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CHRISTMAS IN VIETNAM



★ There you were, in a foreign land on Christmas..... ★

Alone, cold, lonely.....and yet it was required that you stay alert, for the enemy was always there, somewhere.

Be assured that your loved ones thought of you on that Christmas Eve, just as you no doubt, thought of them.

They would have rejoiced in your presence if only you could have come home to them. But you had your duty, and you did your duty, despite the hardships.

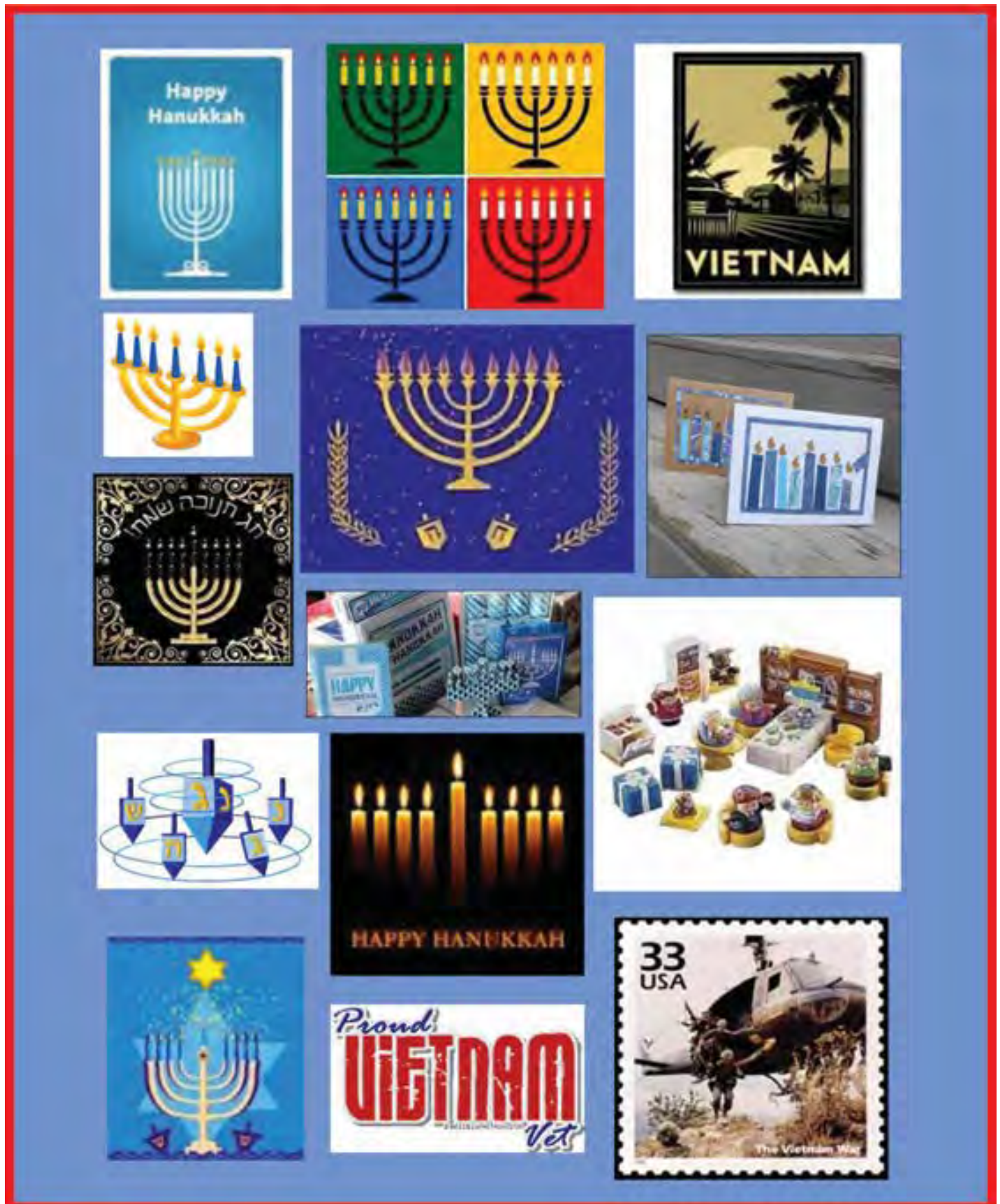
Years have passed, and you are no longer huddled in a rice paddy or standing guard in a tower. Yet, sometimes in the stillness of the night, memories flood your mind. May God bless you for your loyalty and dedication and your willingness to suffer so we might continue to have our freedoms. To this day, I honor you and respect you for your service.

