

VETERANS OF VIETNAM WAR

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"People Who Care"
20th ANNIVERSARY YEAR, Oct. 1985
to Oct. 2005

Middletown, Connecticut

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Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. @ the Legion Hall in Middletown. (Bernie O'Rourke Drive, off RT 66.)

It's almost Christmas 2004. Get your shopping done early!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
December MEETING

This Months Meeting is on Pearl Harbor DAY, **Tuesday, Dec. 7, 2004 at 7:00 P.M.** at the American Legion. Election of officers for 2005 is on the agenda. The slate for the anniversary year is:
Commander-Joseph Labbadia
Vice Comm.- Paul Fazzino
Secretary - Rich Couture
Treasurer - Jack Mayoros

3 yr trustee Frank Martini
2 yr trustee Marty Reardon
1 yr trustee Dean Buden

Sgt at Arms Luke Mailhot
Chaplain Marty Reardon
Also on agenda; Holiday Food Baskets and the Holiday Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army..

Luke, Feel the FORCE and JOIN us in Middletown
Members and potential members welcome.

Veterans Day Ceremonies
The ceremonies were well

attended and the newspaper coverage was very good. The weather was pretty good for a November day. The rain held out for a change. Thank you to everyone that participated.

The chapter had hoped to have the names of the two KIA from Middletown (other page) inscribed onto the back of the Vietnam Veterans panel on the green but a death in the family of the operator from Fox & Becker prevented it from happening before the holiday. Jack Sterry (President of F & B) has assured us that it will be done and that it is an honor to do so. Our thanks to member, Tom Goglia for getting this long overdue project moving in a positive direction. Good work Tom.

NEEDED SOON:
For the Good of the Chapter:

2005 marks the 20th anniversary of the chapter. Does anyone have a suggestion on a location for a party? The committee is working hard but needs help in planning for the October 2005 celebration. More info

in future newsletters and/or come to a meeting and share your ideas, help us to plan the celebration.

V V W WEBSITE INFO:

The Veterans of the Vietnam War, Middletown Inc. have a computer WEBSITE:

www.vietnamvetstmiddletownct.org Please take a few minutes of your time to "ADD IT TO YOUR FAVORITES", become familiar with its content and related links.

We need your E-mail address: the chapter would like all members who have a computer email address to forward it to the Chapter at **WEBMASTER @vietnamvetstmiddletownct.org**

So far, we have only 32 Email addresses out of 108 members. Are we in the computer age or what! Please sign up with any of the officers or the Webmaster.

To do:
2005 Dues Reminder

Dues are payable at the beginning of the year. \$12.00 per year or \$100.00 for life membership.

2005!
**9th Annual Golf
Tournament , June 2nd**

NEW MEMBERS Welcomed

If you know anyone who would like to join the chapter, bring them to a meeting or let us know and the Secretary will send an application. Membership is open to any Vietnam-era vet. \$15.00 initially, includes first year's dues and then just \$12.00 per year.

**January 2005 meeting will
be on Tuesday 1/04/2005.
7:00 p.m.**

Agenda Items:
20th ANNIVERSARY PARTY
PLANNING, November 2005
D.C. trip to 'THE WALL'

**Send E-Mail
Greetings**

Send e-mail greeting
through
[http://anysevicememb
er.navy.mil](http://anysevicemember.navy.mil)

**Chapter Christmas Party
Friday Dec 17th**

Legion Hall, Members and
guests, Dinner, Music, BYOB
See flyer attached.

***Bring some canned goods
and Pantry items to help fill
the Holiday Food Baskets**

We'll be bringing the
donations to the Hartford Vet
Center in Wethersfield.
BE GENEROUS!

Perhaps one day all people, in accord, will finally learn that to know peace, one must first love peace;
and to love peace, one must first love. Eli Takesian

**MIDDLETOWN VIETNAM VETS
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY**

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17TH
AMERICAN LEGION HALL
Bernie O'Rourke Drive
Middletown

Cocktails 6 PM Buffet Dinner served at 7 PM

Dancing to the music of DJ, *Kyle Newton*

Members and their guests are welcome

RSVP by December 10th

For reservation call Joe @ 344-3287 or Jack @ 347-8843

BYOB Set-Ups Provided Donation \$10.00 per person.

If you can bring a prize to be raffled off at the party, it would be greatly appreciated.

**Unable to attend but want to donate a raffle prize? Call Joe for pick up.

Silent Time

Each day, pencil in a couple of minutes on your planner for complete silence. Turn off your phone, don't check your e-mail, and don't talk to anyone. Noise zaps your positive energy; it increases heart rate and the level of cortisol (the stress hormone), interrupts thoughts, and rattles nerves. Silence is a time-out; it calms you down. You can have silent time while working, gardening, or taking a walk. Just make sure you schedule it. You can't sneak the time in, or you're sure to be interrupted.

Judith Orloff, M.D. Psychiatrist

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2004 Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army SIGN-UP SHEETS
@ SUPER STOP & SHOP 416 East Main Street Middletown CT

Saturday December 18, 2004

We're looking for singles or teams to sign up to man the Salvation Army Pail and to ring the bell for those less fortunate (9a.m. to 4 p.m.)

Salvation Army = Captain Faith Miller 860-347-7493

cell 845-659-6414

TIME PRINT NAME Phone #

9:00 am to 9:59	_____ / _____	_____
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10:00 a.m. to 10:59	_____ / _____	_____
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11:00 a.m. to 11:59	_____ / _____	_____
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1:00 p.m. to 1:59	_____ / _____	_____
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2:00 p.m. to 2:59	_____ / _____	_____
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3:00 p.m. to 3:59	_____ / _____	_____
	_____ / _____	_____

Sign up by calling **Frank** 860-391-4454, **Jack** at 860-347-8843 or **Paul** 860-344-9654

THOMAS WILLIAM SHAY

SP4 - E4 - Army - Regular
1st CAVALRY Division (AIRMOBILE)
20 year old Single, Caucasian, Male
Born on Jan 29, 1946
From MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT
Length of service 3 years.

LEROY FRAZIER

PFC - E3 - Army - Selective Service
1st Infantry Division
20 year old Married, Negro, Male
Born on Dec 31, 1945
From MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT

THOMAS W. SHAY

His tour of duty began on Jan 10, 1966
Casualty was on Jun 15, 1966
SOUTH VIETNAM
HOSTILE, GROUND CASUALTY
GUN, SMALL ARMS FIRE
Body was recovered
Religion: ROMAN CATHOLIC
Panel 08E - - Line 49

LEROY FRAZIER

His tour of duty began on Jun 15, 1966
Casualty was on Oct 01, 1966
SOUTH VIETNAM
HOSTILE, GROUND CASUALTY
OTHER EXPLOSIVE DEVICE
Body was recovered
Religion: BAPTIST
Panel 11E - - Line 33

Coincidence: Leroy Frazier began his tour on the day of Thomas William Shay date of casualty!

To be inscribed on the Vietnam Veterans Monument: with Frosted Outline Letters

"YOU ARE NOT FORGOTTEN"

SP4 THOMAS W. SHAY, U.S. ARMY, June 15, 1966

PFC LEROY FRAZIER, U.S. ARMY, October 01, 1966

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