

Toooo Weeet... Attention on Deck... "Saints... August newsletter"... Arriving!

ALSO ON SAINTS WEBSITE

VA-163 SAINTS GRAM

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KEEPING THE MEMORY ALIVE

Distance and time may separate us

but friendship and memories won't

Dedicated to those who have invested their lives to the cause of Freedom in America! God Bless our Men and Women who are (or Have) in any way or manner served to protect our Great Nation and the freedom we have.

And God Bless the United States of America.

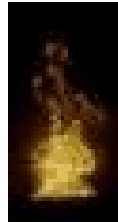


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Standing the Watch

Ed Copher, Editor, "Saints Everlasting Keeper of the Flame"

Saints Tradition

An old Saints tradition is that friends who have not seen or heard from each other for long periods of time never question their friendship. These friendships resume at the same time they left off regardless of distance and time between them. We call these friends **"Family"**.

Saints Motto

"Fight by Night or Day, Land or Sea"



ONCE A SAINT, ALWAYS A SAINT

Listen to music as you read the newsletter:

When the Saints Go Marching In – US Navy Seventh Fleet Band <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MgsgUbXCeIA&feature=related> at the top right of your screen, click the Minimize minus sign (-). It will then go back to the newsletter with the music playing. When finished listening to music, go to your desk top home page, on the bottom tool bar, right click on **When the Saints...**, and select close.

Vietnam Memorial Wall Song: <https://www.facebook.com/100000531380774/videos/1142596289101406/>

Sea Cruise: Frankie Ford: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i5tIHTbctFQ&feature=em-share_video_user

Goodnight Saigon: Billy Joel <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=Qjzjhl-QztE&feature=share>

VN Vets song: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/215020061882554/permalink/1206478169403400/>

Vietnam War Song: <https://www.facebook.com/TheWarriorConnection/videos/721229604627086/>





http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Douglas_A-4_Skyhawk



CAG-16 patch 1967







NAS Lemoore memorial



Birds of a feather... Flock Together



[Click Here](#)

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/va163saints/sets/>

Also on Saints website, [PHOTOS](#) section

Contains 80 Albums (Sets).... 4,832 Photos

View Counts as of 04 August 2017

Photos

731,762 views

Albums

30,724 views

Total

788,321 views



"Hubert Cook photos" (80 pics)

www.Flickr.com charges \$24.95 per year to keep the [SAINTS Photo Albums](#) on their web site.

****Paid the one year fee on 15 Nov 2016****



SAINTS WEB SITE

MAKE SURE AND VIEW THE WEBSITE. IT HAS BEEN RECENTLY UPDATED WITH LATEST NEWSLETTERS AND ROSTER

Saints website www.va163.org (password: *Saints4ever* (capital S))

13,463 Visitors since Mar 09

*****Total cost for the Website is \$173.97 per year**

"NEW"

NOTE: Just paid GoDaddy for two years, **\$239.00** for Website Hosting ²⁶
July

(They went up on the price \$55 more for the 2 years). Last 2 years was \$183.95)

\$239.00 to renew GoDaddy website hosting (paid for 2 years on 26 July 2017)

\$80.00 to renew Domain Name (va163.org) (paid for 2 years on 07 Mar 2016)

\$30.00 to renew Domain Provider (paid for 2 years on 27 Mar 2016)

\$10.00 to renew Domain Protector (paid for 2 years on 27 Mar 2016)

\$25.00 to Saints Photo Site, Flickr.com: \$25 per year (paid 15 Nov 2016)

Donations are appreciated

Ed Copher

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Canyon Lake, TX 78133

Saints Website and Photos site FEES:

Jim Houston, Palm Coast FL, is the Saints webmaster, designed the website, and does all the updates etc.

