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RE: Alan Howardell SP4 E4 US Army Vietnam 1963-1965 Soc Trang Tiger

Enclosed you will find Alan's military burial CD created by Alan's friends from MERCK, John Reminger and Bill Koptis. Additionally, I had a second DVD created which incorporates the military burial, the eulogy, and photos of Alan's Huey during his tour in Vietnam. The photos of Alan's Huey were kindly provided to me by John Brennan who obtained them from the U.S. Army Aviation Museum's photo file. Mr. Brennan wrote the book entitled: U.S. Army Helicopter Names in Vietnam (2011) - which is the most complete listing available, (www.hellgatepress.com). I also had most, if not all, identifying numbers 'blurred out' on this DVD. This current DVD replaces the previous DVD I already sent out to a few of you. I believe the final project has been completed now and is ready for submission, once again, to the Library of Congress Oral History Project and the Department of Defense Vietnam 50th Anniversary Commemoration Program. According to Bob Greene, historian for the 121st, the 121st Aviation Association has already accepted Alan's DVD for their official archive to be retained as a permanent record and the DVD will be incorporated into the Texas Tech University Vietnam Archives. The first release of the archive will be sent to the Vietnam Archives at Texas Tech University during this current year, 2011. Additionally, Alan will be inducted into the In Memory Program on Sunday, **November 11, 2012** during their Veterans Day Ceremony at 11:00 AM at the NJ Vietnam Veterans' Memorial in Holmdel, NJ. I extend a warm invitation to you and your family to join us.

Peace and God Bless,

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