

Series IV. Vietnam War series, c. 1960-2007, (bulk 2002-2007), .1 cu. ft.

Series Abstract/Description:

Materials include oral interviews, occasionally supported by military documents, photographs, or other related materials. Some items are photocopies. The Vietnam War Series of the Veterans History Project Collection includes materials relating to Nashville area residents and veterans who served in the military or supported the war effort as civilians. Contents are also useful for examination of the Cold War era, as not all individuals who participated in this project served in the Vietnam theatre of operations. Many individuals also continued their service after the Vietnam War and their narratives can be useful for study of the armed forces in the decades after Vietnam.

The majority of the materials acquired thus far (as of April 2007) are interviews conducted with veterans from 2002 to 2007. Other materials include a videocassette containing footage of unknown provenance which appears to have been shot in Vietnam, possibly at an airbase. Originally shot on color Super8 movie film, and transferred to videotape circa 2000, scenes include soldiers relaxing on base; views of the countryside and village scenes shot from a moving vehicle; a variety of aircraft arriving and departing; and scenes of children at an orphanage or school, including a dance performance.

The Vietnam War series will be emphasized in a collecting project at a future date. At that time additional interviews and materials will be solicited, gathered, and added to the Veterans History Project.

Some interviews, beginning in the fall of 2003, were conducted with the assistance of Operation Stand Down, a local non-profit organization that assists veterans who are homeless, or who have been homeless. A number of these individuals were veterans from the Vietnam era.

Arrangement: Alphabetical by veteran's last name.

Container List:

Akins, Dominick. Army, 1st Battalion, 2nd Infantry, 1st Infantry Division. (1965-1968) Vietnam.

Oral History: Tapes 359 -362 (2 interviews).

Alexander, Eddie. Army, 197th Battalion, medic. (1973-1976). Ft. Benning, Georgia.

Oral History: Tape 200, index available (filed with transcripts)

Other: see *Administrative Files, Promotional and Educational Materials, Operation Stand Down 2003, student papers.*

Anonymous Operation Stand Down veterans. Unknown service history.

Manuscripts: Letter of complaint, 2004.

(This document was left at the Nashville Public Library's information table at Operation Stand Down event, Nov. 20, 2004. Incidents mentioned in this letter bear some similarities to the experiences recounted by Horace Benson Hatcher.)

Baker, Carter G. Army, 88th Supply and Service Battln. (1963-1970). Stateside; Pleiku, Republic of Vietnam; Berlin, Germany.

Manuscripts: Memoir, "From Cambodia to the South China Sea: Organization and Leadership in the 88th Supply and Service Battalion (Direct Support) Pleiku, RVN 1967"

Baxter, Edward Bruce. Marines, 1st Marines, I co. 3/5. (1965-1969). Vietnam, Operation Hastings.

Oral History: Tapes 284, 285 & 286, index available (filed with transcripts).

Bell, Kathryn L. Air Force. 4385 SVSQ, 6950 SEC SVC, 603 MASS, 63APS, 3743 BMTS, 6920 Security, DET175 Tuslog CDI, 3950 Transportation Sq. Stateside, United Kingdom, Okinawa, Turkey.

Oral History: Tape 354.

Bennett, Harvey E. Navy, *USS Tattnall (DDG-19)*, *USS Ranger (CVA-61)*. (1965-1969). Caribbean, Mediterranean, Gulf of Tonkin, Sea of Japan.

Manuscripts: Brochures from Veterans for Peace rally, 2003.

Oral History: Tapes 347 & 348.

Boatman, Howard. Army, Battery C, 2nd Battalion, 138th Field Artillery. (1968-1969). Da Nang, North Vietnam.

Manuscripts: Biographical information

Oral History: Tapes 67 & 68, transcript.

Borgman, Alfred J. Civilian service, road construction.

Manuscripts: civilian service documents.

see also World War II series.

Briggs, Harrison. Air Force. (1958-1966). Japan, Okinawa, Thailand, Vietnam.

