

# Lima Co. 3/5 Reunion



VIETNAM 1968-1971

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## A CAPITAL EVENT REUNION 2008, WASHINGTON, DC



### ATTENDEES WITH RUNNING TOTALS (No. of Reunions Attended)

Rudy Abril (7), Don Anderson (5), Jim Andrulewicz (10), Terry Benton (9), Tom Bishop (2), Bob Bragoli (10), Bill Burger (4), JC Carleton (14), George Christo (8), Bill Clark (7), Greg Cloutier (10), Steve Cobb (17), Ed Conti (8), Jerry Drew (3), Paul Flayler (3), Dennis Freed (10), Dave Grady (9), Jim Haddaway (6), Leo Hand (6), Rich Hoffman (14), JP Hunt (8), Herb Johnson (10), Carl Kabitsch (4), Manny Lopez (2), Wally Loucks (20), Horace Martin (8), Joe McLaughlin (13), Bill Moffa (4), Lorenzo Mungaray (8), Dan Nordmann (10), Pat Normanly (15), Tom Pirnie (4), Joe Pollicino (15), Dennis Reen (3), Harry Revel (3), Al Ross (16), Ernie Senez (10), Kevin Shaughnessy (8), Frager Spates (11), Skip St. Clair (20), Jerry Stanfield (14), Dan Williams (4), Jerry Winters (14), and John Wold (10).

And introducing our FNGs: **Larry French, Randall Patterson, and Dee Thornhill.**

That makes 46 Grunts staged in DC.

Special thanks to all the Wives, Families and Friends for another Great Reunion.

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# MEMBERSHIP INFO

## NEW EDITOR-IN-CHIEF:



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**Please send all information for the newsletter to Dan (i.e.: articles, photos, address, phone, e-mail changes, etc.)**

**TAPS JOHN TIMONEY** LIMA '66 1ST SGT passed away in August of 2007. 1ST SGT Timoney retired in 1969 after more than 20 years of Marine Corps service.

## Shipping & Handling

Storing and shipping our Lima Archives has been a problem over the last several years. **Joe McLaughlin** has contacted the Marine Corps Archives about donating our Lima Archives to them. The Marine Corps definitely wants our albums because they don't have anything like what Lima Company has collected over these last 23 years. Joe is in the process of having one of our albums scanned and copied to CD. Once the rest of the albums have been scanned and copied to CDs, Joe will turn them over to the Marine Corps Archive. Next year when we meet in Charleston for our Reunion, the Marine Corps will send their people to sit down with us and try to caption as many of our photos as possible. Since we will have all of our albums on CD, we will still be able to go through all of our archival material at the Reunions. **Dennis Freed** suggested to Joe McLaughlin that maybe the Lima Company Reunion group buy a couple of lap top computers to use at our Reunions. Anyway, we'll make CDs available for our Lima group to take home too.

## In The Bank

General Fund .....	\$ 8,338.75
Operation Reachout ....	\$ 1,531.00
Joe McRaffle .....	\$ 683.00
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>\$10,552.75</b>



After leaving the DC Reunion early, I returned home and ended up having back surgery on August 18th. I'm starting to feel better, but have been uncomfortable to sit at the computer for very long. (That's my weak excuse for not getting to this newsletter sooner.) Have patience with me, because I have awful big shoes to fill. No one can do it better than Hank!

I'm still working to update the Company Roster. If you have any changes in address, phone number or e-mail, contact me. I'll organize the updated roster in Microsoft Excel and Microsoft Works and send a copy via e-mail to all with an e-mail address.

## Reunion 2009, Charleston, SC

**Wednesday, May 27th thru Sunday, May 31st, 2009**

### **Holiday Inn Patriots Point, SC**

250 Johnnie Dodds Blvd., Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464

**1-800-972-2513**

**\$129.00 per night**

*Rooms are available at this rate from May 25th thru June 1st, 2009*

**Hospitality Room:** May 27th thru May 31st

**Business Meeting:** Saturday, May 30th at 9 a.m.

**Banquet:** Saturday, May 30th at 6 p.m.

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW IN NEXT NEWSLETTER

## Who Was CPL David Earl Helm?

He was killed in Quang Nam Province on November 10, 1967. His tour of duty began on June 14, 1966. His official cause of death was listed as NON-HOSTILE, GROUND CASUALTY OTHER ACCIDENT.

