

Heading Home

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, 97TH MILITARY POLICE BATTALION
APO San Francisco 96312

SPECIAL ORDERS

NUMBER 59

EXTRACT

3 March 1972

12 TC 202. Following reassignment directed. Individual will proceed on
PERMANENT CHANGE OF STATION as indicated below.

SMITH, GARY S.

SP4 95B20P5 981st MP Co (SD) (WGZDA) APO 96312

ADMINISTRATIVE ACCOUNTING DATA

Auth: DA Ltr EPARD-0 27 Feb 72

Alloc: NA

OPO C&L No: FFW 0522

Lv Adres: 9618 N. Carrollton Ave, Indianapolis IN 46280

Mo OS (curr tour)10 (nt: 12)

FUS MDC: 50E2

PC Cnt No: NA

CIC: 221A03

Ult Assgn: NA

DDUS: 27 Jun 71

DEROS: 29 Mar 72

FOR THE INDIVIDUAL

Assigned to: 259th MP Co White Sands N.M. 88002

Rept date: 4 May 72

Lv date: 30 DDALV

Availability date: 25 Mar 72

Port Call Data: Report to 90th Repl Bn Long Binh MST 4 days & MLT 3 days prior to DER

Special Instructions: (a) Comply wit. the following numbered items of DA Supplemental
Instructions (Appendix B, AR 310-10) 1,2,31,32,35,39,50,58,62,64.
(b) Weapon will not be transported incident to travel.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

OFFICIAL:

