

THE VIETNAM TAP CODE

Developed by four American POWs who were imprisoned in North Vietnam beginning in 1965, the 5x5 grid system is separated by rows and columns. The letter C is used for both C and K. The first series of taps indicates the row number, the second series of taps indicates the column. The letter X was used as the period or to separate sentences.

	1	2	3	4	5
1	A	B	C	D	E
2	F	G	H	I	J
3	L	M	N	O	P
4	Q	R	S	T	U
5	V	W	X	Y	Z

Try it out! Count down, then across.

3 - 3: _____

4-5: _____

5-1: _____

5-1: _____

4-3: _____

1-5: _____

3-2: _____

1-1: _____

4-4: _____

3-2: _____

2-1: _____

4-3: _____

About the National Veterans Memorial and Museum

The National Veterans Memorial and Museum is a powerful and personal experience designed to give a voice to every man and woman who answered the call for our country. It is the only museum in America that honors ALL Veterans - from all branches of service, and from all eras of our nation's proud history of military service, both peacetime and wartime - and takes visitors on a narrative journey telling individual stories and shared experiences of Veterans throughout history.

