

THE VIETNAM TRAVELING MEMORIAL WALL



APRIL 8TH - 13TH, 2015
FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY CAMPUS
ABACOIA TOWN CENTER
JUPITER, FLORIDA





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The Pledge of Allegiance

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

The Star-Spangled Banner

O say can you see by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there;
O say does that star-spangled banner yet wave,
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

On the shore dimly seen through the mists of the deep,
Where the foe's haughty host in dread silence reposes,
What is that which the breeze, o'er the towering steep,
As it fitfully blows, half conceals, half discloses?
Now it catches the gleam of the morning's first beam,
In full glory reflected now shines in the stream:
'Tis the star-spangled banner, O! long may it wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

And where is that band who so vauntingly swore
That the havoc of war and the battle's confusion,
A home and a country, should leave us no more?
Their blood has washed out their foul footsteps' pollution.
No refuge could save the hireling and slave
From the terror of flight, or the gloom of the grave:
And the star-spangled banner in triumph doth wave,
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

O thus be it ever, when freemen shall stand
Between their loved homes and the war's desolation.
Blest with vict'ry and peace, may the Heav'n rescued land
Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation!
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
And this be our motto: "In God is our trust."
And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

The Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall Opening Ceremony

April 11th, 2015 • 10:00 A.M. – Noon

Florida Atlantic University Jupiter Campus, Abacoa Town Center, Jupiter, Florida

- Master of Ceremonies** Alan Gerstel, Former TV News Anchor
- Opening Procession** Palm Beach County Fire Rescue Pipe and Drum Band
- Presentation of Colors** U.S. Marine Corps Color Guard
Jupiter Police Department Color Guard
Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Color Guard
Palm Beach County Fire Rescue Honor Guard
Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 1125 Color Guard
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10132 Color Guard
American Legion Post 11th District Color Guard
- Invocation** Anthony Beazley, Chief of Chaplain Service
West Palm Beach VA Medical Center
- Pledge of Allegiance** Bill Arcuri, U.S. Air Force, Vietnam Ex-POW
- National Anthem** Venita Marshall, Principal, Trinity Christian School
- Welcoming Remarks** Honorable Karen Golonka, Mayor, Town of Jupiter
- Remarks** Dr. Eliah Watlington, Associate Provost
Northern Campuses, Florida Atlantic University
- Remarks** Honorable Hal Valeche, Palm Beach County Commissioner
- Remarks** Charleen R. Szabo, FACHE, Director, West Palm Beach VA Medical Center
- Remarks** Georgia Carter Krell, Past National President,
American Gold Star Mothers, Inc. ("Bruce W. Carter Miami VA Medical Center" is named
after her son Vietnam MOH recipient posthumously)
- Guest Speaker** Honorable Patrick E. Murphy
Member of Congress, United States House of Representatives
- Keynote Speaker** Thomas H. Corey, National President
and CEO Vietnam Veterans of America 2001 -2005
- Wreath Laying Ceremony** American Gold Star Mothers, Inc.
Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 25
West Palm Beach VA Medical Center
- Music** Palm Beach County Fire Rescue Pipe and Drum Band
- Benediction** Anthony Beazley, Chief Chaplain Service,
West Palm Beach VA Medical Center
- Retirement of Colors** U.S. Marine Corps Color Guard
Jupiter Police Department Color Guard
Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Color Guard
Palm Beach County Fire Rescue Honor Guard
Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 1125 Color Guard
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10132 Color Guard
American Legion Post 11th District Color Guard
- Closing Procession** Palm Beach County Fire Rescue Pipe and Drum Band



THE VIETNAM TRAVELING MEMORIAL WALL®

Schedule of Events and Activities

Wednesday, April 8th

9:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.

The Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall (VTMW) arrives at the Jupiter FAU Campus in Abocoa Town Center escorted by Veteran motorcycle rider organizations and Jupiter Police

10:00 A.M.- 2:00 P.M.

The VTMW is set-up by volunteers.

2:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

The VTMW is open to the public.

5:30 P.M.

“Retreat” & “To the Colors”

6:30 P.M.

The Palm Beach County School Choirs perform
A Tribute to Vietnam Fallen Heroes

8:00 P.M.

Candlelight Vigil

9:00 P.M.

“Taps”

Thursday, April 9th

7:00 A.M.

“Reveille”

9:00 A.M. – 9:00 P.M.

The VTMW is open to the public.

9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

Palm Beach County public and private school field trips

5:30 P.M.

“Retreat” & “To the Colors”

6:00 P.M.

POW/MIA Flag Presentation

6:30 P.M.

Faith’s Place Center Choir and Band Group

8:00 P.M.

Candlelight Vigil

9:00 P.M.

“Taps”



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Friday, April 10th

7:00 A.M.

“Reveille”

9:00 A.M. – 9:00 P.M.

The VTMW is open to the public.

9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

Palm Beach County public and private school field trips

5:00 P.M.

Food Truck Invasion @ Abacoa

5:30 P.M.

“Retreat” & “To the Colors”

6:00 P.M.

Agent Orange Ceremony

8:00 P.M.

Candlelight Vigil with local choirs

9:00

“Taps”

Saturday, April 11th

7:00 A.M.