Website Hosting Provided by **GoDaddy** cost **\$239** for two years (*Paid up until 10 Sept 19*)

Domain Name: Provided by **Internet Domain Name Services** www.idns.ae an annual charge for keeping the www.va163.org is \$40 p/yr, paid for 2 years (*Paid up until 15 Mar 2018*)

Domain Provider: Provided by **Active Domain** \$15 p/year, paid for 2 years (*Paid up until 31 Mar 2018*)

Domain Protector: Provided by **Domain Admin** \$5 p/year, paid for 2 years (*Paid up until 31 Mar 2018*)

Photos Site: Saints Photos on the **Flicker site** is \$25 p/yr (*Due 15 Nov of each year Paid 15 Nov 2016*)



Skyhawk Magazine Article about Reno Reunion:

THE PREZ SEZ continued from page 2.

VA-163 and VA-164 Saints/Ghost Riders Reunion:
VA-163 and VA-164 held a reunion at the Nugget Casino in Sparks, NV, on 3-5 May 2017. As reported by Ed Copher, ecopher@sats.rz.com, the VA-163 SDO, in his June newsletter, the "VA-163 Saints Gram:"
"The Saints Reunion was a great success. A big thank you for all that were involved in organizing it, and especially Ode (ed., Richard Odegaard). The banquet was especially enjoyed



VA-163 Squadron Mates Enjoying the Reunion at the Nugget (photo via Ed Copher)

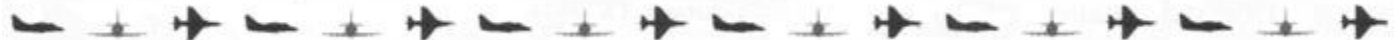


Brian Compton, Former Skipper of VA-163, (right), and Ed Chadwick on Lake Tahoe (photo via Ed Copher)

by all, very emotional touching speakers. The NAS Fallon tour was a lot of fun, very nice air park. Top Gun is there now! Oldest member attending was Brian Compton at age 89. The Nugget was very nice, and accommodating, most rooms were like brand new and first class. When is the next one????

If you have a reunion coming up, please send a short description to me or the Journal editor so that we can list it in *The A-4Ever Journal*.

A-4s Forever! ✈️



[Saint John Weber on Vacation in Jacksonville, FL:](#)



Jacksonville

Saint John Weber July 17



Saints Plane Captain Line Shack, Oriskany



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JC Ferris



Saint JC Ferris, in PI





[THE VIETNAM WAR](#) documentary premiere and community conversation:

On behalf of KQED, I would like to inform you that PBS will premiere THE VIETNAM WAR, a new 10-part, 18-hour documentary film series directed by Ken Burns and Lynn Novick. **The release will commence with the first five episodes airing nightly from Sunday, September 17, through Thursday, September 21 at 8 p.m. ET on PBS (check local listings). The final five episodes will air nightly from Sunday, September 24, through Thursday, September 28 8 p.m. ET on PBS (check local listings).**

THE VIETNAM WAR series presents the various human aspects of war through the revelatory testimony of almost 80 witnesses from all sides of the conflict, such as Americans who fought in the war, anti-war advocates, as well as combatants and civilians from North and South Vietnam. The documentary series went through a ten-year production process to collect rarely seen, digitally remastered archival footage from

numerous worldwide sources, such as celebrated photojournalists of the 20th Century and historic television broadcasts.

To celebrate The VIETNAM WAR documentary's long awaited release, KQED invites you and fellow Vietnam veterans to attend the KQED Newsroom Town Hall broadcast October 12, 2017 at the USS Hornet, where we will aim to have a conversation about what can be done to rebuild the divide between the stigma that Vietnam War veterans suffered on their return from service and The Bay Area's place in the anti-war movement.

Moreover, if you know about any Vietnam veterans who would be interested in sharing their perspectives on the war, please inform them about this opportunity or forward this email to them so that they can reach out to me at jflores@KQED.com or at my cell phone number [510-365-4248](tel:510-365-4248).