His certificate of death in item 27 Cause of Death: 1. Disease or condition directly leading to death (a) Massive hemorrhage.

Antecedent Causes: (b) Wounds penetrating missile head, face, neck, both shoulders, both arms, chest, abdomen, right leg and back.

Time of death was 2130 hours. He had blue eyes, brown hair, fair complexion, his height was 5 foot 7 inches and his weight was 114 lbs.

CPL Helm was killed when he received multiple shrapnel wounds to his head, face, neck, both shoulders, both arms, chest, abdomen, right leg and back from FRIENDLY grenade while in a defensive position. Identification of remains were made by H. F. Todd Jr. & CPL R. W. George of CO L, 3RDBN, 5THMAR.

If anyone remembers what happened on November 10, 1967 at or about 2130 hours or knows the two Marines who identified CPL Helm or can shed some light on this Marine's death, I'm sure it would be a very good thing.

# REUNION 2008 RECAP

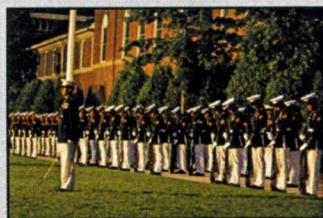
## MARINE CORP MUSEUM

Load up the Cattle Cars (Chartered Bus) and it's off to the new Marine Corps Museum. This place is just loaded with exhibits, both old and new. It's just a good thing that they didn't confiscate some of our Lima Reunion Members for their exhibits.



## EVENING PARADE

Friday night's Silent Drill Team performance was the Spit and Polish Ceremony that only the Marine Corps could provide. Ohh Rah, Get Some!



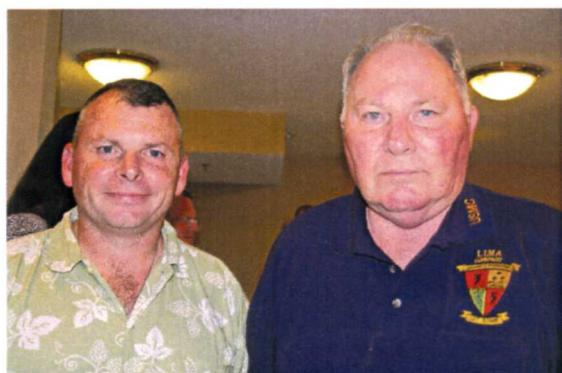
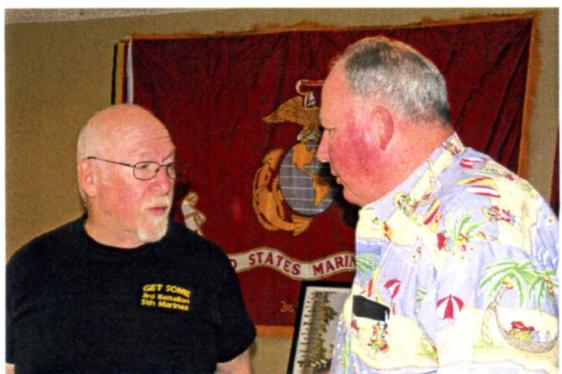
## PIG ROAST

