

Lima Co. 3/5 Reunion



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January, 2011 ... Newsletter #89 ... *Merry Christmas & Happy New Year*

Reunion 2011 • Chattanooga, TN June 14th thru June 19th

Get ready to ride the Chattanooga Choo Choo



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PLEASE BE ADVISED OF THE DEATHS

**of Ronnie Miller '67-'68, 25 Jan 08
and Art Dayton 13 Oct 09.**

In order to update the Company Roster I need your help.
Please complete the form below and return it to me by mail or internet e-mail.

Name: _____ Spouse: _____
Address: _____ Children: _____

Phone: _____
E-mail: _____ Cell: _____
Occupation: _____
Rank: _____ MOS: _____ Sqd/Plt: _____
Dates of Lima 3/5 Service: _____ Purple Hearts/Dates: _____
Awards/Dates: _____

**I will e-mail the Lima Company Roster and Roster update form after this newsletter is mailed.
If you want one, I need your e-mail address. If you don't have a computer,
give me a call and I can send out a hard copy.**



Sick Call



Gunny Levesque and Gunny Loucks were both hospitalized last fall. Each one had a heart attack which resulted in having surgery to install stints.

Both are doing fine at this time and plan on attending the Chattanooga Reunion. Give them a call.

Agent Orange Update

My fellow Vietnam Veterans,

In today's mail I received a letter stating I was approved for my claim for Ischemic Heart Disease. I filed the claim in July of 2010. I had a stent put in in Jan. 2002. I don't know if that had anything to do with being approved or not. So, if you haven't already applied for this latest approved disease related to Agent Orange, do so. My rating was approved for 10% plus my med's that the VA will supply related to this illness. Feel free to pass this on to any veteran.

Semper Fi,
Kevin Shaughnessy (1966)

Ronnie Miller

Guys,

Ronnie Miller served with Lima Co., 1st Squad, 1st Platoon, around the same time as I did. He made it through Hue, then got hit in the knee in March '68 by mortar fire. He was hit somewhere in the Au Shau where the unit went after Hue. He and I spoke on the phone, exchanged Christmas cards every year, and even got together, although that was 20 years ago. We lost touch a few years ago when I quit getting cards. I surfed the internet looking for him today, and I found his obit which is to the right. Nam had a profound effect on Ronnie. He spent a couple years with the Monks in a monastery in Iowa when he returned. His time over there was a lot for him to bear. I tried to get him to a few reunions, but he just wouldn't take that step. I remember he used to wear a stupid red beret in Nam and I never lost an opportunity to give him grief for it. Dumb ass French beret. He kept wearing it anyway. I noted his family used his Marine pic in the obit. Anyway, another one of our brothers has left us. I hope when our day comes, we can all meet up in heaven and drink a toast to us.



Semper Fi,
Dennis Freed

Ronald T. "Ronnie" Miller, age 61 died peacefully at home at 10:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 25, 2008

Burial will be at Mt. Calvary Cemetery following cremation

Ronald T. Miller was born April 19, 1946 in Dubuque, Iowa. Son of Taft W. and Mary G. (McCarthy) Miller.

Ronnie was a 1964 graduate of Wahlert High School. He served in the US Marine Corps during the VietNam War, serving in VietNam where he was awarded the Purple Heart for injuries sustained. Ronnie's career in singing began when he was at Wahlert High School and involved in the musicals. He sang with several dance bands including, Jan Garber, Guy Lombardo, Dick Wickman and lastly with Hunter Fuerste. He had several bands of his own over the years including the Swinging Strings, Yesterdays Children (a 25 piece band) and Shaft. He started his career at the age of 16. Ronnie had a "heart of gold" and cared for his mother in her last illness.

Survivors:

1 Sister: Jean E. (Russ) Heer,
2 Brothers: Joseph W. (Debra) Miller,
Dennis R. (Betty) Miller, all of Dubuque, Iowa
Several nieces and nephews.
Special friends: Patty Ostrander, Melita and Pat Schneider

Preceded in death by: his parents and a sister, Patricia in infancy

Memorial: A Ronald T. Miller Memorial Fund has been established in lieu of flowers



C-Rations

Can anyone remember all those delicious meals.
Here's a little help to remember those 12 selections that were so tasty.



12 ready to eat meals in a case, 4 B1's, 4 B2's, and 4 B3's. And don't forget the condiments.

B-1 Units

Meat Choices (in small cans):

- Beef Steak
- Ham and Eggs, Chopped
- Ham Slices
- Turkey Loaf

Fruit:

- Applesauce
- Fruit Cocktail
- Peaches
- Pears

Crackers (7)

Peanut Butter

Candy Disc, Chocolate

Solid Chocolate

Cream

Coconut

Accessory Pack*

B-2 Units

Meat Choices (in larger cans):

- Beans and Wieners
- Spaghetti and Meatballs
- Beefsteak, Potatoes and Gravy
- Ham and Lima Beans
- Meatballs and Beans

Crackers (4)

Cheese Spread, Processed

Caraway

Pimento

Fruit Cake

Pecan Roll

Pound Cake

Accessory Pack*

B-3 Units

Meat Choices (in small cans):

- Boned Chicken
- Chicken and Noodles
- Meat Loaf
- Spiced Beef

Bread, White

Cookies (4)

Cocoa Beverage Powder

Jam

Apple

Berry

Grape

Mixed Fruit

Strawberry

Accessory Pack*

*Accessory Packs included a plastic spoon, salt, pepper, instant coffee, sugar, creamer, matches, cigarettes, and toilet paper. The most important item needed for all these delicious meals, though, was a p-38. I'm sure most of us still have ours from Nam.



And I know that we all sterilized the opener before reuse. A wipe on the utilities was sufficient. I don't know about you, but my least favorite meals were Ham and Lima Beans and Ham and Eggs, Chopped. I liked all the rest, especially the B-1 units with fruit.



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★ Hospitality Room

Opens on Tuesday, June 14th

★ Business Meeting

Saturday, June 18th at 9:00 a.m.

★ Banquet & Silent Auction

Saturday, June 18th
with Cocktails at 6:00 p.m. and
Dinner served at 7:00 p.m.

HELP US START ROUNDING UP AUCTION ITEMS

“Operation Hastings” Battalion in San Antonio Sept. 2010



Back Row: Jim Yakubsin, Ron House, Al Ross, Kevin Shaughnessy, John Wold, Jim Bridston, Steve Cobb.
Front Row: Leo Hand, Dan Nordmann, Doc Merriman, Mike Soto, Lorenzo Mungary. Not in picture John Harris.