

**PRESERVING THE HISTORY OF
THE LRRP/RANGERS OF THE 1ST CAVALRY DIVISION DURING THE VIETNAM WAR
IN THE VIETNAM ARCHIVES
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