2019 Veterans Day Gathering in DC

5/7 Cavalry Association
Holiday Inn National Airport
Welcome to the
5/7 Cavalry Association
Hospitality Room
Cliff Wheeler
Master of Ceremonies
Dear Mr. Laurich,

December 16, 2019

I really appreciate that you wrote me a letter and gave me the picture and sticker. It means a lot to receive a letter from someone like you — a Vietnam War Veteran, still going strong, honorable, and most of all, CARING AND PATRIOTIC!!!

Thank you for all you have done for our country. You fought in Vietnam to protect our country and I REALLY respect that. Anyone who goes into danger to serve others deserves the most honor I can think of. And you didn’t just protect our country, you helped change the course of history!

I carefully read what you sent, and you inspired me to do some additional research. You served in the 7th Cav, fighting a difficult enemy in terrible terrain. That must have taken A LOT of guts! I learned that the nickname of your unit was “Garry Owens” and it has a long history going back to the Indian Wars, and that 7 Soldiers earned the Medal of Honor during the Vietnam War — WOW!

As you requested, I am including a picture of me wearing your hat. I look pretty handsome, right? Thanks! Ha ha!

You and your buddies deserve respect from the youngest generations, like mine (Generation Z). I want to thank you for your sacrifices and your push for the freedom and safety of our country.

See you next year in love, joy, and remembrance. Have a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year -

Sincerely,
Matthew Tingstrom
Wreath Presenters

Jerry Houston
And
Walt Zimmerman