DANIEL T. WHITEMAN
CPT, MPC
Adjutant

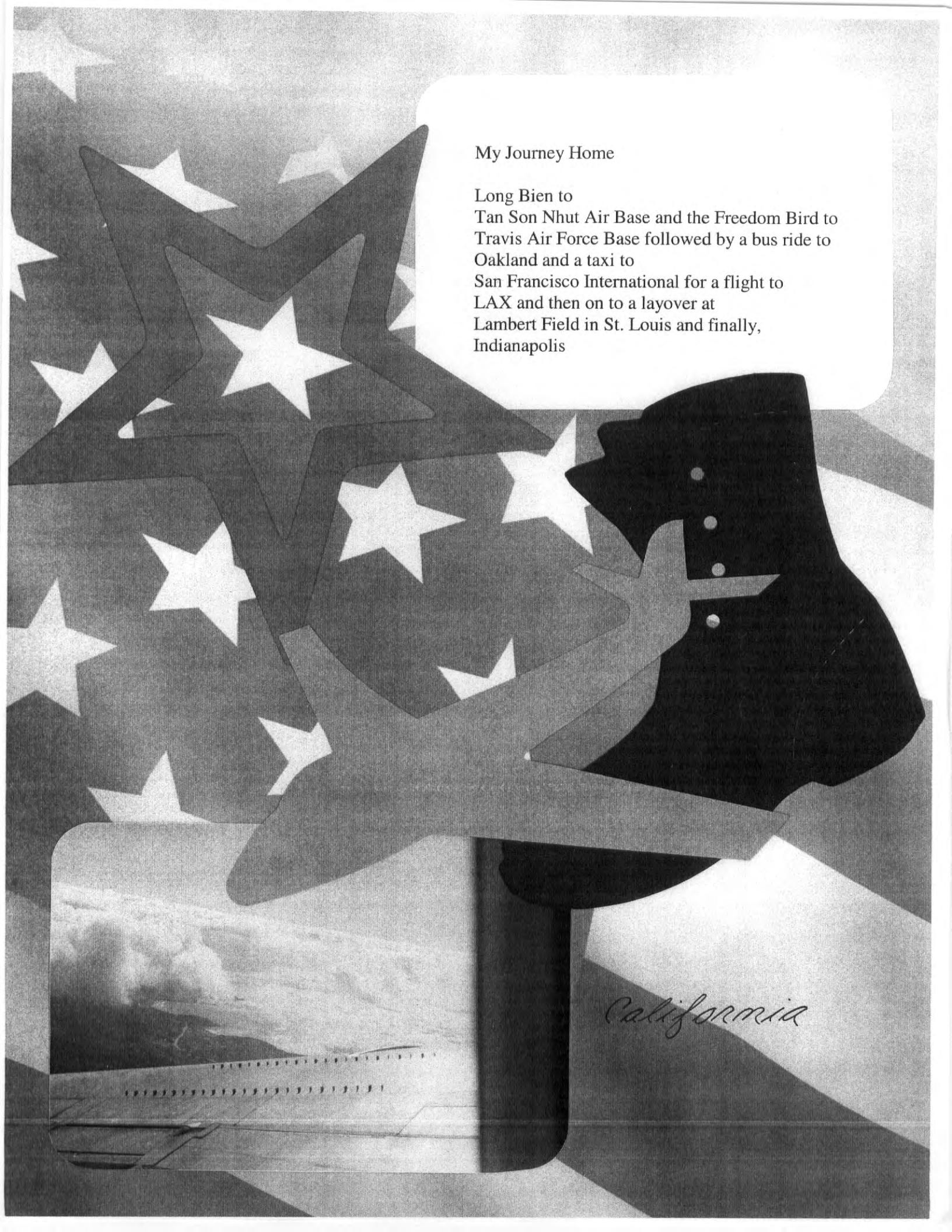
J. G. SIMS

CPT, USA

Adjutant

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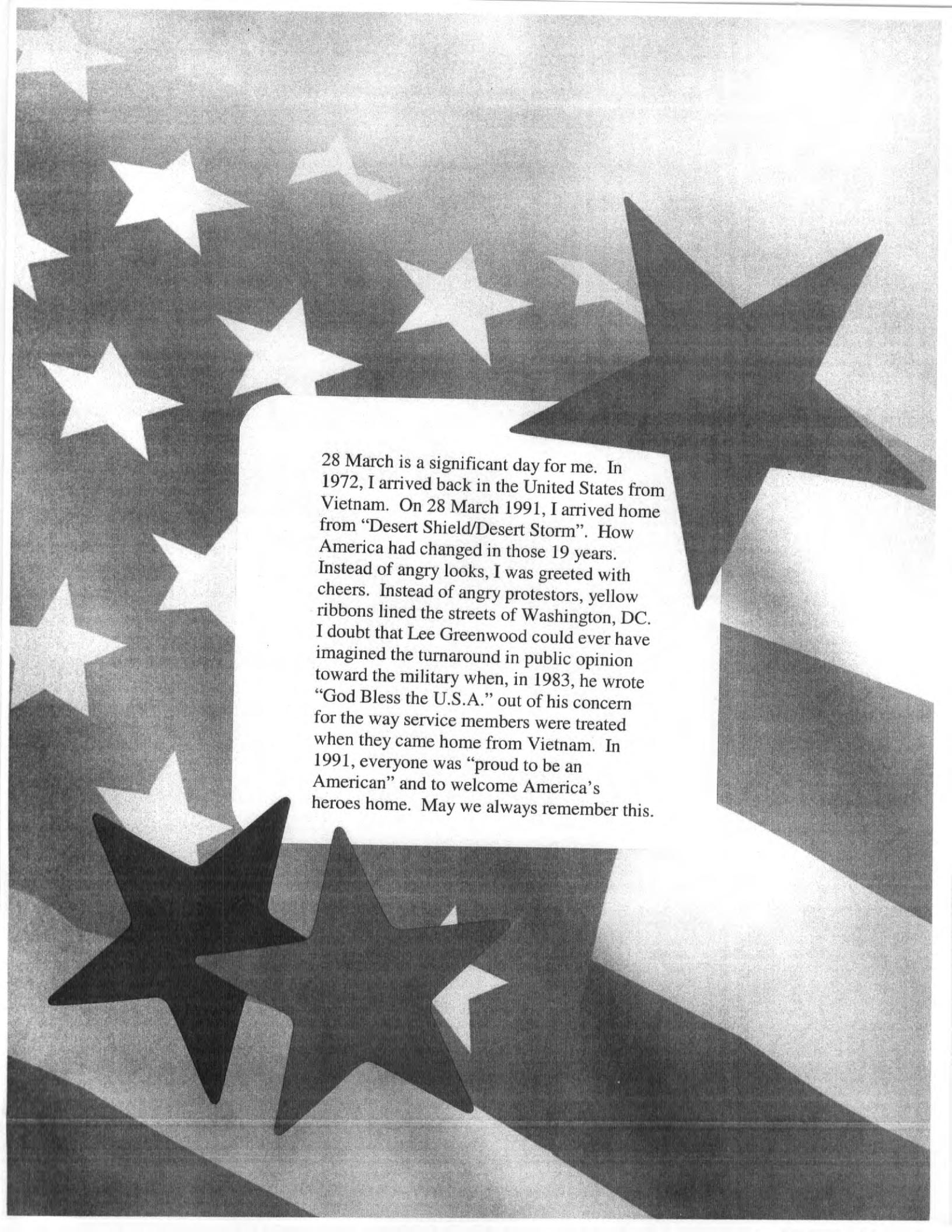
1-Indiv; 3-FDRF; 4-201; 1-M/R CLERK; 2-Rec/Ref; 3-CO 981st MP Co (SD)
3-CO 259th MP Co White Sands, M.M. 88002.