Info for those that have worn G-suits:

Interesting note from a former POW which may be of interest to all of who may have worn g-suits:

Surgery for a popliteal aneurysm behind my left knee. My popliteal artery behind my left knee had blown up the size of tennis ball. The vascular surgeon had performed the by-pass surgery replacing the artery behind the knee with a vein just in time before I either died or lost my left leg. The same surgeon then performed the same by-pass operation on January 17, 2002 on the right leg. After both surgeries and discussions with one of the three vascular surgeons involved, who happens to have been a Flight Surgeon, we discussed the following:

- * The Commanding Officer of VM0-2 (OV-10A Bronco Squadron) in which I flew combat missions in Vietnam in 1969 died in retirement at an early age of about 65 from associated problems that I just had a very, very close call with.
- * The Commanding Officer of VM0-2 who flew combat missions in the Bronco during 1971 was reported to have died from a vascular problem at about the age of 64.
- * My own Executive Officer of VMO-2, when I had been the Commanding Officer, died in retirement at about the age of 62 from an apparent vascular problem.
- * And, a friend of mine who is currently the Lockheed Martin consultant/rep to the Spanish Navy called me after my recent two vascular operations telling me that a close friend of his, an Admiral in the Spanish Navy and first Harrier pilot in the Spanish Navy just underwent the very same popliteal aneurysm surgery on one leg and he stated to my friend he thinks it was due to weakening damage to his artery behind his knee years ago where there is no G-suit protection.
- * I reported this to my vascular surgeon who was a Flight Surgeon. He said he is looking into this since there is no protection in G-suits behind the knees. The specific G-suit I wore in and out of combat was the:

Coverall, Anti-G Cutaway Type Mark 2A, Mil Spec C-23955. I mention this seemingly far-out theory to all fellow military pilots that I come across only to warn them that: If you have a bulge, particularly a pulsating bulge behind one or two of your knees get right in to see a Vascular Surgeon to have it checked out. My first visit to my internal medicine doctor with that symptom resulted in him saying I had a Baker's Cyst that needed removing. Upon my getting an MRI and seeing an Orthopedic Surgeon three weeks later, resulted in the Orthopedic Surgeon telling me I had a severe aneurysm and he sent me immediately to a Vascular Surgeon who said it was the biggest he ever saw. He promptly sent me to the Naval Medical Center (Balboa) San Diego, where two vascular surgeons performed by-pass surgery of the popliteal artery on both legs...and, due to loss of time, I almost lost my life or left leg. So please pass the above info on to any of your fine feathered flying friends you have contact with...it may save their lives, if they have any such symptom behind their knee or knees...whether caused by G-suits' design, extensive roller coaster riding, or maybe even simply flying as a commercial pilot for a lifetime, after a military flying period.



When you reported to the Squadron for the first time, were you ever sent out to get a bucket of Prop Wash, and the keys to the airplane?



SCUTTLEBUTT

Latest was heard at the "Gedunk"

The Smoking Lamp is out due to JP-5 Jet Fuel in the drinking water.

Cold Saltwater showers "only" due to no fresh water.

Remember: The soap will not rinse off in cold saltwater shower....



[Skyhawk Association Links:](#)

Skyhawk Association SDO. As you probably already know, you can find the web link to your squadron or unit at <http://www.a4skyhawk.org/content/us-navy-skyhawk-units>.

There have been changes to the website structure, however, the **main page remains the same:**
<http://www.a4skyhawk.org/>

The correct link to the VA-163 page is:

<http://www.a4skyhawk.org/content/va-163-saints>

The SDO coordinator contact is sa-sdo-coordinator@a4skyhawk.net or me.

The new SA contact listing is:

<http://www.a4skyhawk.org/content/association-contact-directory>

There is no ready room coordinator any more. Use the contact listing to contact the webmaster. There are no longer any xxx@a4skyhawk.org email addresses they are now xxx@a4skyhawk.net since we have changed our ISP.

Hope this makes sense; give me a shout with any questions. Sorry I did not catch this before.

Great news letter.

Pete Cole, SDO Coordinator



Skyhawk Digital Journal: Feb 2017

This year's digital edition can be found at: <http://a4skyhawk.info/article-journal-public/skyhawk-association-journal-public-page1>

[Skyhawk Association Journal - THE A-4ever](#)

a4skyhawk.info

Our "Members Only" Journal is published twice yearly and contains excellent textual and color image examples of the historical and current activities of one of the ...



