



Red Warriors Vietnam Association

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Dear Red Warrior,

I hope that Memorial Day provided you with the opportunity to reflect peacefully on the sacrifices that our Armed Forces have made in the defense of our nation and the preservation of our Freedom. The day is especially meaningful to warriors who have experienced the loss of their brothers-in-arms. We, Red Warriors, remember them throughout the year.

Last week, thirty-three Red Warriors and their guests rendezvoused at the Wisconsin Dells for a fantastic reunion. Although our gathering was smaller than our previous get-togethers, it did not diminish the atmosphere of camaraderie and affection that we have attained for over two decades and ten reunions. Thanks once again to Dennis and Kathy Witt for making last week memorable!

There was consensus among some of the reunion attendees that we should reunite again. Our attendance at The Dells reunion represents about one third of the Red Warriors who have come to our battalion reunions since St. Louis 2008. We have consistently had between 90 to 115 Red Warriors at all these reunions. This email is addressed to 423 Red Warriors. You are spread over thirty-eight states, from California to Maine and from Washington to Florida.

Twelve years ago, we got together in our nation's capital. Two years later we went to San Diego. Now, we are all about eighty years old. I am very much aware that, for octogenarians, travel is a critical dependency on our personal decisions to attend reunions, vacations, or even family gatherings. With that in mind, I want to get a sense of what you want or need to attend a reunion in 2027.

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On our final night, Beaufort, South Carolina was proposed as the location for a reunion next year. I have since heard from some of you that you would like to return to The Dells. We used to plan reunions with confidence that we could get about 100 Red Warriors to sign up. We never knew in advance, but we could reasonably rely on a number between 80 and 120. Those days are gone.

Because we are a national association, it is critically important that we include all Red Warriors in all our reunions. I have two proposals for a reunion in 2027:

1. Beaufort, South Carolina
2. Wisconsin Dells

Please answer the questions below. This is a planning exercise. There are no right or wrong answers, but your answers will help us decide **if** we can have a reunion in 2027 and **where**.

1. Do you **think** you can attend a reunion next year?
2. What location do you prefer?
 - a. South Carolina
 - b. Wisconsin
 - c. Other
3. Are there locations that make it prohibitive for you to travel?

In the past, it has taken us about 15 to 18 months to plan these reunions, and we are trying to plan the next one in less than a year.

Please reply to this email, **even if your answer is “no”**.

Sincerely,

Wilfred Pla

President

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