
 Allen Lavigan

1970—2003

Frank Roberts
 James L. Roedel
 Michael Nordstrom
 John A. Bender
 Edward Nidy
 Frank Blue
 William Madsen
2004
 James Jones
 Louis Phillips
 Randy Schick
2005
 Gary Reynolds
 John Howe
 William Samson
2006
 Jack Gaaney
 Gary P. Brown
 Michael Nordstrom
2007
 Alfred Warmley
 George Hicks
 Roger Beegle
 Ted Davis
2008
 Charles Rock
2009
 Larry Thomas
 Gary Tetting
 Robert Duncan
 Louis Biengiel
2010
 Steve Marcy
 Charles Putman
 Richard Wood
 Ernie Rice
2012
 Allen Bateman
 Alvin Bess
 Marion Hiers
 Tommy McCarney
 John Brockman
 Richard Prairie
 Robert Hemphill
 Terry Shipley
 Jose Cosme-Rivera

2012

Robert Ryan
 Darryle Fyank
2013
 Curtis Daniels, Jr.
 Albert Comeaux
 Joseph Mafort
 Nolan Price
2014
 Allen Peteet
 Peter Trappino
 Norm Bergsma
 Peter Heald
 Roger Clements
 Tom Ragazzino
2015
 Traczyk Williams
 Frederick Barlow
 Frederick Gray
 Ernest Williams
 Charles Ellis
 Gerald DePhillip
 Donny Tew
 Richard Wiltshire
 Kurley Dorthard
2016
 Allen Haskin
 Lester Lemon
 Richard Geib
 Richard Ward
 Perry Sheridan
 Patrick Hoffmann
 Dennis Earwood
 Johnny Larry
2017
 Mark Delong
 Benito Luna
 Lane Sterling
 Bruce Brinkman
 Mario Reyes
 Walt Shugart
 James Murphy
 Paul Fournier
 2018
 David Van Johnson
 Holger Graser

2018

John Kapior
 Bill Meachum
 Thomas Schenk
 Don Roberts
 Terry Marks
 Peter Sabala
2019
 Richard Blanchard
 Larry Young
 Doyle Poe
 James Thyne, Jr.
 Jack Wood
 Joel Shepitka
 Fred Michael, Jr.
 Ronny Dyer
 Steve Wilder
 Chester Gorski
2020
 John R. Bode
 Jack Zuverink
 Joe Stein
 Steve Orders
 Anthony Ardese
 Gordon 'Chet' Johnson
 Jerry Hadley
 Allen Crane
2021
 Charles Archer
 John Gority
 Harold Muladore
 Peter Linnemann
 Daniel Webster
 Paul Dell, Jr.
 Douglas Schlinkhout
 Quincy Richardson
2022
 Kenneth Kent
 Daniel Cordova
 James Costello
 John Otte
 Michael Restelle
 Ellison Lawson, Jr.
 Jim Grace
 Paul Gleason
 David Judkins

2023

Donald Barfield
 Dennis Rolfingsmeier
 Robert Closter
 L. C. Vickers
 Fran McRickard
 Fritz Humphries
 John Shoemaker
 Richard Swaisgood
 Joseph Franz
 William Turnpaugh
 Francisco Vega
 Andres Solis
 David Goetz
 Randolph Brogan
 William Marvin
 Joseph Sitton
 Thomas Ratigan
2024
 John Singleton
 Jimmie Duffield
 Mark Westrich
 Art Gormley
 James Jarreau
 Richard King
 Jerry Mondt
 Jerry Takacs
 Gery Schirado
 Mark Westrich
 Richard Ford
 Joe Hughes
 James Tyner
2025
 Howard Young
 Slim Trame
 Gary Reeves
 Larry Robinson
 Mark Onan
 Eugene Herron
 Ray Sprague
 Lloyd Albers
2026
 Jesse Childress



President's Message

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Hello Comrades,

Hoping that everyone is well, and hoping you had the opportunity to spend some time honoring and remembering our fallen heroes this Memorial Day.

