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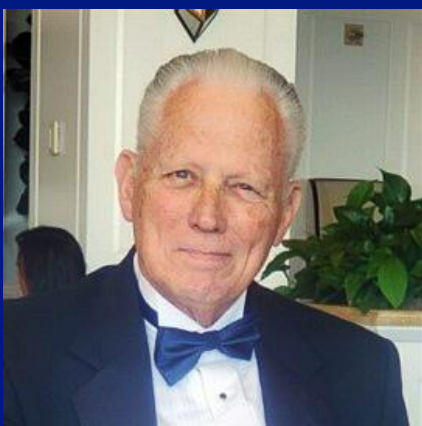
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COL Members,



We regret to inform you that we unexpectedly lost a Champions Of Liberty™ member on July 15th.

Lt Col [Jim Robertson](#), USAF flew the back seat of the F-4 Phantom in Vietnam and was part of Operation Linebacker



Jim had agreed to serve as Commanding officer – Veterans in Defense of Liberty® 553rd (Dallas Texas).

Having truly, "... slipped the surly bonds of earth, ..." he will be sincerely missed.

Rest in peace our Brother.

Feel free to share this Press Release with any media.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Veterans in Defense of Liberty® is thrilled to announce that their Cavalry Division,

Liberty Riders of America™, will host the first annual “Peak Ride for Honor” from Springfield, Missouri, to the summit of Pikes Peak, Colorado, honoring America’s Missing in Action.

Missouri Official Annual Motorcycle Ride of Remembrance: On September 21, 2019, Veterans in Defense of Liberty’s® (ViDoL), Liberty Riders of America™ inaugurated the first annual “Missouri Vietnam Wall Run” to the only identical Vietnam Memorial Wall Sister to that in Washington DC. The Inaugural “Missouri Vietnam Wall Run” from Springfield to the Sister Wall in Perryville, was Proclaimed by Governor Mike Parson as the “Missouri Official Annual Motorcycle Ride of Remembrance.” The Perryville Ride in 2020 represented the only Ride in America remembering our fallen represented on the Wall. The Ride to Perryville on September 17, 2021 (POW/MIA Day) will conclude with a ceremony in Perryville featuring the Saluting Marine (Tim Chambers), MOH recipient Major General Patrick Henry Brady (the most-decorated veteran alive) as Keynote Speaker, and a wreath-laying at the Memorial Wall.

Remember Those Who Never Came Home: Every American warrior deserves to walk on American soil again or be buried within it. They were all prepared to serve their country as needed. They were prepared to serve in combat, prepared to be taken prisoner, prepared to be injured or even killed. However, none were prepared to be forgotten. Although the Missouri Vietnam Wall Run departs Springfield each year on National POW/MIA Day, few recognize the names on the Wall, designated by a “+” as those who went missing or were taken prisoner, while a triangle designates those KIA. Therefore, most excursions to the Vietnam Wall, understandably, become about those who gave the “Last full measure of devotion,” with only passing thoughts for those with uncertain fates who never returned home. We must never forget their names or their sacrifices!

Peak Ride For Honor: The inaugural “Peak Ride for Honor” (July 22 – July 26, 2021) is to remember and honor those Vietnam veterans and all American veterans who died by unknown means in unknown places, and whose final resting place is known but to God. What better place to honor them than on the summit of “America’s Mountain” – Pike’s peak? At 14,115 feet, Pike’s Peak is the highest point of the southern front range of the Rocky Mountains in North America. From here, they will be remembered with a Battle Cross and dog tags for each of Missouri’s 32 MIA. In a brief ceremony, a POW/MIA flag will be raised to the heavens in the name of all American MIA’s.

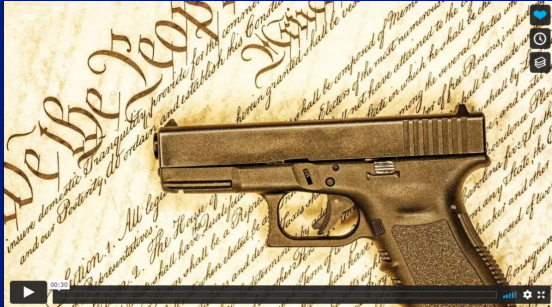
One Mile For Each Vietnam MIA: From the departure location at Mikes Unique, 3335 W. Sunshine (0800 hrs.) in Springfield, Missouri to the Summit and back is 1,584 miles. The number of veterans still missing

in Vietnam is 1,584. We will ride one mile for each American Servicemember still missing in Vietnam.

Supporters are encouraged to pledge by the mile, whether 1 cent, 5 cents, 10 cents, 1 dollar or more. Half of the money raised will support the Ride to the Wall, with the other half donated to Honor Flight of the Ozarks to further its mission of taking veterans to their memorial in Washington DC.

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- Dwight D. Eisenhower

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"Those who expect to reap the blessings of freedom must, like men, undergo the fatigue of supporting it." - Thomas Paine



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