



May 4, 1993

Mrs. Ruth Fitzgerald

Fredericksburg, VA 22401

Dear Mrs. Fitzgerald,

I read with great sympathy your letter concerning placing the name of your brother John on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

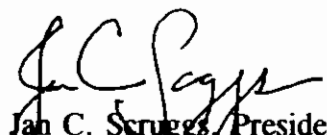
The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund receives numerous requests each year from individuals who desire to have particular names placed on the Memorial. The Department of Defense makes these difficult and often very technical decisions. Our organization does not have - nor do we desire - the authority to overrule those who adjudicate these matters at the Department of Defense. The policy is that only those men who died of a casualty suffered in Vietnam be listed upon the Memorial.

If you would formally like to contact the section of the Air Force that presides over these matters, they may be reached at:

**Executive Office for Inquiries
Headquarters Air Force Manpower
and Personnel Center
Randolph AFB, TX 71850
Ph: (800) 531-5501
Fax: (512) 652-3805**

I wish I could do more for you and your brother's family in your time of grief. Please believe me when I say that the Memorial stands to honor all those who served in Vietnam, not just those whose names it bears.

Sincerely,


Jan C. Scruggs, President
Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund

P.S. I have returned the photos you sent. They are very moving and belong with someone close to your family. Thank you for sharing them with me.

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