May this Christmas hold peace and joy for you, and the knowledge that you served honorably. You are my true brother and you have touched my life.



My best,
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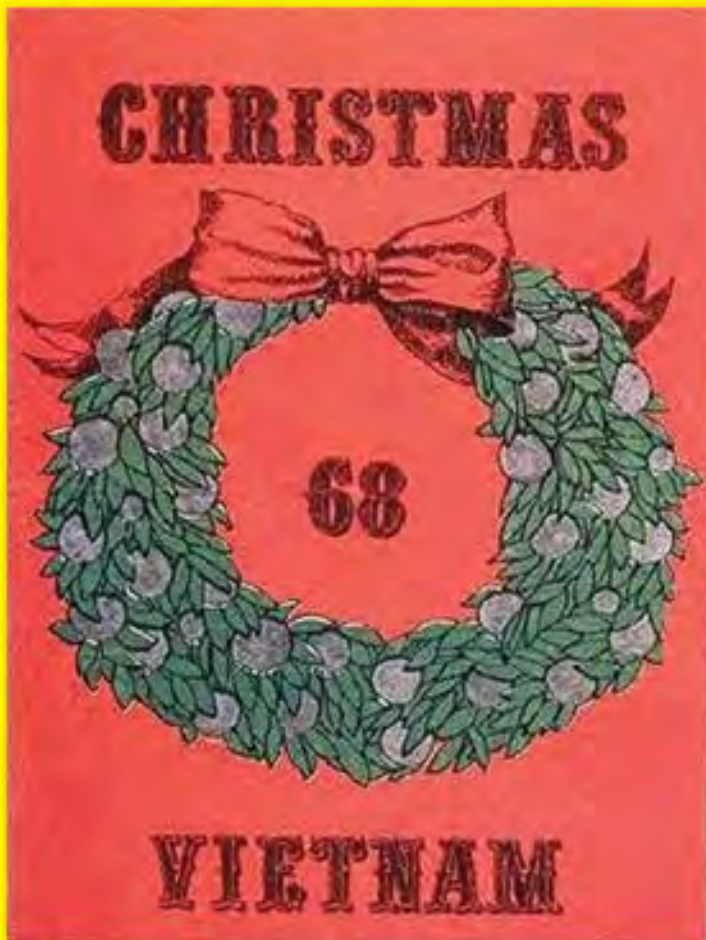




1969 - Bien Hoa - 3rd SPS Sgt Robert "Gary" Whisnant - Charlie Area Twinkle III Mortar Site Christmas Tree







A CHRISTMAS PRAYER

Almighty God, We praise Thee that Thou mysteriously wastest to touch with light and to fill with love the hearts of those who wait before Thee. We praise Thee that Thou hast made this day glad and this night bright with the memory of the birth of One who revealed the might and gentleness of Thy Spirit. We praise Thee that, in the fullness of time and in Thine own way, Thou didst cause One to walk the dusty roadways of this world who was, indeed, the Son of Thy Spirit and the shadowing forth in flesh of Thy tender love. Accept our gratitude, offered in joy, for this most wondrous showing forth of Thy love. Grant, on this day when we rejoice in the nativity of Jesus Christ, that, like His, our heart may be made humble; that, like His, our life may be so ordered before Thee that it shall show forth Thy praise. We bless Thee. We glorify Thee. We give Thee thanks that heaven and earth are so full of Thy glory. Amen.

