

VIETNAM

June 1966



**Da Nang AB
Vietnam
DEROS**

DEROS: Date Eligible for Return From Overseas

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23rd ABG/AP; 6252nd APS; 35th APS; 366th APS/SPS

APO for Đà Nẵng Air Base was APO San Francisco, 96337

Telling it like it was!



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1. Đà Nẵng AB, Deros: Deros-DAY! Boarded C-130 for flight to TSN and the Freedom Bird to LAX, Los Angeles, California. 1966.



2. Đà Nẵng AB, Deros: 1966.



3. Đà Nẵng AB, DEROS: 1966.



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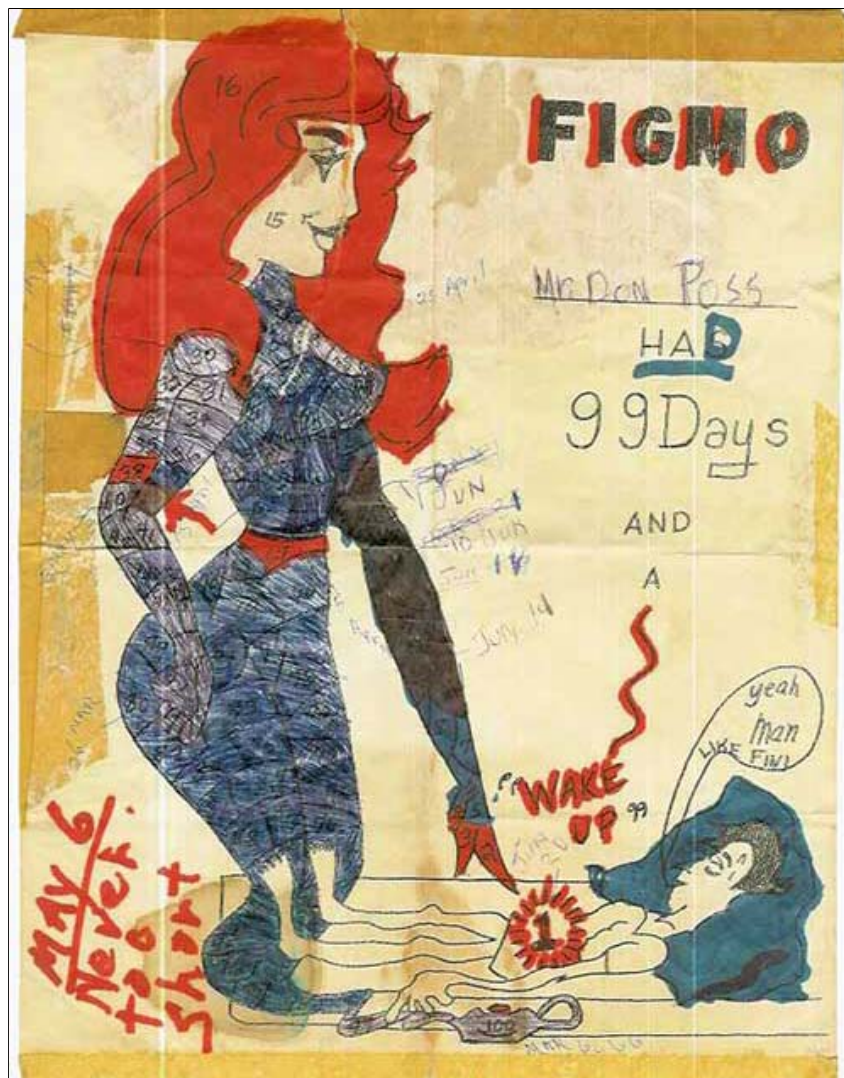
26. Đà Nẵng AB, DEROS: 1966.



27. Đà Nẵng AB, DEROS: 1966.



31. Đà Nẵng AB, DEROS: A2C George Hoagland took over handling Blackie when I DEROS'd.
I took this photo from a distance so as not to interfere with their bonding. 1966.



31. Đà Nẵng AB, DEROS: 1966.

Lessons Learned: I landed at LAX safely, of course. I was glad to be home but nothing was the same, and the country did not seem to understand that we were fighting a war and thousands had died. My old high school buddies seemed twelve years old. Nothing was as-it-was before, and should be, so I thought. *What the heck just happened to me!*

In 2008, I wrote out how I felt about "what the heck just happened to me" in Vietnam, and it is called [Airplane Hill](#). I think that if you served in Vietnam or Thailand you may have had a similar coming-home experience. I came to understand that some experiences in life can last a life time, and cannot nor should not be ignored. I hope that you will take a few minutes and read [Airplane Hill](#).

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