

ANGRY SKIPPER SEARCH

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Gentlemen:

My name is Edward P. Regan, and I served in Vietnam with Second Platoon (Rifle-Range), Delta Company (Angry Skipper), Second Battalion (Stoney Mountain), Eighth Cavalry Regiment (Honor and Courage), First Air Cavalry Division (First Team) between 1 May 68 and 12 Apr 69.

As a hobby, I mail out a newsletter from time to time listing reunions, miscellaneous information, and a current roster of men who served in D 2/8 between 1965 and 1971 who are listed with their current addresses. As of today, the roster numbers 131, including 4 Company Commanders (Grannemann, Garner, Colavita, Livingston).

This past Monday, I received my copy of the 1991 membership directory of the First Cavalry Division Association and went through it picking out the names who listed their unit as D 2/8, who are not listed on my roster. I also found some names that were not listed with D Co., but I recognized them. I found 54 names.

Essentially, I am looking for Vietnam Veterans to add to my mailing list, but since many of you were not listed with your year that you served, I am sending my questionnaire to all 54 and hope that you respond. If you served before or after Vietnam, I will still put together a roster of those names and mail it out, and hopefully put you in touch with somebody from your year. Those Vietnam Veterans who respond will be added to my regular mailing list.

I realize that I have met many of you at various reunions, but I break down my roster by Platoon, and I need to know yours. Your current rank, retired rank, and/or nickname would be helpful also. I am also aware of the fact that until the A Shau Valley Campaign in 1968, D Co. had a fourth Platoon, the weapons/recon unit. Could somebody tell me if it was known as "Fourth" Platoon, what its call sign was, or anything else you can think of?

I am also interested in learning of others from D 2/8 whom you may know of. Copies of orders with service and/or social security numbers would also be helpful. Last November, I compiled a list of 200 names and numbers and submitted the list to the V.A. for forwarding. They had addresses for 120 and so far, there have been 22 responses via the similar questionnaire/return envelope package which I have enclosed in your letter.

In summary, I hope that you respond to my search by filling out the questionnaire and mailing it back to me in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope. I send out my newsletter for the purpose of reuniting buddies (I'm still looking for some of mine), announcing reunions, and encouraging dialogue, which hopefully, will lay to rest troubling events in our tours, and help us achieve a peace of mind to: **REMEMBER THE BAD TIMES ONCE ; REMEMBER THE GOOD TIMES FOREVER.**

Honor and Courage,
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