

August 22, 1995

Ken Montanye

Butler NJ 07405-1608

Dear Ruth:

I am writing to you in regards to your recent letter to me dated August 11th.

I fully agree with you that some type of plaque should be near the WALL in memory of those who have died of Vietnam related problems.

My Uncle, Allen Bruce Davenport served in Vietnam from August 1968 until August 1969. He was stationed in Saigon and worked in the MACV headquarters. He survived the Tet invasion of Saigon only to come home with many problems and to die of cancer at the age of 38. He was never sick in his life and he has eleven other brothers and sisters who are now in there 70's.

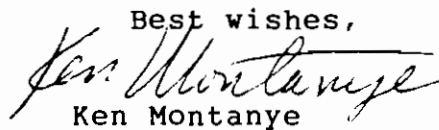
From what he had told me, a lot had gone on in Vietnam, and most of what was told was cleaned up for the viewing public. We will never know the fate of those still missing, the records were changed and other events occurred as well.

Right here in Butler, the local VFW finally erected a memorial in honor of those who were killed in Korea and Vietnam, they also talked about listing all of the names of those who served in both of these wars. There is a plaque for all members who served in WWII.

I would like to make a trip to see for myself the location of where my Uncle served. I only have a few photos and a 8mm movie showing him in Vietnam.

More should be done to tell the world of the HELL our troops went through in Vietnam.

Like I mentioned before, I do support your efforts to honor those who served and eventually died from Vietnam related causes.

Best wishes,

Ken Montanye