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## ***Welcome our Vietnam Veterans Home at the NVMM or Online National Vietnam War Veterans Day, Friday, March 29 \$5 Museum Admission All Day***

**(COLUMBUS, Ohio)** – In observance of National Vietnam War Veterans Day, the National Veterans Memorial and Museum (NVMM) invites the public to honor and welcome home our Vietnam Veterans with a special in-person and live-streamed ceremony on March 29 at 10 a.m. in the Great Hall.

Museum admission is \$5 for guests and free for Veterans and active-duty military service members on Friday from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. [Tickets are available online from the NVMM website.](#) The event will be live-streamed and available later on NVMM [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#) channels.

“On Vietnam War Veterans Day, we invite everyone to join us at the NVMM or online to give our Vietnam Veterans the welcome home they deserve but so many never received,” said Bill Butler, Colonel, U.S. Army (Retired) and acting president of the National Veterans Memorial and Museum. “March 29 is a day created to officially honor the service of Veterans like my father who served two tours in Vietnam – to remind them and their families of our gratitude for their service and sacrifices.”

### **Welcome Home Ceremony**

The Welcome Home Ceremony will feature a keynote speech from Tom Cunningham, U.S. Navy and Vietnam War Veteran. He will share his experiences during Vietnam and on coming home.

Boxer, an iHeartMedia radio personality and program director heard daily on 93.3 The Bus and 92.3 WCOL, will emcee the event.

### **Community Involvement**

More than 200 “Welcome Home” signs will be posted at the NVMM and given to Vietnam Veterans thanks to the families who participated in WOSU’s Second Saturday Kids Day Program this month, second graders from Jefferson Elementary School in Gahanna, Gahanna-Lincoln High School and Franklinton High School students.

**History of National Vietnam War Veterans Day, March 29** National Vietnam War Veterans Day was established as a national observance.



in 2017, the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Vietnam War, to recognize the nine million Americans who served during the Vietnam War. March 29, 1973, was the day U.S. Military Assistance Command, Vietnam, was disestablished and the last U.S. combat troops departed Vietnam.

### **About the National Veterans Memorial and Museum**

The National Veterans Memorial and Museum is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and does not receive federal funding. The museum takes visitors on a narrative journey telling individual stories and sharing experiences of Veterans from all military branches throughout history, both during their service and as they continue serving in our communities. We honor the sacrifices of men and women in service and their families. History is presented in a dynamic, participatory experience with photos, letters and personal effects, multimedia presentations, interactive exhibits, online events and digital content. Together, these elements link our national story to the larger context of our world. For more information, please visit [NationalVMM.org](http://NationalVMM.org).

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