

Thurs., May 17 - Wall Opens for Viewing 8:00p.m.



Friday, May 18 – Opening Ceremony, 6:00p.m.

Master of Ceremonies: Mr. Jack O'Malley

Opening Prayer: Colonel Ray Moore (Ret)
Michigan Army National Guard State Chaplain

Presentation of Service Flags:

Boy Scout Troop #629

Raising of Flag: Fife Lake American Legion
Post #219, Sons of the American Legion

National Anthem: Autumn Rhoades

Placing of Wreath: Fife Lake American Legion
Post #219, Auxiliary

Rifle Salute: Fife Lake American Legion
Post #219, Color Guard

Patriotic Song: Autumn Rhoades

Guest Speaker: Rep. Ray Franz, SGT US Army,
Vietnam Veteran

USCG Flyover

Vietnam Veterans 50th Commemoration:

Jeanne McMillan, Chairperson, Michigan State
Service for Veterans, Job Winslow Chapter,
Daughters of the American Revolution

Closing Remarks: Lt. Bob Barr, USMC

TAPS at the Moving Wall

Lowering of the Flag: Boy Scout Troop #629

Closing Prayer: Pastor Scott Rhoades,
Many Rivers Ministries, Kalkaska

Sat., May 19 – Concert at The Wall, 6:00p.m.

Master of Ceremonies: Army LTC Brian Burrell,
Deputy Commander, Camp Grayling, JMTC

Opening Prayer: Sister Augusta

The Pledge of Allegiance: Kalkaska & Antrim
Service Unit #4425

National Anthem: Chloe Miller, Miss Kalkaska

126th US Army Band Concert

Guest Speaker: Rep. Jack Bergman, LTG USMC
Vietnam Veteran

Bag Pipes at the Moving Wall:

Kalkaska & Antrim Service Unit #4425

Lowering of the Flag:

Kalkaska & Antrim Service Unit #4425



**Stop by the MOVIE TENT for various
Vietnam documentary show times.**

Sunday, May 20 – Closing Ceremony, 2:00p.m.

Master of Ceremonies:

Navy Commander (Ret) Alan Hart

Opening Prayer: Minister Andy Bratton,
Kalkaska Church of Christ

National Anthem: Traverse City Central HS Quartet

Guest Speaker: CSM (Ret) Billy Spencer, USAF,
Vietnam Veteran

Patriotic Songs: Debbie Stern

National Blue Star Memorial Dedication

Louise Hinds, President Quality Thyme Garden Club

Judy Lindemulder, Blue Star Chair MI Garden Club

Sue Soderberg, MGC District V Director

Dawn Willman, President Blue Star Mothers of

America, Western Waters Chapter 187

Grand Traverse Pipes and Drums

Fallen Comrade Table

TAPS at the Moving

Lowering of the Flag: US Coast Guard Color Guard



- **What happens to the articles left at The Moving Wall by friends or relatives?** The artifacts are collected, boxed, and marked at each location then taken back to White Pine, Michigan. They are currently stored at The Moving Wall's warehouse/office complex. A museum will be built and all the artifacts that have been left at The Wall will be displayed.

In honor of the men and women of the Armed Forces of the United States who served in the Vietnam War. The names of those who gave their lives and of those who remain missing are inscribed in the order they were taken from us.

- John Devitt, Gerry Haver, and Norris Shears, Vietnam veterans from California, were concerned that not everyone could travel to the nation's capital so they constructed the 252-foot Vietnam Veteran's Memorial (Mobile) or what is most commonly called "The Moving Wall." It was completed in October 1984.
- The Moving Wall is constructed of two walls that are 125.5 feet each, making a total length of 252.83 feet. The vertex is just over six feet in height where the two walls join.
- As of Memorial Day 2017, there are 58,318 names listed on the Memorial. Approximately 1,300 of these are still unaccounted for prisoners of war (P.O.W.'s) and missing in action (M.I.A.'s).
- **What are the dates 1959 and 1975 on The Wall?** 1959 is the year the Dept. of Defense gave us the date in which the first American casualties occurred, two military advisors killed on July 8th in Bien Hoa while watching a movie in a mess tent. 1975 was the year the last 18 casualties occurred on May 15th during the operation to rescue the U.S. freighter *Mayaguez* and its crew. After the dedication of the Memorial in November 1982, it was learned that two other men were killed in action in 1956 and 1957. Their names have been added but it was impossible to change 1959 on The Wall.
- **How are the names arranged?** The names are listed in chronological order according to the date of casualty or reported as POW/MIA.
- **Which Wall is East, which is West?** When facing The Wall, the East wall is always to your right, starting with panel 1E (1959 at the top). The West wall, starting with panel 1W (1975 at the bottom) is just to the left of panel 1E.
- **What are the numbers at the bottom of the panels?** The numbers are used in locating a name and are reference numbers; they do not signify dates.

More facts about The Wall are on the back of this program

- **What are the dots on The Wall?** The white dots are used to help locate the line on which a name appears, and are helpful when looking for a name on the larger panels. Each dot marks 20 lines. They are located in the margin of each panel having more than 20 lines.
- **What are the symbols beside each name?** The diamonds ♦ and plus0065s + indicate whether a person is confirmed dead (including accidents and natural causes), or those missing. A diamond indicates a person's death was confirmed. A plus indicates that a person remains missing and/or held as a prisoner of war, and are in no way meant to be a religious symbol. A plus can be turned into a diamond if a person is declared dead (or remains if a person is recovered). A circle (Circle of Life) will be inscribed around a plus if a person is freed and brought home alive.
- There are **sixteen military chaplains** listed on The Wall. Two were awarded the Medal of Honor, the military's highest award for valor.
- There are **eight women** listed on The Wall. Seven were US Army nurses and one was an Air Force nurse.

Vietnam Combat Veterans, Ltd.

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The meaning of the pink carnation:

"We will never forget you."



Remember Our Local Heroes

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"The Moving Wall"

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