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TEAM

ABOVE MG PATRICK PRESENTS AWARDS TO DON LYNCH AND BILLY J. NIX. THE CATALYST & MOVER AND SHAKER 1ST COMBINED REUNION.

October 1985: LRRP Don Lynch found 75th Ranger Billy J. Nix, who moves faster than an F-4 Phantom; finding people. His rapid acquisition of names required Don to computerize over 800 names. A surge in newly found LRRP/75th Rangers caused a demand for a reunion. Don, Bob, Billy & Darryl put together the "FIRST EVER"reunion of combined LRRP/75th Rangers at Ft. Campbell, Ky. 4-7 June 1986. 101st Bastogne vet Jim Flanagan enjoyed our hospitality while admitting Patrolling Vietnam style was not his way to fly.

21 Nov. 1985 our President who sits on the Airborne Walk Committee, presented a \$2,500.00 Cashier's Check for a granite and bronze monument to Vietnam /Grenada 75th Rangers who gave their lives. The bronze casting is shown below.



VIETNAM

GRENADA

YOUR DONATIONS BOUGHT THIS BRONZE ON GRANITE TABLET AT THE AIRBORNE MEMORIAL WALK FORT BENNING, GEORGIA





Association Director Steve Woodson, above, Co E/20th Inf. LRRP reviews a reunion 86 videotape at the Dec St. Louis, Missouri Board meeting. C/75th replaced E/20th LRRP.

Director George Paccerelli, CO, Co E/52nd LRRP & Co. H/75th is shown debating the LRRP monument and award for the 75th Ranger Indoctrination Program Honor Graduate as Secretary Kevin Henry and President Bob Gilbert study the motions. Both motions were passed unanimously by your Directors.



During the December 1986 meeting of the Board of Directors in St. Louis, Mo. we voted to acquire a similar monument for the Long Range Reconnaissance (Vietnam) Patrol Units. A suggested style for it is shown below. Regarding the 75th monument, an LRRP who never served in the 75th was the largest donor followed by Non-Jumping (Vietnam) 75th Ranger who roke an ankle attending Jump School. It added his aspirations for parachuting.

June 6, 1986. Major General Burton D. Patrick, CG, 101st Abn. Div. and Ranger said, "You were out front in Vietnam and deserve to be there now." Jim Rodarte & Fred Lewis carrying a POW/ MIA banner led the Division Parade ahead of us. We reflected on one known Ranger MIA SSG James A. Champion, L/75th missing after the second Company sized Raid into the Ashau Valley.



As the umbrella association for peacetime and combat members of the 75th & LRRP we are Tax exempt with the Internal Revenue, Georgia Dept of revenue, we have a bulk mail permit but allow this to go out first class in case you moved without telling us. Hereafter • • • it is your responsibility to keep us informed of your whereabouts.

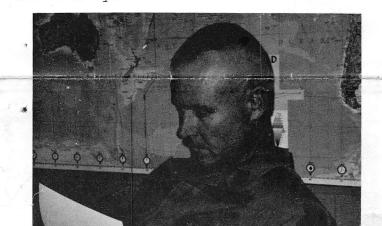
Do not confuse us with similar sounding organizations. We require no logistical administrative or financial support or direction. We support our Regiment and do so without reservation. A few weeks ago we were challenged to compete in a divisive contest...we reject that as a negative type competition. Our track is clear. Before we formed we gave you the monument and a reunion. Since then with new voices we plan another monument and will support the RIP Honor, enlisted man graduate of that course. WE formed on 19 Aug. 1986. HOOKUP!



Taking leave of the Army Chief of Staff General Patrick re-joined us at SON DZ for a Division Pathfinder freefall that was led by Vietnam 75th Rangers James McLaughlin and Dave Burgos. Burgos was a recipient of the freefall badge with a diamond for over 24 hours of freefall in 1986. The mother, sister and nephew of another Jim McLaughlin, KIA shared our first reunion.

The familiar whop, whop, whop of a Huey's blades stretched necks as a slick came smoking over the treeline, making a running landing in front of the stands, and, discharging a 6 man team, green camouflage, CAR-15's and old flower power uniforms secured the LZ, causing a ripple in the bleachers. General Patrick recalled a 6 man team, H/75th, who decimated an Sapper Bn of Chinese Nungs employed by the NVA by alerting the firebase of their pending attack after being inserted in their midst.

LRRP's Tony Tercero, Ray Martinez plus Ken Miller professionally filmed our reunion.RIP Instructors led by an SFC Turner demonstrated HALO, SCUBA and a On 7 June LRRP/Ranger vets including a VVA counselor Gib Halverson, who briefed us, voted unanimously to form a LRRP/75-th assn. under the 75th banner because LRRP's hold ten separate lineages and we are family even if the Army tends to sometimes call us by other names. 75th Rangers share a common lineage with the Merrill's Marauders of WWII fame, a real unconventional unit by any standard. We recognize the LRRP as "FIRST TO FIGHT" as Rangers under a different name in a symbolic way, i.e. see our Masthead, the membership card, application and on the stationary.



Below, L-R Sandy Stringham, Colonel Joseph S. Stringham, 4th Colonel of the Regiment and Command Sergeant Major Art Cobb are shown at Aug. 86 Orlando, Fl. Marauders Reunion. Right, 1SG Donald E. Purdy Company A, 3rd Bn. 75th Ranger Regiment. 1SG Purdy served with Co. F/75th Rangers 25th Inf. Div. Vietnam. Right center, a sample membership card. Below, your individual membership application. Additional membership applications are available from 3657 Irwin Way, Columbus, Ga. 31906 ATTN: Bob







Donald H. Lynch

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