



CONOVER-LEARY  
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS, POST 406  
NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

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My fellow Post 406 Comrades-

The 29th of March has been designated as National Vietnam War Veterans Day.

On March 23, 1973, the majority of U.S. Combat Troops departed Vietnam. We realize that many never returned home, and for many, the return home was the beginning of an honorific and disturbing chapter in our nation's history.

Service to one's country is a privilege. Young men and women answered the call to serve in Vietnam, regardless of ideology, or risk to self. It is their example, of the love of country and most poignantly, as we combat veterans understand so well, the love for your buddy next to you, that sustains our exemplary fighting forces.

I respectfully ask that each of you take a moment today and reflect upon the service and sacrifices that our brothers and sisters in arms endured during the Vietnam War. We are blessed to have many Vietnam Veterans in our post and for this, we must remain grateful.

May God continue to bless our Vietnam Veterans, Post 406, and America.

I remain,

Your Most Obedient Servant,

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