



# THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA VIETNAM WAR COMMEMORATION



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Dear Commemorative Partners,



**Happy New Year!** We are grateful for the *selfless service* and valor of our uniformed men and women who have sacrificed to preserve liberty for each generation. **We salute** our Soldiers, Marines, Sailors, Airmen, Guardians and Coast Guardsmen deployed around the world, who work diligently to *protect the freedoms* we are able to enjoy every day.

As we kick off 2025, two recent national, prominent historical items of note. **First**, on January 2, President Joseph R. Biden, Jr., posthumously recognized former VWC colleague, and dear friend, renowned Vietnam War correspondent and author—the late [Joseph Lee Galloway](#)—with the Presidential Citizens Medal. The award was presented to Joe’s widow Gracie (at right). You can watch the 18-minute [recorded ceremony](#) with all honorees, as well as read Galloway’s citation on the [White House press release](#). In addition, check out his [Oral History Interview](#) to hear his story in his own words. **Second**, on January 3, the Medal of Honor was awarded to seven recipients, two Vietnam veterans: Captain [Hugh R. Nelson, Jr.](#) (posthumously) and Specialist Fourth Class [Kenneth J. David](#), both U.S. Army. Access all of the recipients’ [citations](#), view the [presentation](#) and read about the Pentagon Hall of Heroes [induction ceremony](#).



Presidential Citizens Medal presentation honoring Joe Galloway.

**Looking ahead**, as we move toward our Commemoration wind-down, we have *important announcements* and reminders. **Plan early** for your [National Vietnam War Veterans Day](#) (March 29) and other events by submitting your requests for support and materials *as soon as possible*. Supplies are limited, and remain available only on a first-come, first-serve basis. **Key dates:**

March 2025						
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- **March 15:** Last day to **order materials or support** (DD2956) via our Partner Portal;
- **March 31:** Last day we will be able support these events.

**Stay tuned**, as we prepare to release our *new* [National Vietnam War Veterans Day](#) poster in weeks ahead. In the meantime, a *plethora of resources* are available to incorporate into your programs. Consider our [National Vietnam War Veterans Day](#) video (at right); [Join the Nation](#) video; the Emmy-nominated [Welcome Home](#) broadcast production; previous [March 29 Posters](#); our [Media and Public Information Kit](#)—for quotes, key messages, links to all three presidential proclamations, and legacy products such as our [Oral Histories](#), [Educational Posters](#), [Teacher’s Toolkit](#) and virtual [Pentagon Vietnam War Exhibit](#); other [Digital Resources](#); and finally our [Director’s video message](#). Enjoy!



National Vietnam War Veterans Day video

~ The United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration Staff ~

*Join the Nation ... thank a Vietnam veteran!*