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SEAWOLF QUESTIONNAIRE

- 1 What dates were you in Vietnam? From Feb 70 to Feb 71
- 2 What Dets were you in? 5 & 8 dates _____
Where was the Det located then? Det 5 YRDM 20 Det 8 Rock CA
Were you at the main base? First 3 months in country
- 3 Principal job, work, rating? Jet Mechanic + Door Gunner
- 4 Who was the Det OSC? Det 5 CDR Starbuck Det 8 LT Jeph
- 5 Squadron CO & XO? CO XO
- 6 What medals and awards did you earn while in Vietnam?
19 Air Medals, PUC, 2 Navy Commendations, Vietnam Civil Action Citation Unit, Vietnam Service and Campaign, Combat Action Ribbon
- 7 Name, rank and serial number, location, date and circumstances and other pertinent information concerning any deaths or injuries of HAL-3 H-46 personnel? AD2 John Buzan - Det 5, Died in 1976 in H-46 off the Coast of FL.
- 8 Special or unusual Ops that you were involved in while in Vietnam
Cambodian OPS from Det 5, worked with Chinese Mercenary Air boats in Tr. BM Forest.
- 9 With what units other than HAL-3 did you work? _____
- 10 What did you think of the ARVN's? Some were great others were not
- 11 What did you feel about the war when you returned home? Defensive
- 12 What did you feel about the war in 1975 when Saigon fell? that we failed.
- 13 What do you feel about the war today? Proud to have served.
- 14 Describe any close calls?
- 15 Describe your fondest memories in Vietnam?
- 16 What is your birthdate? _____ Social security NO? _____
Former enlisted or officer number? 6827830
- 17 Did you stay in the Navy after your tour in Vietnam? Got out for 2 years + reenlisted.
For how many years? Still in Navy
If you stayed in, did your HAL-3 experience help you or hurt you, why?
Helped, I designed a gun mount for the H-3 Helicopter based on mount used in HAL-3.
Hurt in personal ways.
- 18 How do you feel about HAL-3? An extremely elite group.
- 19 Who were the most unforgettable characters in Nam, why? _____
- 20 Describe any physical and mental troubles you have had since Vietnam that could be related to your duty there. A lot of mistrust of other people, initially upon returning to U.S.
True friendships are few.

- 21 What did you enjoy the most about Vietnam?
- 22 What was the most unpleasant aspect about Vietnam?
- 24 What units impressed you in Vietnam?
- 25 Do you have any records, photos, maps, mementos, forms, ect of HAL-3 that you would be willing to donate? Copy? Or allow us to copy? Describe them
- 26 The most secret item to which you were privy?
- 27 Have you been to the Vietnam Veterans Hall? NO If so, what were your impressions?
- 28 Did you see any atrocities during your tour? NO
- 29 Would you be interested in visiting Vietnam as a tourist with other HAL-3 vets? Yes NO X
- 30 How long were you in HAL-3? 1 year, The Navy? 19 years, Total military service? 19 years
- 31 The most unforgettable memory? Being in a mortar attack
- 32 What were the best and the worst things ever to happen to HAL-3?
- 34 List the songs you remember from Vietnam?
- 35 List the books you remember from Vietnam?
- 36 List the movies you remember from Vietnam? (while you were there)
- 37 What would you want remembered about Vietnam and HAL-3 and/or your service there? That we fought to help a country.
- 38 What did you lack the most while in Vietnam?
- 39 What did you have to much of while in Vietnam? Alcohol
- 40 What civic or charitable organizations were you involved in?
- 41 The food was? Sometimes Good - Sometimes Bad
- 42 Who were your best friends while in HAL-3? Do you know where they are now? If not, would you like to know? John Bagan - died in 1976 in H-6 crash off FI.
- 43 Funniest event while in HAL-3?
- 44 With all of today's knowledge, would you do it again? Yes X No