Marge and I participated in two Memorial Day services. The first service in the morning was at a local cemetery in the county seat. The honor guard for this ceremony included the joint efforts of the Vietnam Veterans Chapter 269 and the local VFW. Three Bravo members, namely Carl Lammers, Don Schulte and myself, helped with the service. A floral bouquet provided by the Vietnam chapter was presented in honor of the fallen comrades. Later that afternoon, we attended the service at Whispering Pines of Clinton County, a retreat facility that is a huge supporter of veterans.

The Reunion Planning Committee is getting very excited, and has met several times, making plans for the October 2026 reunion in St. Rose, Illinois. The reunion dates are October 20, 21 and 22. Please mark your calendar! We are hoping for a really good turnout!

The St. Rose Bravo Reunion Registration Form is included in this issue of the newsletter. As we are all getting older, traveling may not be as much fun as it used to be. If traveling is a challenge for you, please consider having a guardian, such as a family member, friend or neighbor make the trip with you. All guardians will be most welcome to attend.

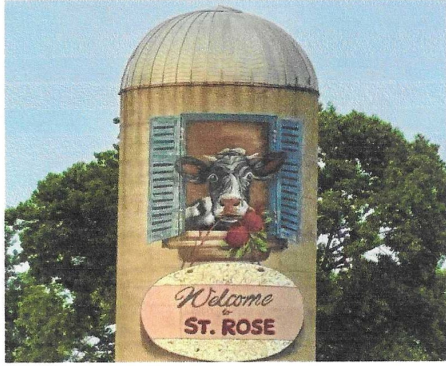
I am looking forward to receiving your Bravo Reunion Registration Forms.

Wishing everyone a happy summer!

So Long for now!

Mike

Bravo Regulars



Bravo Reunion 2026
St. Rose, Illinois
October 20 – 22, 2026

Registration Form
Fee \$150 (per person)
Fee \$30 one day (per person)
Deadline September 1, 2026

To reduce costs, this year's reunion will follow a slightly different schedule. It will take place on Tuesday through Thursday. We basically eliminated the two half-days used in past years. Be assured that we will still have three full days of planned activities. You will have:

- Day trip visiting two different locations:
 - **Standin' Proud, a Veterans Tribute** museum representing the different conflicts that have been fought by the military over the years - everything from Iraq and Afghanistan to Vietnam.
 - **Whispering Pines**, a retreat atmosphere whose purpose mission is "Refreshing the soul through nature and conservation" for veterans, military, first responders, special needs groups, and more.
- Two catered meals each day (lunch and dinner)
- Entertainment each day
- Memorial service will be held in the same place as we did in 2000 WEATHER PERMITTING

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Veteran's Name _____ **Total # of Attendees** _____

Circle Days Attending	Name	Circle Days Attending	Name
Tu W Th		Tu W Th	
Tu W Th		Tu W Th	
Tu W Th		Tu W Th	

(use back of form for additional attendees)

Reunion Shirts/Hats

Polo Shirt - \$30 each							Hats \$25 each Navy Blue Embroidered
Size	Small	Medium	Large	X Large	2X Large	3X Large	
Quantity							

<p>Please give us a hand by letting us know you're coming:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Fill out the information on this form Detach the bottom portion of this form Mail this form along with payment for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Registration Fee <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shirt Purchase(s) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hat Purchase(s) 	<p>Mail to: Mike Detmer 7803 Cemetery Rd. – St. Rose, IL 62230 Contact Info: 618-910-2097 mmdetmer@gmail.com</p>
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Please Add Any Special Dietary Needs / Comments / Questions
 on the back of this form

Hotels:

<p>Seasons Inn & Suites 20 Central Blvd, Highland, IL seasonsinnhighland.com (618) 651-1100 (10.8 miles) Queen (VET1020Q) \$112 Queen Hcap (VET1020HQ) \$108 King (VET1020) \$112 King Hcap (VET1020H) \$108</p>	<p>Carlyle – Mariners Village 1 Resort Dr, Carlyle, IL. 62231 marinersvillagecarlylelake.com 618-594-7666 (15.6 miles) Standard Room (Bravo) \$109 Cabin (Bravo) sleeps 6 \$225 Continental Breakfast \$15/person Located on Carlyle Lake</p>
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Campground:

