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Dear Gary:

First, congratulations and "THANKS" to all of you for the outstanding VHPA Directory. Receiving it the day before Veterans Day and in time to send Christmas cards to a number of long lost buddies was a particularly nice touch.

Enclosed is a copy of a well worn graduation program from 67-13/14 at Wolters, highlighted are KIA/MIAs so a class can be included in their Directory entry. Also enclosed a copy of initial Flight Orders.

On my own entry I departed So. Cal. and IFR Avionics to happily although somewhat hungrily do Aviation Consulting/Writing in the woods of Washington state.

Referance the call sign section:

a. AVENGERS. Were the 189th(GUNS). If you want to be absolutely precise you could add: AVENGERS were the fastest shooting, best looking, hardest drinking, most devastating gun platoon to ever grace the skys of S.E. Asia. Of course, printing those facts might make some pretenders whine and snivel.

b. GHOSTRIDER. At least in 67-68 were the 189th(SLICKS). If the 119th(pg 182) "ALLIGATORS" used a GHOSTRIDER call sign during this time it was only because they were trying to intercept private stock Aussie dancers(a long story) or maybe they had lost an LZ or were having a Freudian fantasy for a transfer or something.

c. DRAGON. Was 52 CAB call in 67-68-----When they would answer!

Well Gary, one more time thanks to you and the rest of the people who put so much effort into the directory and making VHPA a meaningful, satisfying organization.

Sincerely,



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