My Journey Home

Long Bien to
Tan Son Nhut Air Base and the Freedom Bird to
Travis Air Force Base followed by a bus ride to
Oakland and a taxi to
San Francisco International for a flight to
LAX and then on to a layover at
Lambert Field in St. Louis and finally,
Indianapolis

California



28 March is a significant day for me. In 1972, I arrived back in the United States from Vietnam. On 28 March 1991, I arrived home from "Desert Shield/Desert Storm". How America had changed in those 19 years. Instead of angry looks, I was greeted with cheers. Instead of angry protestors, yellow ribbons lined the streets of Washington, DC. I doubt that Lee Greenwood could ever have imagined the turnaround in public opinion toward the military when, in 1983, he wrote "God Bless the U.S.A." out of his concern for the way service members were treated when they came home from Vietnam. In 1991, everyone was "proud to be an American" and to welcome America's heroes home. May we always remember this.

March 1992
California



LA



LAX



LAX

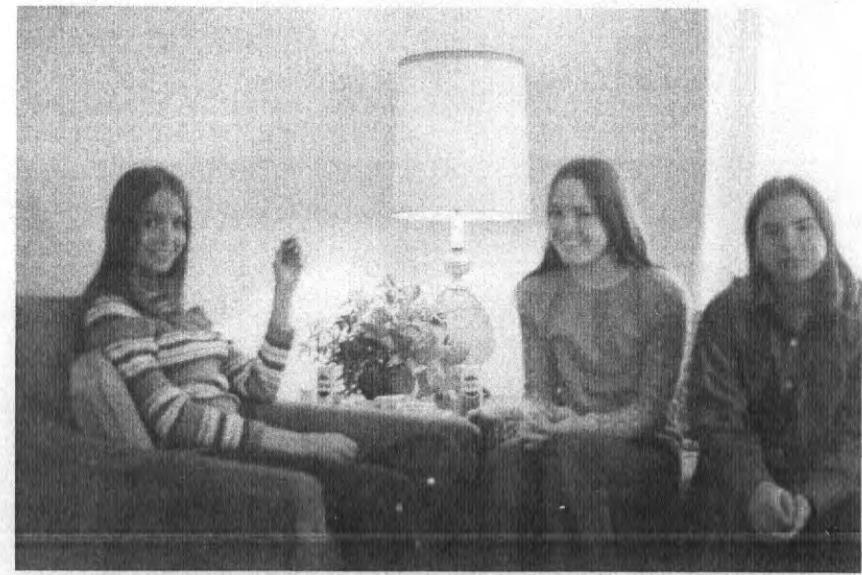


My family
left to
right-
Nephew-
Doug Myers
Sister-
Bonnie
Myers
Niece-



Terrie Myers
im back
Niece-
Janet Myers
Brother-
David Myers

My nieces-
Terrie,
Sharon &
Janet
Myers



Cynical-
Terri
Myers

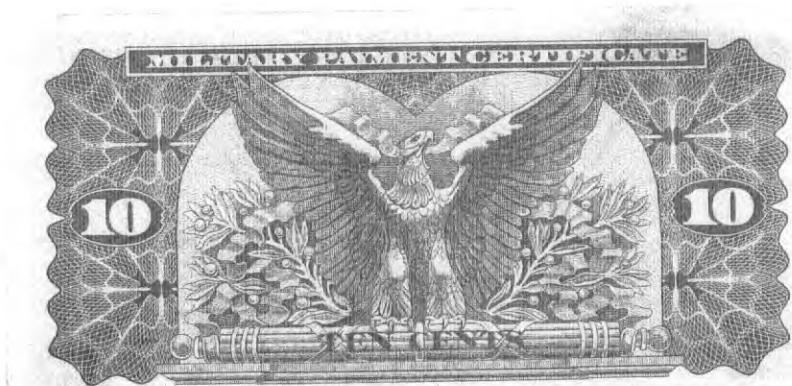


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Here I am at White Sands. Up until now, I was convinced I hated the Army but stay in when I was promised Fort Knox and more traditional MP duties. Good experience for becoming a civilian police officer. At some point in time, I changed my mind about the Army and kept re-enlisting for three more years until I had accumulated 24 years. I did two tours in Germany, two tours in Korea and three more combat tours: "Just Cause" in Panama, "Desert Shield/Desert Storm" in Saudi and "Restore Hope" in Somalia. Through it all, I always wore the 18th MP Brigade patch on my right sleeve. "Of the Troops, For the Troops", even the four-legged ones. Here's to you Rolf.

