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To all visiting The Wall That Heals,

As part of their twenty-fifth anniversary celebration, the Washington County Community Foundation is sponsoring The Wall That Heals to come to Washington County. As one of only 39 sites in the United States to receive an invitation, I feel this is a great honor for our community. So, when they asked me to coordinate this major event, I was a little hesitant.



Front row: Tanya Dustin, Sharon Boaz, Judy Johnson Back row: Anne Terrell, Lindsey Wade-Swift, Stewart Boaz, Don Miller, Kevin Bateman Absent from picture: Stephen Fisher, Wes Jones, Adam Kelly, John Quatroke, and Stephanie Rockey

What did I know about the Vietnam War? Growing up in the sixties, the only war I knew about involved two people and a deck of cards. As a teenager, I honestly thought there were more important things in life than current events. Plus there was the added pressure of "getting it right". As a recent retiree with time on my hands and looking for something worthwhile to do, I decided to take this job.

From the beginning, there were many people reaching out to me, interested in helping and getting involved in any way they could. Since the beginning of January, we have been meeting every Monday to plan this event. I can honestly say that I am glad that I said "yes" because of the amazing people I have met – mainly veterans and members of veterans' families. I want to thank each and every one of the volunteers that helped make this event happen. They have donated countless hours to honor our Vietnam veterans.

When I see in the news today how military people are treated as they leave their homes and as they return, it makes me sad to think that we did not treat our Vietnam veterans in the same way. Men and women sacrificed their lives to protect our country during that era. This wall is meant as a way for them to heal from life-changing events, not of their own making. We want to honor them for what they lost – innocence, family time, life experiences, and even life itself.

I hope we get it right. After fifty years, I think it is time to try.

With the utmost respect for ALL who served and those who are serving our country now,

Tanya Dustin,

Coordinator of The Wall That Heals Salem, Indiana

May 17 - 20, 2018

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Our Local Men on THE WALL

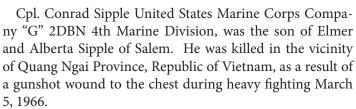
Conrad Alan Sipple

Date of Birth: November 3, 1943 Date of Casualty: March 5, 1966 Branch of Service: Marine Corps

Rank: CPL

Panel/Line: 5E, 124

Casualty Province: Quang Ngai



He was a graduate of Salem High School, class of 1962, and entered the Marines in 1963. He was on his second tour of duty when he was killed.

Taken from Gone But Not Forgotten by Gertrude Stephenson.

William Henry "Jackie" Myers

Date of Birth: August 18, 1946 Date of Casualty: May 12, 1967 Branch of Service: Marine Corps

Rank: PFC

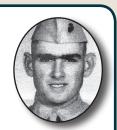
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Casualty Province: Quang Tin

Jackie Myers was Washington County's third casualty of the Vietnam War. Myers was killed in action in an operation near Quang Tin on May 12, 1967. He joined the Marine Corps in July, 1966 and died after he sustained a gunshot wound to the chest and fragmentation wounds to the body form rifle fire and a mortar round while on operation in Vietnam, according to a telegram to local relatives.

He would have been a senior the year he died had he remained at Salem High School. Military services were conducted by the United State Marine Crops at East Enterprise Cemetery prior to internment. A military escort escorted him to Salem, where services were held at the First Baptist Church.

Taken from Gone But Not Forgotten by Gertrude Stephenson.



Frank Edward McClellan

Date of Birth: April 23, 1949
Date of Casualty: June 4, 1970
Branch of Service: Army

Rank: SP4

Panel/Line: 9W, 8

Casualty Province: Binh Dinh

Specialist Frank E. McClellan was assigned to the 4th Division, Company K, Rangers 1/75th Infantry. He died June 4, 1970, in an accident on the base. He had been wounded once before in action in Vietnam.

He was the son of Lawrence and Bernice McClellan of Salem.

Taken from Gone But Not Forgotten by Gertrude Stephenson.



Date of Birth: May 28, 1946

Date of Casualty: November 21, 1966

Branch of Service: Army

Rank: PFC

Panel/Line: 12E/105

Casualty Province: Unknown

Jerry Sabens, the son of Leroy and Magaline Sabens, was a 1965 graduate of Salem High School. He enlisted in the US Army in January, 1966 and took basic training at Ft. Knox, Kentucky. He later received Airborne training at Fort Benning, Georgia. He was assigned to the 5th Calvary in Vietnam and reported for duty in that county in early September. He served much of his two and a half months there as a machine gunner in a combat zone.

His parents received notification Thanksgiving morning that he had been killed in action on November 21st, 1966. His body was transferred to Oakland, CA where a member of the military was assigned as escort for the trip to Salem. Funeral services were at First Baptist Church and burial was at Crown Hill Cemetery.

Stephen Gabbard, superintendent of Salem Community Schools at the time noted that Jerry was an above average student and very friendly. EE Martin, whom Jerry had worked, described him as an exceptional boy.

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It is the soldier, not the reporter, who has given us freedom of the press.

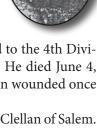
It is the soldier, not the poet, who has given us freedom of speech.