Oral History: Tapes 25 & 26, transcript.

Broadwater, Tommie Ray. Marines, 1st Battln, 4th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division. (1970-1974). Correctional section leader (brig warden), Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Florida.

Oral History: Tapes 237 & 238, index available (filed with transcripts)

Brown, John Pope. Air Force, headquarters and logistics. (1963-early 1970s).

Oral History: Tapes 30 & 31, transcript.

Burns, Rodney R. Marines, 1st Marine Division. Phu bai; Danang; Chu Lai, Vietnam.

Oral History: Tapes 292 & 293.

Cash, Kathy K. (Creager). Air Force. Nurse, health promotion. Stateside, Turkey, Azores, Greece.

Oral History: Tapes 352 & 353, index available (filed with transcripts).

Collier, Alvin Norman. Navy, 1st Division, USS Cayuga (LST 1186). (1973-1974). South Pacific.

Oral History: Tape 330, index available (filed with transcripts)

Crankshaw, Robert "Bob" or "Doc". Marines, 3rd Battln, 4th Regt., 4th Div. (1965-1972). Quantri Province, Vietnam.

Oral History: Tapes 178 & 179, index available (filed with transcripts.)

Cullom, Oscar. 9th Infantry Division, Vietnam (1964-1971)

Oral History: Tapes 209 & 210, index available (filed with transcripts)

Special media: VHP CD #5. Machine readable Microsoft PictureIt! Xtractor files containing two slides shows of scanned photographs (54 images each) entitled: "BCO 3rd Platoon, 5/60th Infantry Mechanized, 9th Infantry Division, 1968 South Vietnam."

Donofrio, John A. Navy cook.

See World War II series.

Dusel, Fred. Army, Special Forces. (1963-1968). Vietnam.

Oral History: Tapes 32, 33, & 34, transcript.

Restrictions apply – see transcript.

Elam, David C. Navy corpsman, 1st Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment. (1967-1968). Vietnam.

Oral History: Tapes 241 & 242, index available (filed with transcripts)

Ezell, Andrew G. Air Force, mechanic. (2 tours between 1965-1970). Vietnam.

Oral History: Tapes 349, 350, & 351.

Finkelstein, Edward R. Army, 4th Infantry Division and IFFV. (1969-1971). An Khe, Pleiku, and Nha-Trang.

Manuscripts: Memoir, "Ed Finkelstein's Speech for Congregants' Hour on Yom Kippur, The Temple, September 16, 2002."

Oral History: Tapes 223 & 224, index available (filed with transcripts)

Floyd, Marcus T. Jr. Army, 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment. (1969-1971). South Vietnam, Cambodia.

Oral History: Tapes 204, index available (filed with transcripts)

Other: *see Administrative Files, Promotional and Educational Materials, Operation Stand Down 2003, student papers.*

Forbes, Corinne W. Civilian. Civil Air Patrol, Air Force Youth Auxiliary. Nashville, TN.

Oral History: Tapes 332 & 333, index available (filed with transcripts).

Foster, Harold Emmett Jr. Army, 1/52, 198th Infantry. (1969-1973). "Camp Bayonet" Chu Lai, Vietnam.

Oral History: Tapes 339 & 340, index available (filed with transcripts).

Frey, Susan L. Navy, military police. Stateside, Phillipines.

Oral History: Tape 301, index available (filed with transcripts)

Other: *see Administrative Files, Promotional and Educational Materials, Operation Stand Down 2004, student papers.*

Fritz, Frederick F. Marines, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Division, reconnaissance. (1972-1978). Spain; Phillipines; Okinawa; Saigon, Vietnam.

Oral History: Tapes 355 & 356.

Gibson, Joseph "Joe". Army, 61st Assault Helicopter Company. (1968-1971). Stateside, Republic of Vietnam.

Oral History: Tapes 181, 182, & 183, index available (filed with transcripts)

H.---, James H. Army, 1st Infantry Division.(1968-1971). Stateside, Vietnam.

