

# Lima Co. 3/5 Reunion



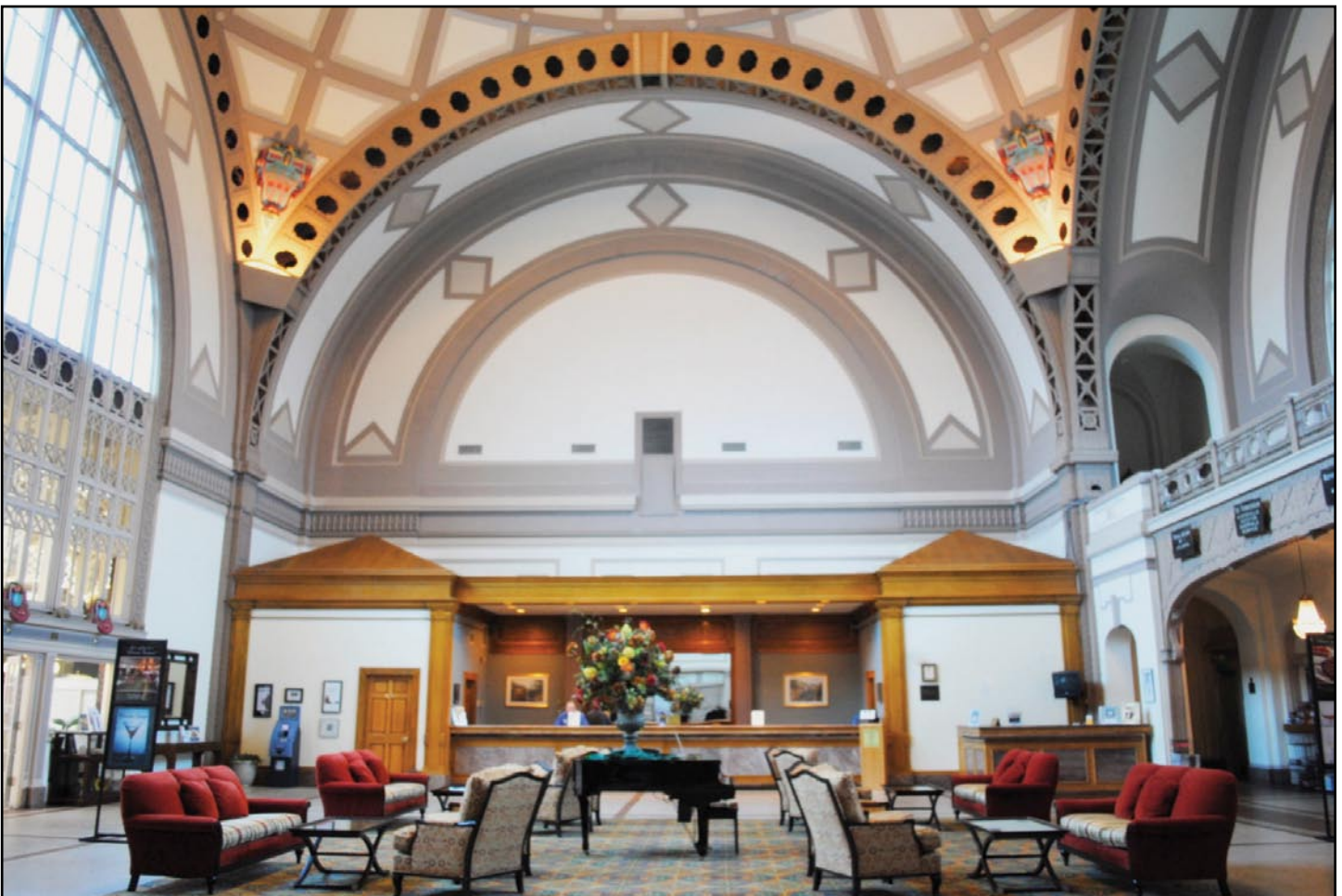
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April, 2011 . . . Newsletter #90 . . . *Chug on down to Chattanooga*

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



**Make Your Reunion Plans Now!**  
**Registration Form on Page 5.**

**SEMPER FIDELIS**

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## Lima 3/5 Website:

Checkout the Command Cronologies and Operations at [www.limathreefive.com](http://www.limathreefive.com)