<p>Carlyle Lake Dam West Campground 14498-14510 County Rd 1430 N, Carlyle, IL 62231 recreation.gov/camping/campgrounds/233483 (618) 594-4410 (16 miles)</p>
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Airports

<p>St. Louis Lambert International Airport (STL) 10701 Lambert International Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63145-0212 314-426-8000 Website: flystl.com Largest airport in the area and hosts all the major carriers. 59 miles to St. Rose</p>	<p>MidAmerica 9656 Air Terminal Dr. Mascoutah, IL 62258 (618) 566-5200 Website: flymidamerica.com Mostly used by commercial carriers, but Allegiant Airlines does offer a very limited number of flights. 25 miles to St. Rose</p>
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I appreciate all of the dona-
 tions that have come in.

Matt

Association Business

Financial Report Income and Expenses	
March 1, 2026 Balance	\$7,608.91
<u>Income</u>	
Dues	\$85.00
Donations	
Total Income	\$85.00
<u>Expenses</u>	
Newsletter	\$345.21
Website Update	55.00
Domain Renewal	12.76
Total Expenses	\$412.97
May 31, 2026 Balance	\$7,280.94



Vice-President's Message

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Hello Everyone,

It's that time of year here, Summer.

The temperature is getting up there here in Louisiana. We are also getting some needed rain. It goes from dry to wet.

Hoping you can attend the reunion planned for this year. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone and looking forward to hearing some stories about the past two years.

A few months ago, there was an article in the local newspaper about a Banner Program called Hometown Heroes for local veterans. The Rotary Club decided to take on the program. My family and I attended a meeting showing the Banners that were purchased by family members or friends. They were put up at different locations in town honoring, recognizing and celebrating our local veterans. The Banners will remain up through Memorial Day, then taken down until next year.

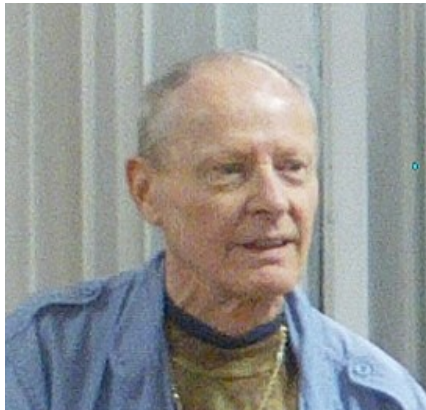
Again, please try to attend the reunion planned for October. I am looking forward to seeing everyone.

Until later,

Ken



Remember -
our fallen heroes.
They are the reason
that we are free.



Editor's Notes

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Welcome back Bravo Brothers! I sincerely hope all of you are as well as can be expected for people our age. For those who aren't, my condolences.

On March 8th of this year, my local newspaper printed a column titled "Today in History". Out of 6 entries, two were military related. They were: In 1965, the United States landed its first combat troops in South Vietnam as 3,500 Marines arrived to defend the U.S. air base at Da Nang. In 1988, 17 soldiers were killed when two Army helicopters from Fort Campbell, Kentucky, collided during a night training mission.

Bill Cooper (2nd Platoon Leader, 1968) is looking for information on Valor Awards earned at the Battle of Good Friday. His request is on the Bulletin Board. If anyone has any input on the topic, please contact him at wjcooper1542@gmail.com. Also please copy me so I'll have something to write about.

We received a short report of the Suoi Tre group's memorial ceremony along with initial plans for next year's memorial on the 60th anniversary of the battle. We also received an update on mass grave location efforts. Both are on the Bulletin Board.

Plans for our 2026 reunion are included in this issue. This is the 60th anniversary of our initial deployment to Vietnam on September 25, 1966. Please attend if physically possible. At the reunion, we will be discussing whether to continue or cease reunions in favor of smaller regional gatherings. Anyone wanting to comment on the issue should contact the Officer of your choice, if you are not attending.