Restriction: Participant identified by first name, middle and last initials, only.

Oral History: Tapes 192 & 193, index available (filed with transcripts).

Hall, Blanton. Army, 6th Infantry. (1963-1968). Stateside, Vietnam.

Oral History: Tape 201, index available (filed with transcripts)

Other: *see Administrative Files, Promotional and Educational Materials, Operation Stand Down 2003, student papers.*

Harvey, William M. Army, 5th Special Forces Group A.B. (1963-1967) Vietnam.

Oral History: (digital recoding – MP3 file) - VHPHarveyW

Hastings, Thomas Larry "Pappy." Air Force, 6994th Security Squadron. (1964-1973). Philippines, stateside, Saigon, South Vietnam.

Oral History: Tape 329, index available (filed with transcripts)

Hatcher, Horace Benson. Army, 765th Transportation Division. Stateside, Vietnam.

Manuscripts: Memoir, 2004.

Oral History: Tape 305, index available, (filed with transcripts).

see also Vietnam Series – Anonymous Operation Stand Down veterans

Holmes, James Ronald Army, 20th Engineers, 35th Land Clearing (538th), Vietnam .

Oral History: (digital recording – MP3 file) - VPHHolmesJ

Hoyal, James A. 13th Air Force, chaplain. (1965-1969). Thailand.

Manuscripts: "Military Service James A. Hoyal"

Oral History: Tapes 197 & 198, index available (filed with transcripts).

see also Korean War series

Hunt, Walter R. "Walt." Army, signals. Europe.

Manuscripts: Military documents, 1960-1962.

Johnson, Willie C. Hotel Company, 1st Marines. (1968-1971). Camp Pendleton, California; Vietnam.

Oral History: Tape 207, transcript.

Other: *see Administrative Files, Promotional and Educational Materials, Operation Stand Down 2003, student papers.*

Joy, Willie H. (Williams) Marines, Co. B, 1st Battalion, 7th Regiment, 1st Division. (1968-1969). Vietnam.

Oral History: Tape 161, index available (filed with transcripts)

Kelly, Leslie Dorris. Navy, Pentagon.

Oral History: Tapes 282 & 283.

Kline, Richard Bert. 3rd Battalion, 9th Marines. (1966-1972). Danang, Vietnam.

Oral History: Tape 203, index available (filed with transcripts)

Lee, Daniel Eugene. Army, signals. (1970-1972). Long Bien.

Oral History: Tapes 69 & 70, transcript.

Lemke, Dean Alan. Air Force, "Triple Nickel." (1966-1970). Dangnan, Tuc Hoe, Cam Ram.

Oral History: Tape 327, index available (filed with transcripts)

Lockridge, John William. Army aviation. Germany, Vietnam.

Oral History: Tape 300, index available (filed with transcripts)

Other: *see Administrative Files, Promotional and Educational Materials, Operation Stand Down 2004, student papers.*

Lomax, Arthur Eugene. Army. *see World War II series.*

Longhauser, Robert V. Army, 1st Inf. Div. Stateside; DiAn and Lai Khe, Vietnam.

Oral History: (digital recording – MP3 file) - VHPLonghauserR

Macon, Robert "Bob". Army infantry. 2 years in Vietnam.

Oral History: Tapes 135 & 136, index available (filed with transcripts).

See also World War II and Korean War series.

Maynard, Mary D. – *see Ross, Mary D. (Maynard).*

Moore, Ray. Navy aviation, USS Enterprise. (1964-1968). Tokin Gulf.

Oral History: Tapes 176 & 177, index available (filed with transcripts).

Patterson, Larry R.P. Air Force, Strategic Air Command, communications, (1967-1971). Keesler AFB, Miss.; Westover AFB, Mass.; Robins AFB, Georgia.

Oral History: Tapes 345 & 346, index available (filed with transcripts).

Phillips, Bill R. Air Force, MACV – Advisory Team 1. Da Nang, Vietnam; I Corps; Vandenberg AFB, Calif; Lackland AFB, Texas.

Oral History: Tapes 294 & 295, index available (filed with transcripts).

Pritchett, Vaughan. Navy, USS Jamestown, communications. (1965-1969).

Restrictions apply to all materials for Vaughan Pritchett. No publication without his permission. Details available with materials.

Manuscripts: correspondence, military scrip, ticket

Photographs: 1 photo

Oral History: Tapes 126 & 127, index available (filed with transcripts).

Restrictions apply – see transcript.

Reid, Larry Eugene. Army, 4/47th Infantry Battalion, 2nd Brigade, 9th Infantry Division. Mobile Riverine Force. Combat engineer. (1967-1969). Mekong Delta.

Oral History: (digital recording – MP3 file) - VHPReidL

Ross, Mary D. (Maynard). Army, Women's Army Corps (WAC), communications, psychiatric care. Stateside, Berlin, Germany.

Photographs: 3 photographs

See also Persian Gulf War series.

Oral History: (digital recording – MP3 file) - VHPRossM

Rucker, Darryle Glover. Air Force, 389th Strategic Missile Wing, 565th Squadron. Stateside, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Oral History: Tape 308, index available (filed with transcripts).

Other: *see Administrative Files, Promotional and Educational Materials, Operation Stand Down 2004, student papers.*

See, Frederick. Army, 27th Field Artillery. (1963-1995). Fort Sill, Oklahoma; Germany; Vietnam.

Oral History: Tape 208, index available (filed with transcripts)

Simpson, John Brent. Marines, Co. B, 3rd Engineer Battln., 3rd Marine Division. (1968-1969). Vietnam, Camp Carroll, DMZ, Ho Chi Minh Trail.

Oral History: (digital recording – MP3 file) - VHPSimpsonJB

Southall, Thomas William. Army, communications advisor to South Vietnamese. (1966) Vietnam, near DMZ.

Oral History: Tapes 270, 271 & 272, index available (filed with transcripts).

Still, James W. 3rd Battalion, 9th Marines, 3rd Marine Division. (1963-1967). Camp Lejeune; Cuba; I Corps area, Vietnam.

Oral History: Tape 206, index available (filed with transcripts)

Other: *see Administrative Files, Promotional and Educational Materials, Operation Stand Down 2003, student papers.*

Thomas, Garry. Army, 2nd and 4th Field Artillery. (1972-1975). Fort Hood, Fort Campbell, Fort Lewis.

Manuscripts: Poem: “One of the Lucky Ones,” 2005

Oral History: (digital recording – MP3 file) - VHPTThomasG

Thurman, Jim. Civilian, search and rescue attached to military. (circa 1962-1963). Vietnam.

Oral History: Tape 336, 337, & 338, index available (filed with transcripts).

Trigg, James Knox. *Air Force. Supply. see World War II series.*

Unknown. Army.

Videotape: VHP Video #3 - "Memories"

Originally shot on color Super 8 movie film, a product which did not become publicly available until 1965. Transferred to videotape, with music added, around 2000. The footage on this videotape appears to have been filmed in or near Vietnam, on what appears to be an airbase. Scenes include soldiers relaxing on base, views of the countryside and villages shot from a moving vehicle, a variety of aircraft landing and departing, and scenes of children at an orphanage or school, including a dance performance. (Total time approx. 30 min. Index available in front of Transcript Box 1).

Wargo, Nicholas "Nick" J. Sr. Army. (1966-1969). An Son.

Oral History: Tapes 101 & 102, index available (filed with transcripts).

Williams, Willie H. – *see Joy, Willie H. (Williams)*

Whitworth, Malchiga C. Army, 1st Inf. Div., Vietnam.

Oral History: (digital recording – MP3 file) - VHPWhitworthM

Wright, Harold L. Marines, 3rd Marine Division. (1968-2000). Vietnam.

Oral History: Tape 328, index available (filed with transcripts)