

Lima Co. 3/5 Reunion



VIETNAM 1966-1971

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Crown Plaza Hotel, San Diego



2018 Reunion in San Diego
&
Dedication for the 5th Marine Memorial Monument

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5TH MARINES VIETNAM MEMORIAL MONUMENT

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Social Media:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/VietnamWarMemorial/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/vietnamwarmem>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/vietnamwarmemorialproject/>

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Dedication Ceremony will begin at 11:00 am on May 28th at Camp San Mateo. We need to provide information for our attendance at the Dedication Ceremony. We have to give them the names of all who will attend.

Their registration form is:

Name	_____	
Vietnam Veteran	Yes	No
Gold Star Family Member	Yes	No

We need this information by April 28th, one month before the Dedication, so we can inform the Dedication Committee. They need this information so that they can **set up for the Dedication and be able to get us on the Base to Camp San Mateo.** Please make sure that you get me this information so we can turn it over to them. You can call me, e-mail me, or send it to me with the Reunion Order Form.
Just make sure you let me know.

We need to gather together at this Reunion to remember our 165 Brothers who gave their lives for Lima Company 3/5. They are our true Heroes.

2018 SAN DIEGO REUNION

Ooh-Rah Lima 3/5 Marines and Corpsmen,

My Co-host Al Brooks and I are taking this opportunity to give you a preview of this year's very special Lima Co., 3/5, Vietnam Veterans Memorial Day 2018 Reunion. Why special? On Memorial Day, May 28, 2018, the 5th Marine Vietnam Memorial Monument will be formally dedicated at 5th Marine HQ, Camp San Mateo, Camp Pendleton, CA. The monument will contain the names of all 2,706 5th Marine Regiment Marines and Corpsmen KIA in Vietnam. **There are 165 Lima Co. Marines and Corpsmen whose names will appear on the monument, and each and every one of us either knew or was a personal friend of one or more of these 165 Marines and Corpsmen.**

It has been 50 years (+/-) since we were in Vietnam. A long time. This will be perhaps our only opportunity to honor their memory and sacrifice with our presence. But for the Grace of God we are not among the 165. We expect the dedication will be spectacular with most of the current Regiment present along with many notable VIPs and most importantly other Vietnam Veterans from Mike, Kilo and India companies.

The 2018 Reunion will be at the Crown Plaza Hotel (formerly the Red Lion Hanalei Hotel) where we hosted 2 previous reunions. I met with the staff and toured the grounds and rooms. The place is Number 1 GI. The Hospitality Room is the same as before and is poolside. There are tons of things to do in San Diego – Gas Lamp District (great food and bars), San Diego Zoo and Wild Animal Park, Sea

World, USS Midway Museum (tour the retired carrier), Balboa Park (awesome place), La Jolla Cove State Park (beautiful ocean park), harbor cruises (dinner or just drinks), fishing, Old Towne SD (Home of the Whaley Haunted House Museum and terrific Mexican Restaurants) plus more plus Tijuana (if your adventuresome). Our banquet dinner is again planned for outdoors and will have entertainment. Al and I will be contacting 5th Marine HQ to arrange a Memorial Service prior to the monument dedication for Saturday am either at the Father Cappodano (Operation Swift MOH) Memorial Chapel at San Mateo, or at the hotel. More to follow on that.

One last thing. It is very important to make early reservations for two reasons. The first is the hotel will fill up quickly for the Memorial Day Holiday. The Lima 3/5 rates are good through a month prior to the reunion. After that, rooms will cost over \$200.00 per night, if any are available. If not you'll have to find another hotel and will need luck doing so. Second, registration for attendance at the Memorial Dedication is required in order to get on base. Al, Dan and I will register Lima Co. attendance provided you either have reserved a room or let us know you will be attending. I am in process of contacting the Memorial Committee to ascertain what info is required for registration and will pass along as soon as received,

Dan, Al and I look forward to hosting the largest (?) Lima 3/5 Reunion ever. A lot of reasons to come. And we aren't getting any younger.

Semper Fidelis,

Dennis Freed



2001 San Diego



2006 San Diego

2018 SAN DIEGO REUNION ORDER FORM

Advance orders only
Pick up at Reunion



Shirt orders due
By April 20th
SHIRT ORDERS
DUE BY
April 20 ! ! ! !