## Do You Remember? From Lima 3/5 Archives - hand written on a yellow legal pad at a Reunion - author unknown

Chi Com, RPG, RPD, B-40, Bug Juice, Kool-Aid & Halazone Tabs, L.P.'s., Red Mail Bags, F.P.O. FREE, Korean merchants, Conex PX, 61mm 82mm 51mm 122 140, Chieu Hoi's, Snake & Nape, Short Time Calender, Number 10, Number 1, Rear work Details, Amtracs, River Crossings, Booby Traps, Arizona, Go Noi, Que sons, Ham & Mo Fo's, ARVN's (Crybaby, Worthless, Chicken Shit, Disappearing), P.F.s, NSA or NAS?, Rubber Bitches, Poncho Liners, Hot Sauce, Canned Tomatoes, Beani Weinies, Cut a Chogie, Booked, DIDI, Chuck, Victor Charlie, VC, Career Advisor in a Combat Zone, Da Nang P.X., ROKs, China Beach, Red Beach, World, Real Commode Seat, Wet Gas Masks, No Gas Masks, Hard Core, Thump Thump Thump, Smell of Death, Helmet & Flak Jacket Graffiti, Helmet Inner tube, Sand Bags, Cook Fire Odor, Dog Tag on a Boot, C-Rat Spoon, Malaria Pill, C-4, Heat Tab, Leeches, Jungle Rot, Zinc Oxide, Uncertainty, Eating off Comic Books, Sit Reps, Bunker Watch, Pogues, In the Rear with the Gear, Machete, Jungle Grunge, 6s, Actuals, Beav Coup, Ice Cream, New Guys (Saucer Eyed, White, Black Boots), FNGs, Like a Turd in a Punch Bowl, Non-Hacker, Planet of the Apes.

**If you remember any more, e-mail me for the next newsletter.**



# TAPS

*It's a sad time to announce the passing of two of our own, Nick Dousanis and Ernie Senez.*

## NICK DOUSANIS

**PFC Nick Dousanis 1968**  
0331 Machine Guns  
1968 Awarded 4 Purple Hearts  
from 24 Nov 68 to 8 Dec 68.  
Attended 5 Reunions, the last  
in 2004 at Daytona Beach.  
Died: 21 Jan 2011



**Nick Dousanis**  
2004 Daytona Beach

## ERNIE SENEZ

**PFC Ernie Senez 1968**  
0331 Machine Guns  
1968 Awarded Purple Heart  
Attended 10 Reunions,  
the last in 2009  
at Charleston.  
Died: 23 Feb 2011



Present at the Senez Funeral  
**Dan Nordmann,**  
**Joe Pollicino,**  
**Gunny Loucks,**  
**Skip St. Clair,**  
**Jim Haddaway and**  
**George Christo**

### In Memory of Ernest Joseph Senez

**December 31, 1949 - February 23, 2011**

Ernest Joseph Senez, 61, of DeBary, Florida died Wednesday, February 23, 2011 at his home. Funeral services will be 4 P.M. Saturday, February 26 at Deltona Memorial Funeral Home, 1295 Saxon Blvd. Orange City with Fr. Joe Roberts and Deacon Jim Lathan officiating. Interment with Military Honors will follow at Deltona Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends from 1 P.M. till service time. Ernest was born in Springfield, Massachusetts and moved to West Volusia in 1972 from West Springfield, Mass. He was the owner of Ernest Senez Building and Roofing of Orange City. Ernest was an area youth soccer coach for 17 years and was the first Boys Varsity soccer coach at Pine Ridge High School. He was a member of our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church of Deltona; Florida Chapter of the Paralyzed Veterans of America; Life Member of the Disabled American Veterans. He was a veteran of the US Marine Corp. serving in Vietnam(1968-1969) and was awarded the Purple Heart. Ernest is survived by his wife of 39 years - Anne Forest Senez ; 2 Sons- Isaac E.(Ericka) Senez of Lake Helen; Shane R. Senez of Deltona. Parents- Edmond and Leona Senez of Orange City. 3 brothers- Col. Ronald ( Nancy) Senez of Springfield, Mass.; Bernard ( Kathleen) Senez of Orange City; Edmond Senez of Orange City. Sister- Bonnie( Brian)LaPorte of Springfield, Mass.; 2 Granddaughters- Shyanne and Ariana Senez of Lake Helen . The Family prefers memorial donations to the ALS association, Florida Chapter, 3242 Parkside Center Circle, Tampa, FL 33619-0907 Arrangements under the direction of Deltona Memorial Funeral Home, Orange City, FL.

*Very sad news. Ernie was the first Marine I met when I joined Lima Co.*

Semper Fi, Doc Fowler

Dear Brothers,

I am saddened by this message about Ernie. Not knowing the whole story behind his passing, I'm once again baffled by our Lord's desire to take some of us that survived the war earlier, over others that have gone the distance. Mine is not to question why? ... Mine is ... to do ... or die ...

But, I wanted to give you my last memories of Ernie, and how we came together during another emotional time in our lives with our Corps.

You may remember a very special Brother of mine passing away in '04. We lost Alabama, Jim Gullege, a long time close friend to a genetic disease. Although I could write buku stuff about Jim and our friendship - I just wanted to spill my guts about me and Ernie, and spending the last time I saw him.

I drove cross country from Texas after learning of Jim's death, in order to attend the funeral in Gadston, AL. At the same time, Skip St. Clair, Don Leveque and Doc Fowler, and Danny Handy were doing the same - pooling their resources. And, Capt. Bob Snowden, Ernie, and Jerry Davis had pooled together to be there and pay their respects with us and the Gullege family.

