

Vietnam Security Police Association Membership Application

1. Please **PRINT** or **TYPE** clearly and carefully **Today's Date** _____

2. All information that you include will be shared with other VSPA members.

Name _____
Last First Middle Initial (Nickname or preferred name)

Address _____
Street (or P.O. Box) City State Zip Code

Best Phone # _____ **E-mail** _____
(With area code) Please print e-mail address very clearly!

Occupation _____ **Spouse's Name** _____
(Or retired)

Dates of USAF Service: from _____ **to** _____ **Highest Rank** _____
Month/Year Month/Year

1st Tour/TDY, Vietnam or Thailand: from _____ **to** _____ **Base** _____
Month/Year Month/Year

2nd Tour/TDY, Vietnam or Thailand: from _____ **to** _____ **Base** _____
Month/Year Month/Year

Specialty _____ **Awards** _____
K-9; Safeside; Heavy Weapons; LE; Augmentee, etc. Bronze or Silver Star; Purple Heart, etc.

If you were K-9 _____
Dog's Name Tattoo # Base Dates

Please use another piece of paper to list other tours, specialties, dogs, etc. if you need to.

Where did you learn about VSPA? (Mark one, if "other" please write-in)
 VSPA Website Publication Another SP Reunion Flyer _____

You **must** complete this application and mail it with a copy of your DD Form 214 (Certificate of Discharge) to the address below (see "Instructions" on page 2 of this application for more details). When you apply include a check or money order made out to **VSPA** for \$15 annual dues, or the Life Membership fee.

Life Membership fees vary with your age: Age 51-60, \$160 ~ 61-70, \$130 ~ 71-80, \$90 ~ 81 or over, \$55.

Questions? Can't find your DD-214? Contact VSPA Membership Chairman Paul Shave

E-Mail: paul_shave@hotmail.com **Phone:** 505-831-9401

Mail to: Paul Shave, 3540 Luke Cir, NW Albuquerque, NM 87107

Instructions for VSPA Membership Application

1. Your qualification for membership will be determined by information that is on your DD-214. This documentation is required because VSPA is an incorporated non-profit veterans association under IRS 501(c)(19) regulations and we must be able to withstand an audit of our members' veteran status.
2. Please cut off or black out your Social Security number before sending us a copy of your DD-214. We do not use it in identifying you or determining your eligibility for membership.
3. If any of the information we need is not on your DD-214, we'll help you get it somewhere else.
4. To qualify for VSPA membership we need to document that you served in the U.S. Air Force Air Police or Security Police, or as an Air Force AP or SP Augmentee, in either Vietnam or Thailand, between July 1, 1958, and May 15, 1975, and that your discharge was "Honorable" or "Under Honorable Conditions."
 - a. Service in the U.S. Air Force is shown in the DD-214 block "Department, Component and Branch."
 - b. Service in Air Police or Security Police can be shown in "Specialty Number & Title," which will be your duty AFSC, or sometimes as a secondary AFSC. There are many such AFSC codes, but we have a complete list of those that fall under Air Police and Security Police.
 - c. If you worked as an Augmentee in Vietnam or Thailand there will likely be nothing on your DD-214 to substantiate this fact, but we would love for you to join VSPA. We know that you served shoulder-to-shoulder to us in the war, and you're welcomed as a Brother now. Please contact our Membership Chairman Paul Shave for assistance in finding some documentation that we'll be able to accept along with your DD-214 to prove your eligibility for membership.
 - d. Service in Vietnam or Thailand might be shown in a number of areas. There are several different formats of DD-214s; some have a notation "Vietnam-Yes," or "Indochina-Yes." Some might show one of the decorations awarded for Vietnam and Thailand service such as the Vietnam Service Medal (VSM), Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal (RVCM), or Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross (RVNGC). There may be other decorations or notations on your DD-214 that can be used to document that you qualify for membership, so if you don't see one of those mentioned above don't give up. Please send your application and DD-214 to VSPA Membership Chairman Paul Shave for help in determining if it shows us what we need. If it doesn't, Paul may be able to help you find other documentation that will help.
 - e. The type of discharge is shown in "Character of Service."
 - f. If because of reenlistment or other reason you have more than one DD-214, and all the information we need isn't on any one of them, we are happy to accept several to provide the necessary documentation of your service. We will do all we can to help you document your qualification.
5. If you are not sure about any aspect of your documentation, contact Membership Chairman Paul Shave for assistance.

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