It is the soldier, not the campus organizer, who has given us the freedom to demonstrate.

It is the soldier, not the lawyer, who has given us the right to a fair trial.

It is the solder who salutes the flag, serves under the flag and

whose coffin is draped by the flag, who allows the protester to burn the flag.





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SCHEDULE OF Events

THURSDAY MAY 17, 2018

The Wall That Heals will be open all day and night

8:00 am - 3:00 pm Field Trips from local schools

One hour prior to and one hour after the ceremony, the SHS Guitar Club will be playing songs from the era.

5:30 pm

Master of Ceremonies

Presentation of Colors Singing of National Anthem

Pledge of Allegiance

Wreath Laying

Invocation

Introduction of Speaker

Speaker

"God Bless the USA"

Retrieval of Colors

Opening Ceremony

Wes Jones

Indiana National Guard

Nathan Smith Boy Scout Pack 29

DAR – Christopher Harrison Chapter

David Brown Judy Johnson

Lt. General Michael Tucker, Retired

Nathan Smith

Indiana National Guard

FRIDAY MAY 18, 2018

The Wall That Heals will be open all day and night

Field trips from local schools 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

SATURDAY MAY 19, 2018

The Wall That Heals will be open all day and night

One hour prior to and one hour after the ceremony, the SHS Guitar Club will be playing songs from the era.

5:30 pm

POW/MIA Ceremony

Master of Ceremonies

Presentation of Colors Boy Scout Pack 29 Pledge of Allegiance Boy Scout Pack 29

Washington County Soldiers on The Wall Stewart Boaz

POW/MIA Ceremony "Taps"

Moment of Silence

Retrieval of Colors

Wes Jones

Stewart Boaz Leah Scott

Boy Scout Pack 29



Lieutenant General Michael S. Tucker was born and raised in Charlotte, North Carolina and entered active duty as a Cavalry private in 1972. In 1979, after serving 2 years as a Basic

Training Drill Sergeant at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri, he graduated as the Distinguished Military Graduate from Officer Candidate School, and was commissioned an Armor Second Lieutenant.

Prior to his retirement in September 2016, he served as the Commanding General, First Army, located at Rock Island Arsenal, Rock Island, Illinois, since August 2013, Lieutenant General Tucker had served previously as Commanding General, 2nd Infantry Division, Camp Red Cloud, Republic of Korea, and Commander, 1st Brigade, 1st Armored Division, Friedberg, Germany, which included deployments in support of OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM.

Lieutenant General Tucker's award and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal (with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters), Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters), Bronze Star Medal with Oak Leaf and Valor Device, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (with 4 Oak Leaf Clusters), the Expert Infantryman Badge, the Drill Sergeant Identification Badge, the Parachutist Badge, the Department of the Army Staff Badge, and the German Army Ranger Badge.

Lieutenant General Tucker holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Social Psychology from the University of Maryland, a Master of Science degree in Public Administration from Shippensburg University, Shippensburg, PA, and a Master's Degree in Military Arts and Science from the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, Ft. Leavenworth, KS.

He and his wife, Teresa of Charlotte, North Carolina, have 3 children: Meredith, Jason, and Rachel and 6 precious grandchildren: Maddie, Abby, Clayton, Alex, Elli, and Colton. After 44 years of active service, the Tuckers retired on Lake Wylie near Charlotte, North Carolina. Lieutenant General Tucker continues to serve the Army as a Senior Mentor for the Mission Command Training Program, Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas.



SUNDAY MAY 20, 2018

The Wall That Heals be open until 3 pm

One hour prior to and one hour after the ceremony, the SHS Guitar Club will be playing songs from the era.

1:30 pm Closing Ceremony Wes Jones Master of Ceremonies Presentation of Colors American Legion Pledge of Allegiance Boy Scout Pack 29 Opening Prayer Jimmy Applegate "Peace in the Valley" Jimmy Applegate "I Am A Soldier" Stewart Boaz Introduction of Speaker Wes Jones Anne Terrell Speaker Closing Prayer with Moment of Silence Rick Main "Taps" Scott Gordon Retrieval of Colors American Legion 21 Gun Salute **VFW**

The Wall That Heals will close at 3:00 pm on Sunday May 20, 2018



Anne Terrell was born in Vergennes, Vermont during WWII, just before her father was inducted in the Army and served in Europe as the War was ending. Three of her uncles also served in different arenas of that war. Her brother, Barry, served two tours in Vietnam as

a medic. Fortunately, all came home. Unfortunately, Vietnam claimed a cousin; Keith Rivers whose name is engraved on this Vietnam Wall. Anne's family has served the military beginning with the American Revolution.

Anne graduated from Stranahan High School in Fort Lauderdale and Florida Atlantic University (BS in Humanities). She received an MS and certification in principalship from Indiana University Southeast.

Anne taught history for three years in Fort Lauderdale, 24 years for Salem Community Schools, and served 8 years on the Salem Board of School Trustees.