Polo Shirts are Gray with Silk Screened 3/5 Logo on front and Lima Company KIAs on the back

Polo Shirt S, M, L, XL \$24 ea. Size____ Qty.____ \$_____

Polo Shirt XXL, XXXL \$26 ea. Size____ Qty.____ \$_____

Pocket Polo Shirt S, M, L, XL \$27 ea. Size____ Qty.____ \$_____

Pocket Polo Shirt XXL, XXXL \$29 ea. Size____ Qty.____ \$_____

T-Shirts are Gray with Silk Screened 3/5 Logo on front and Lima Company KIAs on the back

T-Shirt S, M, L, XL \$20 ea. Size____ Qty.____ \$_____

T-Shirt XXL, XXXL \$23 ea. Size____ Qty.____ \$_____

Hats are Red with Logo on front and VSM Ribbon on back

Hats are adjustable \$20 ea. Qty.____ \$_____

\$10.00 Postage for shirt order
If not attending the Reunion \$_____

Total Shirt Order \$_____

**CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GENERAL FUND AND OPERATION REACHOUT
WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED**

Pre-Pay Banquet Dinner \$55 Per Adult (Children under 12 Free) . . . #____@\$55 = \$_____

General Fund Contribution \$_____

Operation ReachOut Contribution \$_____

Total Shirt Order \$_____

Total for 2018 San Diego Reunion. \$_____

Total Number of attendees for the Dedication at Camp Mateo . . . _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ St. _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

E-Mail _____

**Make checks payable to
Dan Nordmann**

**Send form to:
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11702 Avery Ln.
Bridgeton, MO 63044-2105**

2018 SAN DIEGO REUNION



May 24 to May 29, 2018
Thursday thru Tuesday
Crowne Plaza, San Diego
an IHG Hotel

2270 Hotel Circle North
San Diego, CA 92108
1-866-257-7930
1-619-297-1101

Room Rates are \$129

Plus 12.5% tax

Discounted \$6.00 Parking Rate

Order by phone 1-866-257-7930
Group code LCB or
Lima Co. 3rd Batt. 5th Marines

Discounted Hot Buffet Breakfast
\$10.00 Per Person Daily
Room Rates are good for
May 21st thru June 1st

The \$129 Room Rate has to be reserved before April 24th

Order Room on Line

https://www.crowneplaza.com/redirect?path=hd&brandCode=CP&localeCode=en®ionCode=1&hotelCode=SANCP&_PMID=99801505&GPC=LCB&viewfullsite=true

The **Crowne Plaza Hotel** was formerly the **Hanalei Hotel**. This is the same Hotel for the Reunion of 2001 and 2006. The Reunion starts on a **Thursday May 24th till Tuesday May 29th**. Dates are changed from the normal June Reunion because of the **Dedication Ceremony on Monday, Memorial Day May 28th**.

It is really important to make your reservations as early as possible. The Hotel will probably fill up because of the Holiday Weekend. **Please send me the Reunion Order Form and make sure to put in the attendee count so we can let the Dedication Committee know how many are coming to the Dedication.**
This is really important so that we can be let on the Base at Camp San Mateo

We are still working on transportation for the Dedication Ceremony. We don't have a cost on that yet, but we can collect it at the Reunion.

LIMA 3/5 MEMORIAL SHIRT

In Memory of Lima Company Heroes 3rd Battalion 5th Marines 66-71 Vietnam

1966

Louis X. Cabrera, Jr.
Willie L. Collier
Michael J. Banovez, Jr.
Lewis C. Barnard
Danny L. Rutherford
Richard A. Gilbreath
John C. Holoka
Robert E. Stallings
Bruce A. Baker
Pruitt H. Cheaney
Norman L. Koos
James R. Nash
Paul J. Strausser
Gerald L. Perry
John L. Hawkins, Jr.
Anthony R. Bosh
Phillip M. Wilson
Thomas A. Duckett
Bernard J. O'Donnell
Walter H. Jones
Richard L. Otte

1967

Roger E. Cooper
Bruce D. Patterson
Sidney G. Kreisher
Thomas R. Burns
Michael W. Carey
Anthony M. Cass
Michael H. Collins
William R. Dalrymple
Dennis W. Frasier
Michael J. Greeley
Lowell R. Lloyd
Joseph Matthews
Gerald F. McDonald
Robert D. Millan, Jr.
Benjamin G. Mollica
Benjamin Richardson
John E. Schon
Jack Smaso
Joseph P. Smith
Allen W. Stath
Laddie C. Stierwalt

1967

Arnold G. Wilkering, III
Robert B. Daniels
Donald L. White
Howard A. Donald
Gregory C. Coin
Willard D. Durham, Jr.
Charles W. Warner
Charles G. Buttler, Jr.
Michael F. Elflein
Vincent R. Capodanno
Allan J. Herman
David J. Gulash
Robert J. Edwards
Ronald D. Sheffey
Larry V. Lyle
David E. Helm
Thomas R. Boyden

1968

Richard W. Fox, Jr.
Daniel J. Johnson
Harold E. Hager
John J. Hughes
Douglas A. Young
John R. Allison
Thomas E. Falk
Victor Gonzales, Jr.
Richard A. Hueffner
Joe D. Dunn
William R. Klawitter
John H. Moreno
Alden F. Morey, Jr.
Steven P. Swatek
David E. Jackson
John E. Malone
Daryl L. Stith
Ronald G. Swaim
Terrence P. O'Brien
Bradley Bowling
Carlton H. Hood
Melvin R. Simpson
Earl W. Cobbley, Jr.
Ollie Forte
Henry Kolakowski, Jr.

