



1ST BATTALION, 50TH INFANTRY

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I represent the 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Association, made up primarily of Vietnam Veterans of the U.S. Army 50th Infantry Regiment. I am the historian and webmaster for the Association. Visit our site at: <http://www.ichiban1.org>

To keep the memory alive of all who gave the ultimate sacrifice while members of the 50th Infantry, the association has donated a memorial to the present day 50th Infantry Battalion at Fort Benning, Georgia.



Every two years, we have a ceremony at the memorial with full battalion honors. This “wreath laying” coincides with our Association Reunion, also held every two years. At our last reunion, we were honored to have in attendance nearly 30 of our KIA's surviving family members and friends.

We would like to invite you to attend our ceremony on May 4th of this year since you are related in some fashion to the men who we honor that were killed in action in Vietnam. The event will be attended by over 100 men who served in the various 50th Infantry designations in Vietnam. Our keynote event speaker will be Sergeant Major of the Army, Dan Dailey: <http://www.army.mil/leaders/sma/>

On our association website, we have created a memorial page for every man of the 50th Infantry killed in Vietnam. http://www.ichiban1.org/html/date_in_memoriam.htm

If you can attend the upcoming memorial wreath laying ceremony, please be in touch with me at your earliest convenience so that I can communicate more detail about time and location.

We look forward to having you with us in May.

Sincere Regards,

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