The Skyhawk Association has 797 members, 14 Saints are members

Ed Copher is the Association SDO for VA-163 Saints and VA-125

Skyhawk Association, VA-163 page:

VA-163 Page, click here: <http://www.a4skyhawk.org/content/va-163-saints>

Association main page: <http://www.a4skyhawk.org/>

Please join the **Skyhawk Association**. They have a great **Quarterly Magazine**...allot of A-4's and Saints articles. **Only \$30 per year**.

Skyhawk Association Members: Use [link](#) to access the Ready Room for; recent additions, aircraft histories, photo galleries, our roster, journals, and more.

Need access to email list? The Association email list is on this new hosting service.

So all can start using this new list on Sunday 30 October. xxx@a4skyhawk.net

Contact Directory: <http://www.a4skyhawk.org/content/association-contact-directory>

SDO coordinator contact is sa-sdo-coordinator@a4skyhawk.net

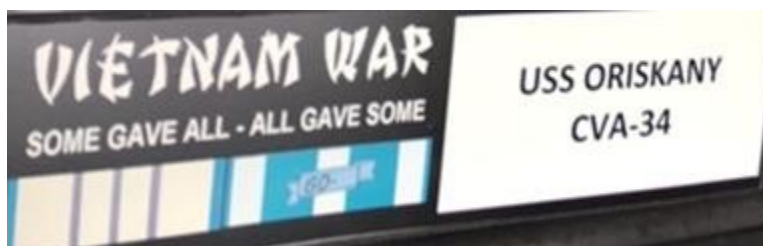
"Skyhawk Association Members: Use the new site address to get access to the wealth of info available and contact the webmaster for access to the 'Members Only' information at email webmaster@a4skyhawk.org ."



Saints and Military sites for Hats, Shirts, Pins, Decals, and Models: Submitted by Bill Tomko

Go to Saints Website, **Miscellaneous Section**, for details. Also www.usmedals.com

I have done a ton of Internet research looking for Saints, Oriskany and A-4 related collectibles, pictures, books, videos, models, decals, pins, shirts and hats. I was asked to publish some of the links I had been satisfied with. I am happy to share it here and if you need help finding some thing please feel free to email me at Tomkowj@aol.com





Agent Orange Troop



Vietnam War Resources:



Below is a link to a web site about the war in Viet Nam. Whether you are a Viet Nam veteran or not, you may find this web site very interesting because it contains an absolutely enormous amount of information about the war. <http://www.cc.gatech.edu/~tpilsch/Vietnam.html>



[Vietnam War Resources, Data Site: Amazing accumulation](#)

ALMOST ALL YOU EVER WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT VIETNAM AND A LOT MORE:

This is probably the best search list ever compiled about Vietnam. It would take months to look at everything this site offers.

Click on the link: <http://www-static.cc.gatech.edu/fac/Thomas.Pilsch/Vietnam.html>

[Life Magazine Vietnam War Photography:](#)

<http://www.bing.com/images/search?q=Life+Magazine+Vietnam+War+Photography&go=&form=QBIR>



Ed,

Jim Taylor and I were in VA-163 for all of the '65, '66 and '67/8 USS ORISKANY Viet Nam cruises. During our time in VA-163 we lost a total of 22 A4 aircraft (see attachment to original msg), a rather ignominious record. I was wondering if there were any others there for the entirety of that period and can share our foot note in infamy?

Floyd Oakes fmoakes@aol.com

Shark Repellent:

Early in my Vietnam 1967 cruise we were issued an emergency order to throw out all of our shark repellent, which had been carried for years by flyers. It seemed the repellent worked on sharks but attracted Barracuda.

Ed Chadwick



[SAINTS Newsletters in Archives:](#) *To view the last 12 months newsletters*

Go to www.yahoo.com (click on the link in blue)

On the Yahoo home page, select **Sign-In** (top right side)

Type in Yahoo ID: va163lemoore@yahoo.com

Type in Password: **saints4ever** (lower case)

After Signed In, back on the Yahoo home page, select **MAIL** (left side bar)

When you get into the mail box, select **Inbox** (on left side bar)

Select the newsletter that you want to view.

