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Attention TLCB Members

We need your help to preserve our history!

The Thailand, Laos, Cambodia Brotherhood has designated the Vietnam Archive at Texas Tech University as our archive. The purpose for establishing this relationship is to allow for several things.

TLCB is an important and unique group of men and women and the history of our collective service and sacrifice needs to be preserved and made available to researchers and the public. The Vietnam Archive is the nation's largest archive for the Vietnam War outside the US government and is one of the first places researchers go when they want to learn about the war.

The archive wants to work with every single TLCB member so that our history is preserved and made available to researchers who want to learn about what happened in Thailand, Laos, and Cambodia. We need to make sure that our history is there and available lest future generations of Americans forget about what our nation sacrificed. Your participation in preserving our history will help create a far more complete understanding of American activities in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam War.

The Vietnam Archive will preserve any personal material you're willing to donate to a collection in your name. The great thing about this is that you will not lose access to your materials. If you donate documents, photographs, slides, audio recordings, films, and just about anything else, the Vietnam Archive will digitize those materials and will return copies to you on CD-ROM or DVD. In addition, they will make digital copies available online through the Virtual Vietnam Archive so that you can more easily share them with family, friends and other members of the TLCB. Also, all TLCB collections will be linked together and we are able to link to all TLCB collections our web site.

The archive also invites all TLCB members to participate in the Oral History Project. They will conduct recorded interviews at our convenience so that, many years from now, researchers as well as your great, great grandchildren will be able to listen to you tell your history in your own words and in your voice. This is a wonderful and powerful legacy for all of us to leave for our descendents and future generations who are interested in learning from us.

In addition, the Vietnam Archive is preserving all of our organizational materials making sure that the history of the TLCB and our collective endeavors since the war are preserved alongside the history of our service in Southeast Asia. TLCB records will always be there as a part of the history! They will be digitizing and making many of those records available online as well.

This is a great opportunity for all members of TLCB to search through your closets, attics, basements, garages, foot-lockers, and old boxes and send your collections to the archive before they are lost or damaged. Donating your collection is very easy and the archive staff stands ready to assist you in any way necessary. Just call or write to let them know that you have materials you want to donate. Their e-mail address is vietnamarchive@ttu.edu and their phone number is 806-742-9010.

Here are some basic questions and answers about donating to the Vietnam Archive: