

# Vietnam Veteran Lapel Pin



## "A Lasting Memento of the Nation's Thanks!"

The Commemoration provides a Vietnam Veteran Lapel Pin for dignified public presentations to living U.S. military veterans who served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces at any time during the period of November 1, 1955, to May 15, 1975, regardless of location. Eligible veterans may receive one Commemorative lapel pin.

The next EC-47 History Site Commemorative Partner Program (CPP) Committee-sponsored lapel pin presentation ceremony is being planned as part of the 16th Air Force & Freedom Through Vigilance Association (FTVA) annual reunion in San Antonio, Texas, 19-21 October 2023. Vietnam War Veteran Commemorative lapel pins will be presented during the Remembrance ceremony at the EC-47 aircraft display and during the annual banquet. Check out the full schedule of events on the [ftva.us](http://ftva.us) website and the September 2023 Remain In Touch Newsletter.

Please fill in and submit the on-line registration form or download this paper copy to complete in ink. Scan the completed form and email it to [partners@vietnam50thcpp.com](mailto:partners@vietnam50thcpp.com) or mail it via USPS to this address:

The EC-47 History Site  
FTVA CPP Registration  
4213 Green Meadow Drive  
San Angelo, Texas, 76904.

There is no cost associated with this program. Call Tom at 325 450-4476 if you have any questions or comments.



# Living Vietnam Veterans

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**Name of Veteran \***

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
First	MI	Last

**Branch of Service \***

**Rank \***

**Active From: \***

<input type="text"/>	/	<input type="text"/>
MM		YYYY

**To: \***

<input type="text"/>	/	<input type="text"/>
MM		YYYY

**Email \***

**Phone \***

<input type="text"/>	-	<input type="text"/>	-	<input type="text"/>
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**Address \***

Street Address

City

Postal / Zip Code

State / Province / Region

**I plan to attend the FTVA Vietnam War Commemoration ceremony: \***

- ☐ 1200 Noon - Friday Oct 20th - Open Seating
- ☐ 6:30 pm Banquet - Saturday Oct 21 - Ticket Required
- ☐ Both Friday & Saturday

Please select one option. Contact Ken Williams at [kennbobb@aol.com](mailto:kennbobb@aol.com) to reserve your dinner ticket.

**Referred by:**

**Comments (e.g., requires wheel chair access, oxygen, etc.)**



## Vietnam Veteran Lapel Pin

*"A Lasting Memento of the Nation's Thanks!"*

Front



Back



**Purpose:** To recognize, thank and honor United States military veterans who served during the Vietnam War.

**Eligibility:** Living United States veterans who served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces at any time during the period of November 1, 1955 to May 15, 1975, regardless of location, are eligible to receive one lapel pin.

**Presentation:** These lapel pins will be presented in a dignified manner to each Vietnam veteran during public events held in their communities by Commemorative Partners. Accompanying remarks should reflect the nation's thanks for their service and sacrifice. In the rare instance when an honoree cannot attend a public event, the pin may be presented during a private ceremony.

**Symbolism:**

- **Eagle** - The eagle represents courage, honor, and dedicated service to our nation. As one of the most recognizable and notable American symbols, it is emblazoned with distinction on numerous military insignia.
- **Blue Circle** - The color blue matches the canton of the American flag and signifies vigilance, perseverance, and justice. The circle shape and blue color also match the official seal of the Commemoration.
- **Laurel Wreath** - A time-honored symbol representing victory, integrity, and strength.
- **Stripes** - The stripes behind the eagle represent the American flag.
- **Stars** - The six stars represent the six allies who served, sacrificed, and fought alongside one another: Australia, New Zealand, the Philippines, the Republic of Korea, Thailand, and the United States.
- **Message** - "A Grateful Nation Thanks and Honors You" is embossed on the back, closest to the heart of the wearer. Also, the official name of the Commemoration is included to remind each veteran that this is a national initiative, and this lapel pin is the nation's lasting memento of thanks.