“Reveille”

9:00 A.M. – 9:00 P.M.

The VTMW is open to the public.

10:00 A.M. – Noon

Opening Ceremony

2:00 P.M.

POW/MIA Ceremony

4:00 P.M.

Car Show @ Abacoa

5:30 P.M.

“Retreat” & “To the Colors”

7:30 P.M.

Candlelight Vigil with New Day Singers Youth Ensemble

8:30 P.M.

Car Show parade down Main Street to pay tribute to the men and women whose names are etched on The Wall.

9:00 P.M.

“Taps”

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Schedule of Events and Activities

Sunday, April 12th

7:00 A.M.

“Reveille”

9:00 A.M. – 9:00 P.M.

The VTMW is open to the public.

12 Noon

Closing Ceremony

U.S. Military Band will play a tribute salute and the colors will be retired

12 Noon - 8:00 P.M.

All American BBQ @ amphitheater with Live Bands

1:00 P.M.

Roger Dean Stadium Honorary Baseball Game (First Pitch)

5:30 P.M.

“Retreat” & “To the Colors”

9:00 P.M.

“Taps”

Monday, April 13th

VTMW departs



Acknowledgments

We wish to thank the following individuals and organizations for their support in helping bring the Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall to the families, our Veterans and the Community making this a special meaningful tribute to those fallen to Vietnam.

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Chapter 1041

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Chapter 1125 Color Guard

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Biography of Keynote Speaker: Thomas H. Corey



Thomas H. Corey served as President and CEO of Vietnam Veterans of America, the nation's only congressionally chartered organization exclusively serving the needs of Vietnam-era Veterans and their families, retiring from

that position in 2005 after serving on the Board since 1985.

He currently works at the West Palm Beach VA Medical Center as the Ombudsman and Program Specialist with the Director's Office.

Corey also serves as president of the Vietnam Veterans Peace Initiative.

A native of Detroit, Corey entered the U.S. Army and was sent to Vietnam in May 1967 where he served as a combat infantryman with the 1st Air Cavalry Division, 1st Battalion, 12th Calvary. While engaged in an assault against enemy positions on January 31, 1968, during Tet Offense, he received an enemy round in the neck, which hit his spinal cord and left him paralyzed and a quadriplegic. He was medically retired from the U.S. Army in May 1968. Corey is a decorated combat Veteran receiving the Combat Infantry Badge, Bronze Star Medal with V device for Valor, 2 Purple Hearts, Air Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Presidential Unit Citation, Valorous Unit Citation, Republic Vietnam Gallantry Cross, along with other awards.

After an extended hospitalization, Corey returned to his family in Detroit where he spent his time in and out of the local VA hospital. He relocated to West Palm Beach, Florida in 1972, where he has been involved in community affairs as a Veteran's leader and advocate. He has served on many advisory boards with local government, and with the VA Medical Centers in Miami and West Palm Beach, the VA Research Foundation of Palm Beaches, VISN8 Management Assistance Council, Friends of Veterans Board, Friends of Fisher House Board, Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA), Chapter 25, Board and Vietnam Veterans Peace Initiative, President. He has received numerous awards for speaking out on Veterans' and disabled persons' rights since his involvement in the mid-seventies.

Corey has returned to Vietnam 16 times since 1994 representing Vietnam Veterans of America, Veterans Initiative program regarding our POW/MIA's and Agent Orange issues with successful results.

As a member of the Veterans Initiative Task Force, he has led delegations meeting with top Vietnamese and Laotian leaders, government officials at every level, and the Veterans Association of Viet Nam organization leaders and members throughout Vietnam.

He has met with health care professionals leaders on the effects of Agent Orange from the U.S. and Vietnam, including U.S. Ambassador's to Vietnam and Laos, the U.S. Joint Task Force-Full Accounting in Vietnam and Laos, who are responsible for recovery efforts of Americans still listed as POW/MIA.

Corey was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize for his work in Vietnam.

He was the first recipient of the Vietnam Veterans of America's Commendation Medal, VVA's highest award for service to Veterans, their families, and the community. In the citation accompanying his award it was said that, "Corey is the benchmark criteria for future recipients of this award."

Corey is also recipient of the Chapel of Four Chaplains, Legion of Honor Bronze Medallion Award and Chapel of Four Chaplains, Legion of Honor Humanitarian Award among many others for his work at home and S.E. Asia.

Corey was the founding President of VVA Palm Beach County Chapter 25 in 1981. In 1991, the chapter was renamed the Thomas H. Corey Chapter at its tenth anniversary celebration.

He was elected to VVA's National Board of Directors in 1985. In 1987 he was elected VVA's national Secretary and was re-elected in 1989, 1991, 1993, and 1995. In 1997 he was elected VVA's national Vice President and re-elected in 1999. In 2001, he was elected VVA National President and was re-elected in 2003 and served until 2005.

Corey is also a member of the Paralyzed Veterans of America, Military Order of the Purple Heart Association, Disabled American Veterans, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign War, 1st Cavalry Division Association, and the National Association of Uniformed Services.

Tom Corey resides in Jupiter, Florida. He has a son Brian, and a daughter Trang.