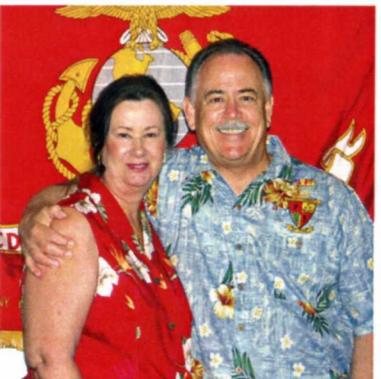
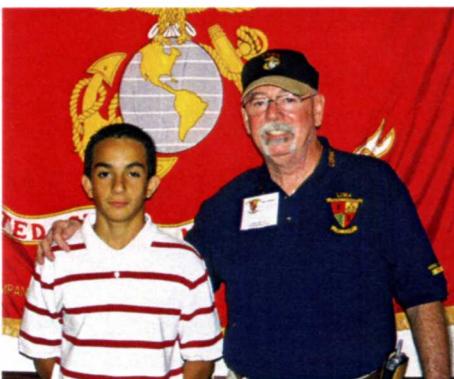
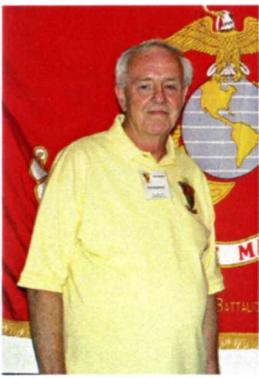
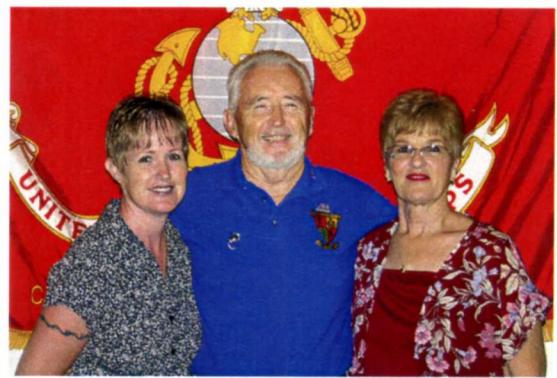
Pig Roast and Picnic proved to make the day a complete success. The pavilion was loaded with good food and drink. It was a great time to gather with Lima Family and Friends and just hang out to talk or play horse shoes and volleyball. Hoffman had on his Marine Corps football jersey, but couldn't find any players for a pick-up game.

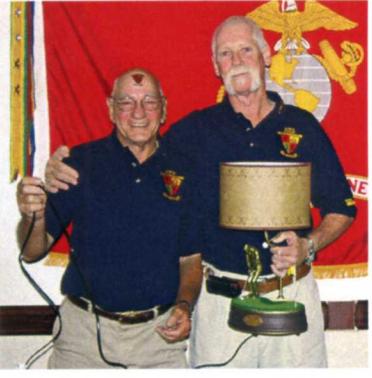
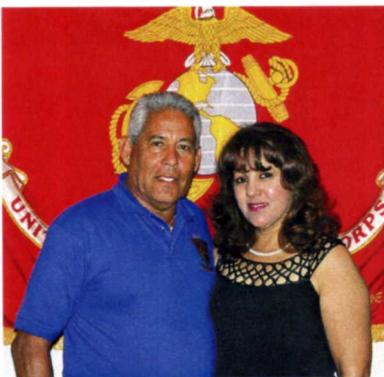
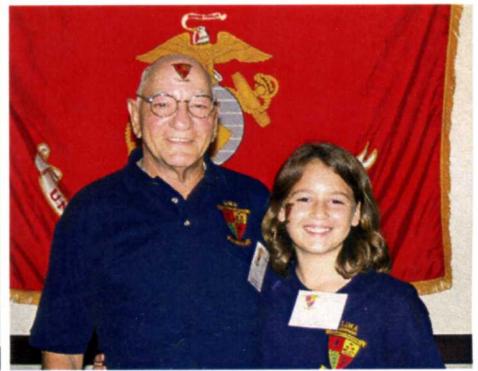


## SATURDAY EVENING BANQUET









# LIMA 3/5, VIETNAM 1967

Photos From Tom Hynes



Sergeant Presnall



Lee Gound



Second Platoon machine gunner



Second Platoon Squad on Patrol



Joe McLaughlin



3 Unidentified Marines



Rich Mueller, Lee Gound and Tom Hynes



Joe Pollicino and Tom Hynes on Highway One on our way to Chu Lai



Rich Mueller



Lorenzo Mungary and Tom Hynes



Wading stream, Operation Shelbyville



Corporal Tagami (sp?), Second Platoon, Second Squad Leader



Mungary, Sgt. Presnall and Hynes trying to figure out where the hell we were



Lorenzo Mungary, Tom Hynes and possibly Chaplain Vincent Cappodanno (Medal of Honor) shortly before Operation Swift



Second day, Operation Shelbyville



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