

USMC Class 38th OCC/BC 3-66 Alumni Profiles



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After leaving Quantico: Attended Artillery School, Vietnamese language School, and assigned to 2nd Field Artillery Group at Camp Lejeune

Vietnam Tour: 1966 – 1968

Attached To: Assigned to E-2/11, attached to 2/5, finally to HQ Btry 2/11

Jobs in Nam: Forward Observer, Bn Arty Liaison Officer; XO-E-2/11, CO – HQ Btry 2/11

Locations in Nam: Nong Song, An Hoa, Arizona Territory, Phu Bai

Operations in Nam: Union I & II, Supported TET Offensive & Other Ops

Experiences to Share:

Best:
XO of E-2/11, a real troop leading roll

Worst:
CO – HQ. Battery 2/11...too many "Politicians"

Favorite Memories:

In Service:
Being forced to grow-up quickly and returning home without injury;
Married 40 years to the same woman

After Service:
Several return trips to Vietnam, travel to Australia, New Zealand with children, trips to France & Italy with my wife, but most important watching my children grow into responsible, loving adults

Medals Received:

CAB, Presidential Unit Citation, VSM, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry, Reserve Service Medal, both Marine Corps and Armed Forces

Jobs:

In Service:
I & I, Prov, RI Arty Officer, 25th Marines Worcester, MA, Staff Briefer PP&O in DC; Project Officer – MTU RI-1, Newport, RI

After Service:
Commercial Broker, CFO, COO & consultant with several manufacturing companies, NE, Chicago, & Philadelphia

Other Comments:

If you have not returned to Vietnam, you should. It's a great inexpensive experience. See me at the reunion for details