It was a heartbreaker folks. Long time friend of Jim's and honor to our Company, Jerry Stanfield, delivered the eulogy. Very touching. And, we stayed up all night before the funeral, drinking and cussing (Irish wake?), as a tribute to a fallen Brother. But probably the most touching thing that I will always remember best, is during the grave site ceremony the next day, when the Marine Corps Color Guard folds the flag and presents it to the family (Jim's son) and gives the slow salute. Our Lima Brothers were standing in formation, and at attention. I think I was the only one wearing a cover (DAV), and I followed suit ... rendering a slow salute.

Ernie, standing next to me, started to loose it. His compassion was so strong as to envelop the whole ceremony, and I grabbed his arm, and whispered "Stay with me a little longer, Ernie, and I'll put a bear hug on you as you've never experienced". (Because tears were starting to stream down my face, and I was on the verge of loosing it, as well!!) And when it was all over, we cried together. Imagine that! Marines crying for God's sake! But we did, and then we all did. Bunch of tough guys. Huh? ... (I think God is okay with that?)

So, my memories of Ernie expand past the good times in the hospital-ity rooms, during our reunions, and into what was then, and what is now ... A memorable time of Brother's sticking together to get past it all.

God Bless Ernie! I loved him as a brother.  
Always Semper Fidelis ~ Yukon

## LIMA 3/5, VIETNAM

Photos From Our Archives



Bill Smallwood



Bob Baughman & Ken Parkman



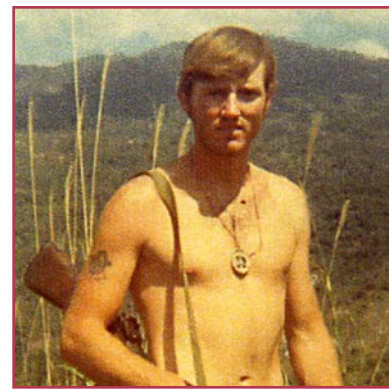
Danny Handy



Dave Petchel



Dennis Freed



Earl Powell



Gunny Casper & Tom Williams



Roby Wood



William Looby



Larry Goldsmith & Gunny Loucks



Terry Sjulín



Dan Nordmann

# REUNION 2011 • CHATTANOOGA, TN



## All Kinds of Attractions

- Chickamauga-Chattanooga National Military Park
- Lookout Mountain • Model Railroad Museum
- National Medal of Honor Museum • River Boats
- Rock City Gardens • Ruby Falls • Zoo

**June 14 thru June 18, 2011**

## Chattanooga Choo Choo Historic Hotel

1400 Market Street • Chattanooga, TN 37402

**1-800-872-2529**

**423-266-5000**

**\$95.00 Nightly** - Room Rates are good from June 12th through June 21st. Book your room by calling toll free and requesting the "Lima 3/5 Group Rate".

**Room Reservation Deadline is May 22, 2001**

**Website: [www.choochoo.com](http://www.choochoo.com) • Free Parking**

**Hospitality Room** opens on Tuesday, June 14th  
**Business Meeting** Saturday, June 18th at 9:00 a.m.

**Banquet & Silent Auction** Saturday, June 18th  
Cocktails at 6:00 p.m. • Dinner served at 7:00 p.m.

**HELP US START ROUNDING UP AUCTION ITEMS**



Jerry Stanfield has special Polo Shirts and T-Shirts being made up for this Reunion. The shirts will have a Special Theme. They will be available the week of the Reunion in Chattanooga. Price to be determined.

Friday afternoon in Chattanooga, Jerry will be hosting a Southern Style "Pig Picking Brunch" at the Reunion Hospitality Room. Cost for this event will be minimal. You can pay Jerry at the Reunion. It should be good food, good drink, and good times for the Lima 3/5 Family.



## CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GENERAL FUND & OPERATION REACHOUT WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED

**PRE-PAY Banquet Dinner** \$40.00 per Adult.....# \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$40.00 = \$\_\_\_\_\_  
All under 12 are FREE

**GENERAL FUND Contribution** ..... \$\_\_\_\_\_

**OPERATION REACHOUT Contribution** ..... \$\_\_\_\_\_

**Total for Chattanooga Reunion** ..... \$\_\_\_\_\_

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "DAN NORDMANN"**

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**SIGN UP FOR GOLF** No. of Golfers \_\_\_\_\_ (Pay at the Course)

**FRIDAY "PIG PICKING BRUNCH"** No. \_\_\_\_\_ (Pay Jerry at the Reunion)

**All you VFW, American Legion, DAV, Purple Heart, Vietnam Veteran members,  
approach your Posts to solicit donations for the Lima 3/5 Hospitality Room, *Every Little Bit Helps.***

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VIETNAM 1966-1971

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