A BLESSED CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

Silent Night

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Christmas has a special meaning for American soldiers in Vietnam. Amid the tragedy and ugliness of war, the season reminds us of the joy and beauty of peace. I whose people struggle for a better life, the message brings cheer and hope for the future.

To serve in this distant land may be justly proud. Christmas is expressed each day in your ward our gallant allies and in your sacrifices for your cause.

My most personal wishes to each of you and to your families in this Christmas Day.

W. C. WESTMORELAND
 General, United States Army
 Commanding

Christmas Day Dinner
VIETNAM 1966

Shrimp Cocktail
with Cocktail Sauce and Crackers

Roast Turkey	Giblet Gravy
Cranberry Dressing	
Snow Flaked Potatoes	
Glazed Sweet Potatoes	Cranberry Sauce
Buttered Garden Peas	
Crisp Relish Tray	
Parkhouse Rolls	Butter
Pumpkin Pie with Whipped Cream	
Minced Meat Pie	Old Fashion Fruit Cakes
Fresh Chilled Fruit	
Mixed Nuts	
Assorted Candy	
Tea	Coffee Milk

Christmas Day

VIETNAM 1965

3D MARINE DIVISION

CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER

SHRIMP COCKTAIL - JULIENNE SOUP

SALAD

ROAST TURKEY - VIRGINIA BAKED HAM

CRANBERRY SAUCE - PINEAPPLE SAUCE

SNOWFLAKE POTATOES - GLAZED SWEET POTATOES

BUTTERED WHOLE KERNEL CORN - BUTTERED BROCCOLI (FF)