To get out of Mail, under the top toolbar, find Yahoo! click on that to get back to the Yahoo home page.

ALSO: When you first get to the Yahoo Home Page, if you are already signed in to a different yahoo account, then you must sign out of that account, and then sign in to Saints account.

“ALSO”

Newsletters are on Saints Website:

Go to Saints Website, click on [Newsletters](#),

To view the Roster: click on [Roster](#), then [Complete Roster](#), password: **Saints4ever** (capital S)



****Websites of Interest****

Oriskany Web Sites:

[USS Oriskany \(CVA 34\)](#) 25 Sep 1950 / 20 Sep 1979 Stricken from Navy List 1989. Sold 9 Sep 1995, but contractor defaulted. Repossessed by the Navy and contract terminated 30 Jul 1997. Sunk off coast of Florida 17 May 2006 for use as artificial reef. [Click on the ship name for a complete history.](#)

1. Great Oriskany Photos *from Dive Shop Pensacola*: www.mbtdivers.com
2. The best pictures of the reefing. *Going to her final resting place*: <http://www.irishmansoftware.com/Oriskany.htm>
3. Two Memorial Video's of the Oriskany: <http://www.ussoriskanyonline.com/>
4. Oriskany Reunion Association: www.ussoriskany.com
5. Video of Big O going under: <http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid=-1401279762745553286&q=oriskany>
6. Patriot Media "The Mighty O": <http://patriotmediainc.com/>
7. Oriskany Dive Video & Photos: http://www.oriskanycharterboats.com/oriskany_photos.htm
8. Diving Oriskany Reef, 25 March 2007: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9l-wYnIBZis>
9. Oriskany Cruise Books on CD's: 1. <http://glewis.us/obooks.htm> 2. <http://navysite.de/cruisebooks/cv34-67/index.html>
3. <http://navysite.de/cruisebooks/cv34-67/index.html>
10. Oriskany 1967 Vietnam Combat Cruise, DVD sale: http://www.cv41.org/GRS/uss_oriskany_67/index.html
11. Oriskany Information and History/Pictures: <http://www.pnj.com/newsfiles/oriskany/index.shtml>
12. Oriskany model: <http://www.motionmodels.com/ships/cv/>
13. USS Oriskany Photo Galleries: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/7437991@N08/galleries/72157622440145584>
14. USS Oriskany History 1972: <http://www.ussoriskany.com/id17.html>

15. USS Oriskany digital Cruise Book Project (<http://glewis.us/obooks.htm>)

16. Oriskany 1970...Flight Ops: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mXaKTJIVxHM&feature=email> 10 min

17. Oriskany Memorial Dive for Saint Ralph Bisz: *Saints logo patch placed on Oriskany, 20 Sept 2010*

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YqNETwJvF3A> 7:13 min video

18. Oriskany Dive to put Saint Larry Spear's ashes to rest on Oriskany: 03 Dec 2010

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aBnOkCrDnQo> 7:25 min video

19. Saints Video on YouTube: *Dennis Lund video filmed on the Oriskany including the Oriskany fire!*

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DJ5ykZjRaIM>

20. USS Hancock: Click here: [Scotty Moore - The USS Hancock \("Hannah"\)](#)

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21. Tour of Duty photo site: 3000 photos, some Saints <https://www.flickr.com/groups/435090@N22/>

22. USS Oriskany Fire & Sinking: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IS2uky8K5Jk> 42 min video

23. 1963 TOUR OF THE USS Oriskany: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e92t7kgV_Ws &

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k9Mh975VCII>

24. O Boat Sinking Video: <http://trib.al/t69QQT4>

NAVAIR China Lake: **Boom**

Weapons tests of weapons with and without explosive warheads. Great photography !!!!

Blowing stuff up at China Lake.