1968

Randolph T. Jefferson
Richard D. Sullivan, Jr.
Kenneth R. Jones
Donald B. Scott
Alfred L. Wyant
William A. Joy
John A. Tesaro
Leonard M. Parrish
David L. Wilson
Richard G. Daniels
Richard H. Arruda
Arley G. Abraham
Eugene J. Feeley, Jr.
James A. Hunt
Curtis J. Krauhs
Freddie McQueen
Henry E. Carmichael, Jr.
John R. Parsons
Burt E. Miller
Thomas B. Rainey
John H. Roach
George S. Straszewski
Larry S. Heater
Al D. Memory
Joseph A. Merrill
William A. Perkins, Jr.
Clarence L. Love
Zeneido Ortiz, Jr.

1969

Daniel D. Bruce
Raymond E. Tolsma
Carl T. Yeckley
Roger D. Bragg
Victor J. Cartier
Leon Wilson
Richard L. Anderson
Jack M. Ornelas
Michael J. Fratto
Terry L. Adkins
Arturo B. Gutierrez
Carlisle O. Wark, Jr.
Roy L. Baldwin
Charles W. Ford

1969

Robert L. Kleinsmith
Jerome Menter
Richard T. Miller
Carlton E. Packard, Jr.
Ernest A. Pinamonti
Marion D. Powell
Alan N. Prentice
Thomas A. Stratton
Edward R. Tolley
Esteban A. Trevino, Jr.
Rodger A. Vandergriff
Dennis H. Wright
George D. Thomas
Bruce F. Pearson
Christopher R. Reed
Royal P. Oden
Leon R. Barickman
Paul M. DuCharm
Ralph D. Storm
Nomand A. Corbin
Jared A. Frisbie
Francisco Gonzales, Jr.
James R. Wallace
Richard G. Bouchard
Michael L. D'Agrella
Lawrence D. Larson
Thomas L. Graves
Harold J. Junga
Charles R. Pittinger
James A. Cooper

1970

William E. Haggard
William D. Schiermeyer
Billie J. Wilson
Leonard E. Nyberg
Edward C. Haggerty
Luis Ramos

1971

Glen C. Klein
Frederick W. Baldauf
Gary R. Boeck

In 2006 at the Reunion, Lima 3/5 had their first Memorial Shirts. This year we are going to have them made again. Hopefully everyone in attendance at the Dedication Ceremony will wear their Memorial Shirt. Above is what the back of the polo shirt will look like. The names are listed in the order when they were KIAs. The front will have a Lima 3/5 Logo on the left side.

The 5th Marine Vietnam Memorial Monument Organization still needs donations. If you haven't made one yet, please do. If you've made a donation already, please make another one if you can.

5TH MARINE VIETNAM MEMORIAL MONUMENT



**Lima 3/5 Supports the Fighting 5th Marine Memorial Monument
In honor of the 165 Marines from L 3/5 on the Wall**

Dedication set for Memorial Day 2018

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Phone _____ **E-Mail** _____

Time Served with Lima _____ **Rank** _____

Brothers I served with on the Wall _____

My Donation \$ _____

Make a check payable to "**5th Marines Vietnam War Monument**"

On the memo line of the check, please indicate that the donation is for "**5th Marines Vietnam War Monument**"

Please mail your check to:

5th Marines Vietnam Memorial

c/o Dana Point 5th Marine Regiment Support Group

P.O. Box 471

Dana Point, CA 92629-0471

We . . . Our Band of Brothers

Properly, this Memorial is for the Marines and Corpsmen who will never see this dedication to their service.

Side by side we stood by the Marines who led as we followed: Thru rice patties, villages, Hue City and the jungles in the mountains.

I will visit this site one day, stand proud, perhaps shed a tear and know . . . We were Lima 3/5 and will always be.

. . . Semper Fi

LIMA COMPANY



3RD BN. 5TH MARINES 1ST MAR. DIV.
VIETNAM 1966-1971

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