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**To:** "Dick Detra" <[REDACTED]>

**Subject:** Photo Request

**Date:** Tue, 17 Oct 2000 03:38:03 -0700

Hey There Dick:

I caught your note in the Veteran Locator requesting photos of NVA and VC. Question? Are you looking for photos of NVA and VC that are alive and well? I have photos of some that are rather dead if you are interested. The photos are vintage 1968 and are of enemy KIA's resulting from battles in the vicinity of LZ Sally and FSB Sandy. The kills were made by members of E Co.-Recon, 1st/501st, 101st Abn. Div. One in particular you might be interested in is a VC that I, myself, killed with a single shot through the heart at about 400 meters while on the skid at 40 or 50 feet above ground in one of your Huey Slicks (Black Widow's). Due to my marksmanship ability whenever a ville was cordoned off I was generally detailed to a specifically designated slick which circled the area and eliminated any enemy that tried to escape. Some of the guys I've recently re-united with after 32 years still mention that shot and talk about it like it was some kind of "Ripley's Believe It Or Not" phenomenon (they even horn in on the photos). You know, I believe I even have some photos of either some of your slicks or the Lancers or both making an extraction of one of the line companies after a battle in the foothills nwly of LZ Sally. I can't quite make out the emblems on the tail booms but one of them I know is a Lancer because it has that big yellow "Lancer" kind of symbol painted on the nose and has "Lady Luck" in yellow letters on the pilot's door. Also have a couple of in-flight photos. One of them is of the cockpit shot from where we normally were and mostly of the "peter-pilot". Anyhoo, let me know if you're interested in any of these. I have the software and hardware capability to scan, enlarge, restore, clean up, annotate, add text, add borders, etc., etc., etc..... and transmit via E-mail or Fax or make a photo quality 8 1/2 X 11 glossy color print and snail mail it if you wish. Ju-u-u-st let me know, okay?

Se-e-e Ya-a-a! GERONIMO!

Sincerely,

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