<https://www.youtube.com/embed/dN1SeHA15E>

Landing on a Carrier:

If you want to be a Naval Aviator...here is an excellent training video. Most of the things you need to know about landing on an aircraft carrier. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SPlqoeaPUu4&feature=endscreen&NR=1#t=30.682286>

Skyhawk Videos:

This is for the A4 Skyhawk enthusiast .Got this from my Nephew in law. I love to see those Bombs and Rockets go off "ON TARGET" and successfully complete the mission. I took many Skilled and brave Pilots and many hard working and skilled crew to do these 12 to 16 hours a day. Hard to believe I used to load the Ordinance so many, many years ago, where did all those muscles go? www.youtube.com/watch?v=6IQymtxjt24

www.youtu.be/1mfdRvzUVtM

www.youtube.com/watch?v=WgwEWSjzwz8

Cat Shot:

<https://www.facebook.com/360fly/videos/833531760105993/>

VN Memorial Wall with Faces:

<http://www.vvmf.org/Wall-of-Faces/20740/WILLIAM-R-HALE>

Blue Angels 2014: Awesome

<https://youtu.be/4DWRMPTF2DE>

[USS Oriskany \(CVA-34\)](#) in the movie "The Bridges at Toko-Ri" (1954) ...

USS Oriskany (CVA-34) was a straight deck aircraft carrier at that time...

<https://youtu.be/K46-MRxjteU>

Carrier Ops:

<https://www.facebook.com/usatoday/videos/10154999556550667/>

VA-164 Video: Miss Jessie and Ghost Rider 401

Dick Perry of the O-boat's VA-164 and the saga of Miss Jessie.

<https://www.facebook.com/DosEckes-Productions-362988187722/?pnref=story>

The Blues Flying the A-4

Oh the good old days. Scooter drivers prepare to shed a tear.....

The best Blue Angel show of all time. A-4's. Here is a video of them from the '70's. Bear Smith and Skip Umsted are the last two guys walking towards the camera before they get to their planes. They both died later in aircraft accidents. The crazy solo is Denny Sapp. Best show for the spectators because it was close to show center. Always in sight. **Tightest diamond formation ever.**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wk3XSV6H6w0>

[Resource Book with details of all aircraft loss on every cruise:](#) Submitted by Ed Chadwick

Here is a site where books by Rene J. Francillon can be purchased. His "**Tonkin Gulf Yacht Club**" has a section that shows every carrier deployment during the Vietnam. It details each aircraft loss on every cruise,

including the date, aircraft type, aircraft identification, squadron, pilots name / rank and well as whether the pilot was KIA, recovered or made a POW. I look at the book when memory fails me. It's a great resource.

<https://www.amazon.com/Ren%C3%A9-J.-Francillon/e/B001HCWSDM>

[Detail Thesis on CAG 16 1965-1967](#)

Commander Fey, who asked my permission to use a Photo I took of Commander Stockdale's Saints A-4 from 1965. He said he did a thesis on CAG 16 and a Manifest. Many of the Saints including Skipper's Compton and Foster were interviewed as well As Mildman and others. It spans 1965 thru 1967. I found it very interesting with insight I never was aware of, worth a read. WE WERE THERE!!! Thanks Bill Tomko

CAG 16 losses and info: https://www.google.com/?gws_rd=ssl#q=Peter+Fey+rolling+Thunder

[VN 40 years ago...75 pictures](#)

<http://www.vintag.es/2015/04/vietnam-war-40-years-ago-75-beathtaking.html>

[Legends of the Ho Chi Minh Trail](#)

<http://www.laosgpsmap.com/ho-chi-Minh-trail-Laos/>

There are many links to the archive by date as well as to specific articles like this one about an F-4 shootdown:

<http://www.laosgpsmap.com/ho-chi-minh-trail-shot-down-plane/>

This is the homepage:

www.laosgpsmap.com

Ho Chi Minh Trail Tours:

www.laosgpsmap.com/ho-chi-minh-trail-tours/

[Vietnam War Stories:](#)

<http://cherrieswriter.wordpress.com/category/the-vietnam-war-story/>

Tags : [book sites](#), [books war](#), [cherry soldier](#), [combat](#), [Combat Infantry](#), [digital books](#), [firefigths](#), [Grunts](#), [Hispanic](#), [Historical fiction](#), [jungle warfare](#), [Military](#), [novels](#), [The vietnam war](#), [The Vietnam war story](#), [Veteran](#), [Vietnam blog pages](#), [Vietnam book](#), [Vietnam conflict](#), [Vietnam veteran](#), [war books](#), [war stor](#), [Wars and Conflicts](#)

[Number of Vietnam Vets Still Alive:](#)

This has a lot of the statistics on Vietnam Vets.....

