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Dear Admiral Zumwalt;

Our West Coast Chapter of Gamewardens (TF 116) is fortunate to have BMCS Louis Duty as a member.

At our yearly reunions he has always managed to say a few kind words about our departed comrades.

Since our TF 116 Memorial was established at NTC, San Diego, we had to provide another location when it was scheduled to be closed. The CO of NAB, Coronado made a site available for us

Chief Duty, again, provided the re-dedication tribute and I thought it appropriate for you to have a copy.

My best to Mrs Zumwalt.

I will try to make the April meeting at Texas Tech in Lubbock, TX. Jim Reckner keeps me informed of the happenings there.

Warm regards, ~

Art Price
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An Emotional Tribute From A Survivor and Friend



Ladies and Gentlemen, Fellow Warriors, and Distinguished Guests - WELCOME. This is a sad time for me and if I get a little emotional and shed a few tears and get "choked up," please bear with me. It only proves that I care and I have feelings. We remember and give thanks -- From the Gamewardens of Vietnam, Inc.

We are here today to pay tribute to our fallen comrades. We dedicate this wreath to the memory of our 256 shipmates who were killed in action, while serving with the U.S. Navy River Patrol Force in South Vietnam, known as "Operation Gamewarden" -Task Force #116. They gave their tomorrow for our today. Freedom is not free. We know that the road to Freedom is paved with "Purple Hearts." These brave men sacrificed their lives in defense of our Freedom and ideas and they were awarded every decoration this Country has to offer, including more than one "Medal of Honor."

They are under a different Command now:

One that knows no rank -- only love,

One that knows no danger -- only peace.

We, who remain to carry on, should not think of our shipmates as departed from us, but rather as having been transferred to a great "Celestial Ship" or "Station" in the "Heavens," where we hope all of us may be shipmates again someday.

"We do not lose the ones we love, they only go before

Where there is everlasting life, where sorrow is no more.

And there the soul will always live, and peace is everywhere.

We do not lose the ones we love. God takes them in His care."

We remember and give thanks for the services rendered to the U.S. Navy and a grateful nation.

Our shipmates died in a far-off distant land, a long ways from home. They are "enshrined" in our hearts and as long as any of us survivors remain alive, they will never be forgotten.

God bless America, God bless our POWs and MIAs, and God bless these brave men who gave their "all" for their country." May they rest in peace. We salute you. (Play "Taps.") Let's all observe one minute of silent prayer for our departed comrades and our POWs and MIAs. May the blessing of Heaven rest upon us and brotherly love prevail. Until we meet again. God bless you. Thank you.



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Dear Art:

Many thanks for sending me the memorandum about departed comrades.

I am excited to know that you are firmly committed to coming to Lubbock for the seminar.

All best wishes.

Sincerely,

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*Look forward to
being with you*

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