And the Journey goes on...



South Vietnamese Currency



NGÂN HÀNG QUỐC GIA VIỆT NAM

500

Q5 882906

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500

TỔNG KIỂM SOÁT

L. Dinh

THỐNG ĐỘC

Le Phuoc

NĂM TRĂM ĐỒNG





Reunions

18G (Ret.) Gary S. Smith

MILITARY POLICE CORPS



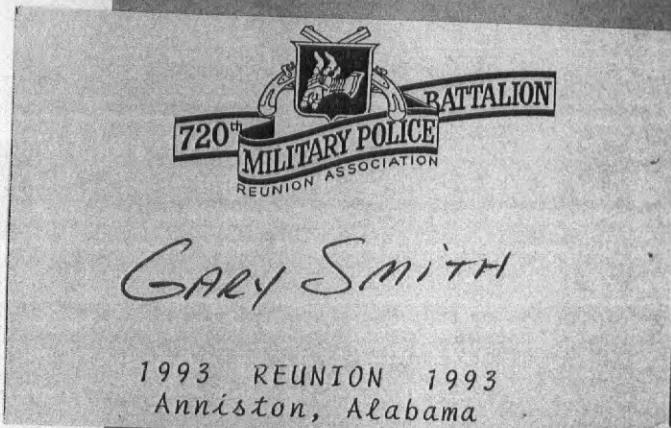
52D ANNIVERSARY
1941 - 1993

HISTORY OF THE MILITARY POLICE CORPS REGIMENT

The Military Police Corps has a proud heritage. Although the Corps, as a permanent branch of the Army, is one of the youngest of the services, its traditions of duty, service and security date back to our Revolution. In January of 1776, General Washington appointed a Provost Marshal to the Army of the United States Colonies. Two years later, by Congressional resolution, a Provost Corps was established "to be mounted on horse back, and armed and accounted as Light Dragoons."

In 1918, the first Military Police Corps was activated. Shortly thereafter, the Corps was dissolved. In 1941, a Military Police Corps was once again established. On June 28, 1950, Public Law 581 authorized the establishment of the Corps as a basic branch of the Army.

On September 24, 1986, the Military Police Corps Regiment was established at Fort McClellan. Today, after 52 years of dedicated service, the Military Police Corps is still "Of the Troops, for the Troops".



1993 REUNION 1993
Anniston, Alabama



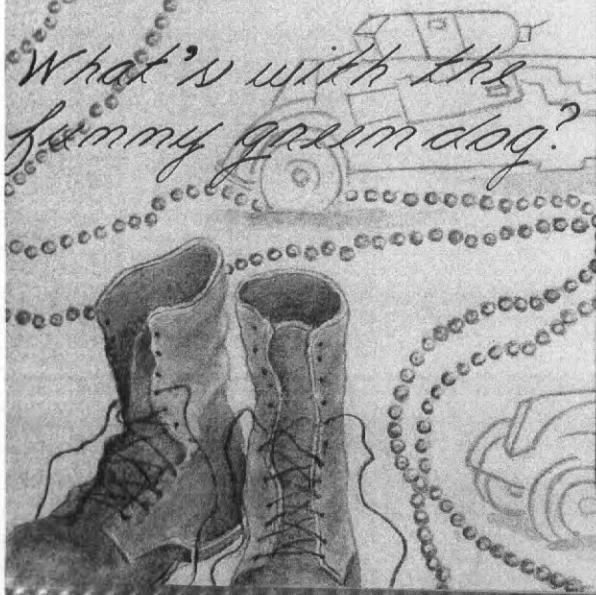
Left to right
CSM Thomas
Mr. McAndie, Co C, 1949-1950
Mr. Sullivan, Co C, 1948-1950 } x Corp N MP Co 1950-1951

Gary A. Smith, HHC, 720th MP BN, 1992-1995
Mr. Ewald, Co B, 1953-1954



Vietnam Military Police
Sentry Dogs Alumni
St. Louis
August 1997

Dale Koenen



Stan Bradine Bob Carter
Rex Hughes



Mariann Dahl

Can't forget the ladies
who put up with these guys



Dale Komen

Rich McPhillips

Bob Carter, Biff Fontenot



- David Dahl



Rex Hughes, Jim Dworzak, Stan
Brodin, Gary