<http://www.nationalvietnamveteransfoundation.org/statistics.htm>

[1956 Navy All Hands Meeting:](#)

Thought you might find this 1956 All Hands..... interesting.

http://www.navy.mil/ah_online/archpdf/ah195603.pdf

[A good day to revisit the Virtual Wall:](#)

Vietnam Wall

First click on a state. When it opens, scroll down to the city and the names will appear.

Then click on their names. It should show you a picture of the person, or at least their bio and medals.

This really is an amazing web site. Someone spent a lot of time and effort to create it.

I hope that everyone who receives this appreciates what those who served in Vietnam sacrificed for our country. The link below is a virtual wall of all those lost during the Vietnam War with the names, bio's and other information on our lost heroes. Those who remember that time frame, or perhaps lost friends or family can look them up on this site.

<http://www.virtualwall.org/iStates.htm>

Do you remember these?

This will bring back memories

http://www.youtube.com/watch_popup?v=puGQsQux80k

Vietnam Photos:

<http://news.yahoo.com/photos/a-soldier-s-story-never-before-seen-images-of-vietnam-war-slideshow/vietnam-photo--599932980.html?format=embed#mediaphotosbobaspotlightgallery=%252Flightbox%252Fa-soldier-s-story-never-before-seen-images-of-vietnam-war-slideshow%252Fvietnam-photo--599932096.html>

Military Video ~ Ending is Fabulous

Please take the time to view this and watch till the end. I was so very touched. And once again.....

Thank you to ALL who have served our country! I live in a free nation because of your sacrifice! God Bless you! Because of the warriors of the past, the present, and the future, we Americans can walk tall. For those of you of may not know, or have forgotten, Lt. Col. Oliver North was wounded in Vietnam many times and never left the men he commanded. I am now passing this on for you to watch. It's not just enjoyable, it is riveting! When you are done pass it on too, I think it's important ... don't you? If you are a veteran, I say thank you, for everything! You are SO special! Take the time for this one. You won't be disappointed ... the end is a kicker.

<http://www.nragive.com/ringoffreedom/index.html>

NAS Lemoore April 1968:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5sRIO4kvjVE&feature=youtu.be>

Photos/History of Vietnam:

Excellent Viet Nam Pictorial History

From the Denver Post.

Click here: [VietamPictorialHistory](#)

Vietnam War - Source list

I am passing this along because it is probably the best search list ever compiled about the Vietnam War. This simply has to be shared with anyone who ever served in Vietnam. It would take months (*more like years*) to look at everything this site offers:

<http://www.cc.gatech.edu/fac/Thomas.Pilsch/Vietnam.html>

A-4 Skyhawks:

<http://a4skyhawk.org/>

When the Saints Go Marching In - US Navy Seventh Fleet Band

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MgsgUbXCeIA&feature=related>

VA Benefits Blog on Facebook:

VA Benefit Blog

https://www.facebook.com/vabenefitblog?sk=app_129722457108553#!/vabenefitblog?sk=wall

Douglas A-4 Skyhawk: 6:10 min video

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hApICSSZqAs&feature=related>

Vietnam War Documentary Trailer:

http://www.v-prod.com/trailer_vietnam.html

A-4 Skyhawk Photo Galleries on Flickr.com website: Some of our Saints photos are in there!!!

www.flickr.com/photos/45586426@N06/galleries/72157623353551691/

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http://post_119_gulfport_ms.tripod.com/rao1.html



SAINTS ONBOARD (260 Names)

“Muster Call”

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See website roster

Please advise if you have any additions or corrections.

Complete Muster Call can be found on the Saints website –
www.va163.org (password, **Saints4ever**) capital **S**