With sadness I must report on the passing of two brothers. They are James Darrel (JD) Tyner (9-68/69) and Jesse Lee Childress (3rd Platoon—10/68-4/69). Available information is on the Bulletin Board.

Thanks to all who contributed to this issue. Our next issue will be out in September and we will be accepting submissions through the end of August. Until then, may peace be with you.

Dave out

BULLETIN BOARD

Submitted by William Cooper (2nd Platoon Leader—1968)

Dave, hope this finds you well. I am trying to write about my year in Vietnam and Good Friday. I have found lots of documentation, but presently at a loss on trying to find information about who received valor awards. I know that the Brigade CO issued six SS impact awards on the morning of Good Friday, two of which were upgraded to DSC (my CO Jerry White and medic David Chedester). Dick Prairie and SGT Edward Crow of Bravo were also awarded SS. Do you, or anyone else, know if other members of Bravo received an SS? Please contact me at wjcooper1542@gmail.com.

Submitted by Bill King (C/2/22 1967) - 59th Suoi Tre Ceremony at Ft. Carson

The ceremony went well. About 50 plus soldiers showed up and honored us all. In attendance from Suoi Tre was myself, Paige and Jerry Cupp. My wife, Janice, our son, Jeremy King, and my son Tyler's wife's mother (the Veterans liaison for Pikes Peak Hospice) also joined us. We're anticipating a large 60th year reunion next year. Let us know if there is a possibility you may attend so we can start making plans. On a sad note, I was notified our brother Gary Zandstra from Fremont, IN passed away in January this year. He was with A/3/22 at the Battle. Our sympathies go out to his wife, Carol, and family. I can be reached at billkingsouitre@aol.com.

Submitted by Richard Magner (Tiger 38, D/220th [Smiling Tigers], 1st Cav 68/69)

On the 25th of this past month, I visited the mass grave site resulting from the June 1969 Battle of FSB Crook. Our team gave the local authorities and military command a report documenting our research regarding the mass grave of those buried in what had been a 500 lb bomb crater. Over the course of the last two weeks of June, we visited seven provinces of Vietnam sharing our research of 21 battles and grave sites, eight of which were in Tay Ninh province. In June of 2020, a survey excavation discovered the northern rim of the crater on the site of a construction company. At that time, the center was thought to be under structures of the property owner, so further excavation was delayed for a reimbursement process. Analysis of more current satellite images show the crater's center to be farther west and clear of the structure. Anyone wishing to contact me can reach me at rwmagner@gmail.com or 1-860-836-4638.



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Submitted by Editor—Obituaries

James Darrell (JD) Tyner—9-68/69

James Darrell (JD) Tyner, age 77, went to his heavenly home on August 10, 2024 while at the McLeod Hospice House. JD was born in Hartsville, a son of the late Willie Thomas Tyner and Eva Dixon Tyner. JD was the son of a farmer and worked at Cannon Mills before he was drafted into the Army. After his completion of service to his country, he returned to Cannon Mills until September, 1974, then moved back to Hartsville and worked at Roller Bearing for two years. He then worked at Fiber Industries until his retirement due to medical reasons. JD was a graduate of Hartsville High School and a long-time member of Edwards Chapel Church. He married the love of his life, Gloria Drew, on July 6, 1965. She passed away on April 11, 2024.



Jesse Lee Childress—3rd Platoon, 10/68-4/69

Jesse Lee Childress, 75, of Sophia, North Carolina, passed away peacefully at his home on January 30, 2026. He was born on February 16, 1950, in Elkin, North Carolina. Jesse was a proud veteran of the United States Army, achieving the rank of Sergeant and serving honorably during the Vietnam War. During his service, he earned two Purple Hearts. His military service remained a defining and cherished part of his life. After returning home, he continued to honor that service by attending veterans memorials and reunions with his fellow soldiers of the 25th Infantry Division.