CORN MEAT DRESSING - GIBLET GRAVY

SPRING GARDEN SALAD - RUSSIAN DRESSING

CHRISTMAS RELISH TRAY

MINCED MEAT PIE - PUMPKIN PIE W/WHIPPED CREAM

FRUIT CAKE - ICE CREAM

COFFEE - ICED BUTTER

BREAD/BUTTER - CANDY & NUTS

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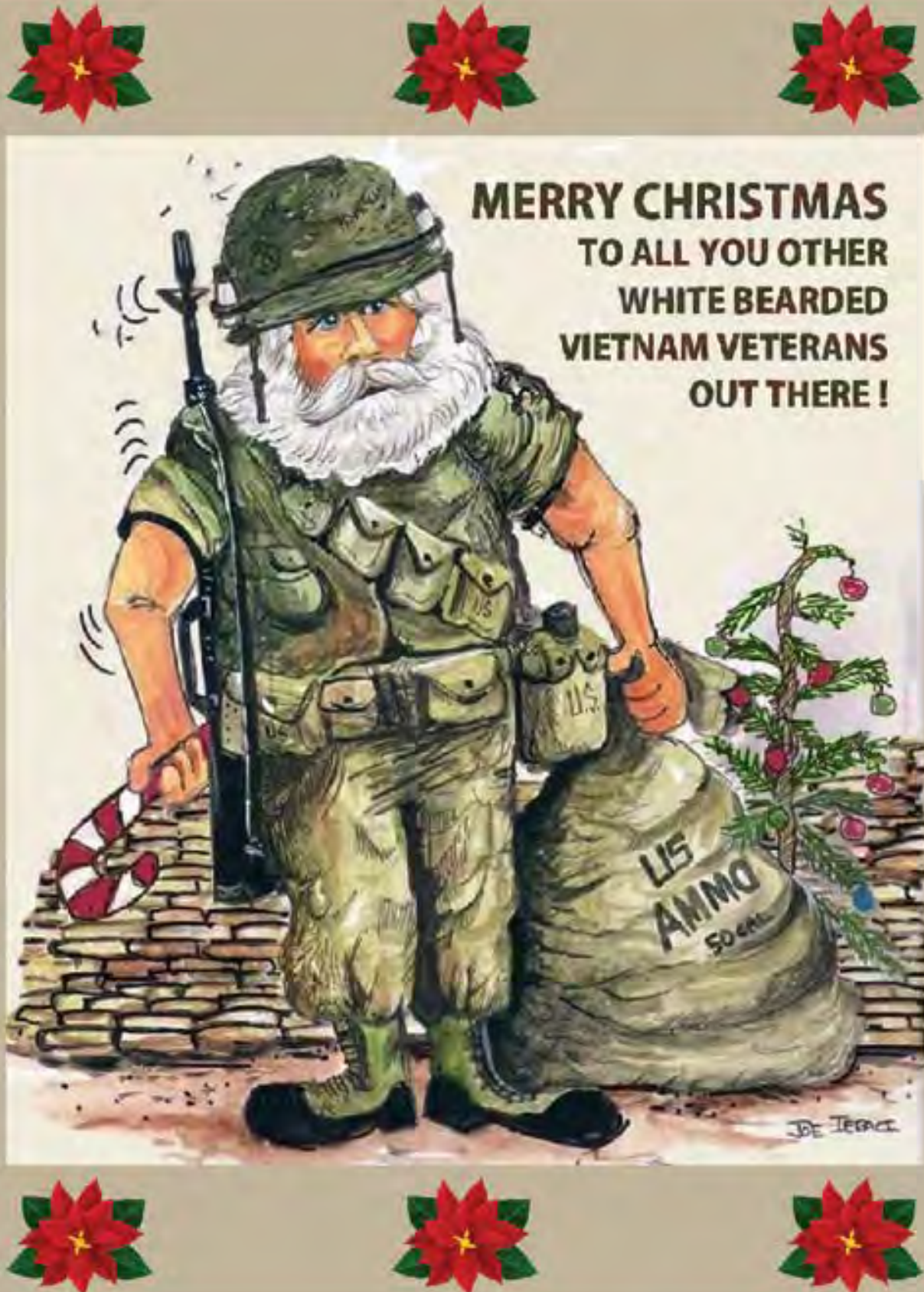
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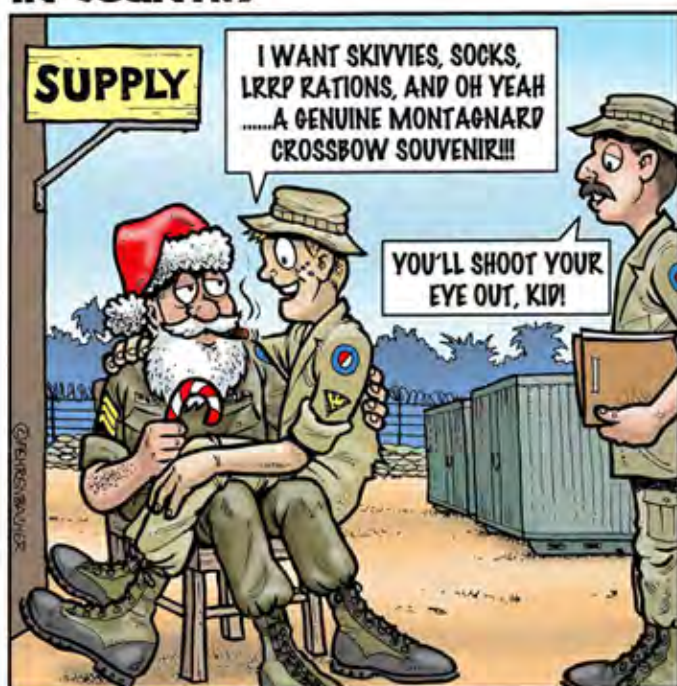


Ann Margret - Freedom Hill - 1967

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MERRY CHRISTMAS VSPA

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A VIETNAMESE CHRISTMAS STORY!

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THE 24-HOUR CHRISTMAS CEASE-FIRE.

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