Anne is a member of the DAR, PEO, Tri Kappa Associates, Indiana Retired Teachers Association, Washington County Retired Teachers and The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. Anne volunteers for Awareness Washington County, PACT Domestic Violence Shelter and the Washington County Community Foundation, and attends Substance Abuse Council meetings. Anne loves traveling, reading, and being with her family, especially her three granddaughters.

POW/MIA CEREMONY

We call your attention to this small table. It is set for one, symbolizing the fact that members of our armed forces are missing from our ranks. They are referred to as POWs and MIAs. *Remember* We call them comrades. *Remember*

They are unable to be with their loved ones and families this afternoon, so we join together to pay our humble tribute to them, and bear witness to their continued absence. *Remember*

This table, set for one, is small, symbolizing the frailty of one prisoner, alone against his or her suppressors. *Remember* The tablecloth is white, symbolic of the purity of their intentions to respond to their country's call to arms. *Remember* The simple and was a in the same simple and the stable of the purity of their intentions.

The single red rose in the vase, signifies the blood they many have shed in sacrifice to ensure the freedom of our beloved United States of America. This rose also reminds us of the family and friends of our missing comrades who keep the faith, while awaiting their return. *Remember*

The yellow ribbon on the vase represents the yellow ribbons worn on the lapels of the thousands who demand with unyielding determination a proper accounting of our comrades who are not among us tonight. *Remember* A slice of lemon on the plate reminds us of their bitter fate. *Remember*

The salt sprinkled on the plate reminds us of the countless fallen tears of families as they wait. *Remember*

The glass is inverted - they cannot toast with us this afternoon. *Remember*

The chair is empty - they are not here. *Remember*

The candle is reminiscent of the light of hope which lives in our hearts to illuminate their way home, away from their captors, to the open arms of a grateful nation. *Remember*

Let us pray to the supreme commander that all of our comrades will soon be back within our ranks.

Let us remember and never forget their sacrifices.

May God forever watch over them and protect them and their families.

YOU ARE NOT FORGOTTEN SO LONG AS THERE IS ONE LEFT IN WHOM YOUR MEMORY REMAINS.



WE RECOGNIZE AND THANK ALL CURRENT AND FORMER Washington County residents who served during the Vietnam War.

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We humbly apologize for any errors or omissions.





With Gratitude

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED





First unveiled on November 13, 1982, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial remains an atypical war monument. Its main feature, a V-shaped wall inscribed with the names of over 58,000 U.S. soldiers killed during the Vietnam War, lacks heroic or patriotic symbols, and its polished black granite façade contrasts with the white marble statues and structures surrounding it on the National Mall. Nonetheless, it has become one of the most popular tourist attractions in Washington, D.C.

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial was built without government funds.

Jan Č. Scruggs, a wounded Vietnam War vet, studied what is now called post-traumatic stress disorder upon his return to the United States. Within a few years, he began calling for a memorial to help with the healing process for the roughly 3 million Americans who served in the conflict. After watching the movie "The Deer Hunter," Scruggs apparently stepped up his activism even further, using \$2,800 of his own money to form the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund in 1979. Many politicians expressed their support, and the U.S. Congress passed legislation reserving three acres in the northwest corner of the National Mall for a future monument. All donations, however, came from the private sector. By 1981 some 275,000 Americans, along with corporations, foundations, veterans groups, civic organizations and labor unions, had given \$8.4 million to the project.

A college student won the memorial's design contest.

Having raised the necessary cash, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund next held a design contest. The guidelines stipulated that the memorial should contain the names of every American who died in Vietnam or remained missing in action, make no political statement about the war, be in harmony with its surroundings and be contemplative in character. Over 1,400 submissions came in, to be judged anonymously by a panel of eight artists and designers. In the end, the panel passed over every professional architect in favor of 21-year-old Yale University student Maya Lin, who had created her design for a class.

Names are still being added to the memorial.

When the Vietnam Veterans Memorial was first dedicated three decades ago, Lin's wall contained the names of 57,939 American servicemen believed to have lost their lives in the Vietnam War. But since then, that number has jumped to 58,318. In order to be added, a deceased soldier must meet specific U.S. Department of Defense criteria, and those postwar casualties not eligible for inscription on the wall are honored instead with an onsite plaque. Those who are declared dead are denoted by a diamond, and those who are status unknown are denoted with a cross. When the death of one who was previously missing is confirmed, a diamond is superimposed over the cross. If the missing were to return alive, which has never occurred to date, the cross is to be circumscribed by a circle.

-Taps -

There are several verses to Taps. Here are some of the most common:

Day is done, Gone the sun, From the lake, From the hill, From the sky. All is well, Safely rest, God is nigh.

Thanks and praise, For our days, Neath the sun, Neath the stars, Neath the sky, As we go, This we know, God is nigh.

Fades the light; And afar Goeth day, And the stars Shineth bright, Fare thee well; Day has gone, Night is on.

Go to sleep, Peaceful sleep, May the Soldier or Sailor, God keep. On the land or the deep, Safe in sleep.

Love, good night, Must thou go, When the day, And the night Need thee so? All is well. Speedeth all To their rest









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