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Questions:

- 1 Name *RICKED L. JOHNSON*
- 2 Date of service *1964 - 1968 / VIETNAM 1967 - 1968*
- 3 Location in US and overseas *CALIFORNIA / VIETNAM QUANG TRI*
- 4 Volunteer or drafted? If drafted, did you consider avoiding it or filing as a CO? *VOLUNTEER*
- 5 How did you feel about the war before serving? After serving? *BELIEVED WE WERE DOING THE RIGHT THING & STILL DO.*
- 6 How did you feel while in the combat area? *NERVOUS, ANXIOUS, SCARED BUT PREPARED MENTALLY TO DO WHATEVER FOR GOD & COUNTRY.*
- 7 What impressions/ incidents stay with you? *THE CHILDREN / CONVOY SECOND TRUCK HIT LAND MINE.*
- 8 What impact, if any, do you feel service had on your future life? *THE MARINES PREPARED ME FOR LIFE. HELPED A YOUNG BOY TO BE A YOUNG MAN.*
- 9 Any stories you care to relate? *NO, TOO PERSONAL!*
- 10 How were you received when you came home? *wrongfully!*
- 11 Was it difficult to adjust to civilian life/ US culture? *SOMEWHAT / NO*
- 12 How did it change you personally, if applicable? *I WAS AN ANGRY YOUNG MAN WHEN I FIRST GOT HOME DUE TO LACK OF SUPPORT FROM OUR POLITICIANS.*
- 13 Would you visit Vietnam today? Do you think it would be a healing process? *YES / NEARLY COMPLETE THANKS TO JESUS CHRIST*
- 14 Did you ever participate in or consider participating in protest rallies? Before or after service? *WOULD NEVER CONSIDER PROTEST RALLIES. I LOVE THIS COUNTRY, GOD HAS TRULY BLESSED US.*
- 15 Did any government organizations assist you upon return? If so, were they helpful? *NO GOVERNMENT ASSIST.*
- 16 Did you participate in any self-help groups organized by veterans rather than government organizations? *I DID NOT KNOW OF ANY SELF HELP GROUPS. I GOT ALL THE HELP I NEEDED TO MOVE ON WHEN I ACCEPTED JESUS CHRIST AS MY PERSONAL SAVIOR IN 1974.*

*ELIZABETH! HOPE THIS SERVES YOU IN YOUR QUEST.  
GOD BLESS.*