

Vietnam Revisited 2017 Mission Statement

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History

In 1992 the Vietnam War Monument was dedicated in Huntington Park, Newport News, VA. This Monument became a reality due to the dedication of the Vietnam War Monument Foundation, Vietnam Demo Team, VVA Chapter 433, Freedom Now of VA, Inc. Virginia War Museum, as well as many local and state dignitaries and our communities manning together.



VISION

By Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War and the 25th Anniversary of the dedication of the Vietnam War Monument in Newport News, Virginia, Vietnam Revisited 2017 will Welcome Home our local Vietnam Veterans, thank all that made our local Vietnam War Monument a reality as we honor and preserve the legacy of service of our Vietnam Veterans, POW/MIA's, their families and continue to educate all generations about the impact and sacrifices made during the Vietnam War.

HONOR September 14-17, 2017

The Moving Wall: With joint coordination and cooperation of the Virginia War Museum Foundation, Newport News, VA, we, the Braxton-Perkins Chapter 25 American Legion are excited to announce the arrival of the Moving Wall to the Peninsula. The Moving Wall will be on display in Huntington Park, Newport News, VA.

September 14th : Escorting The Moving Wall: Numerous motorcycle organizations will escort the Moving Wall to Huntington Park, Newport News, VA.

September 14th : Assembling The Moving Wall: Volunteers will come together to experience this heartfelt opportunity in paying tribute to those who gave all.

September 15th : Opening Ceremony: The Moving Wall : Communities are invited to join with local, state and federal dignitaries for this special ceremony.

September 15th: Education: Local schools are encouraged to bring students to the Moving Wall. Vietnam Veterans will be on hand to share experiences allowing our youth to learn history first hand from our local Heroes.

REMEMBER September 15th:

POW/MIA Candlelight Ceremony: this will be held Friday evening at the Vietnam War Monument. **Motorcycle Run:** Braxton-Perkins Chapter 25 American Legion Riders will host a National Pow/Mia Recognition Day Run, to arrive at the Moving Wall for the National POW/MIA Recognition Candlelight Ceremony

September 16th:

Honor Ceremonies: Veteran and Civic organizations as well as private citizens are invited to reserve time of their own to conduct a private ceremony, lay a wreath, say a prayer up to one hour. (note: this will not stop individuals from visiting the Moving Wall)

September 16th, Saturday Evening

Vietnam War Monument 25th Anniversary Dinner

September 17th, Sunday: Closing Ceremony at the Moving Wall.

September 17th, Sunday: Disassembling the Moving Wall

September 16th, Saturday Evening

Vietnam War Monument 25th Anniversary Dinner

In Commemoration of the 25th Anniversary of the dedication of the Vietnam War Monument in Huntington Park, Newport News, VA. and 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War, we will be:

Recognizing the Vietnam War Monument Foundation, and other entities and individuals that made the Monument a reality.

In Coordination with Daughters of American Revolution and American Legion Post 25, who are Commemorative partners with the Department of Defense recognizing The United States of America 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War Commemoration:

- Honor veterans of the Vietnam War, including personnel who were held as prisoners of war or listed as missing in action, for their service and sacrifice on behalf of the United States and to thank and honor the families of these veterans.
- Vietnam Veterans will be honored with a Daughters of the American Revolution certificate and a commemorative pin.
- Honoring families of veterans found on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial “The Wall” in Washington D.C.,
- The Commemorative Gold Star families will be given a DOD certificate and commemorative pin.
- The Commemorative Red Star is for those family members whose Veteran has died since returning from the war.
- Proof of service and of death are required in order for the Department of Defense (DOD) to provide the certificate and pin. The DOD honor the family member with their name embossed on the certificate. The DOD needs at least 90 days notice to complete the order.
- Honoring families of veterans that are currently living is to be with the veteran when they are pinned with the Vietnam Veteran’s Commemorative Pin. This family member is not eligible for a pin

Who are we?

American Legion Rider Chapter 25’s effort is supported by American Legion Post 25, Newport News, VA and the Virginia War Museum Foundation, at Huntington Park, the home of the Vietnam War Monument.

Our Vietnam Revisited Committee consists of not only American Legion members of local chapters, also Veterans in our community, Families of Veterans, Present, Past and Missing. We are also open to anyone in the community that wants to participate to make this event a success.

