



WELCOME HOME!

MAY 11-13, WASHINGTON, D.C.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
**VIETNAM WAR
COMMEMORATION**



A Nation Honors our Vietnam Veterans and their Families The National Mall, JFK Hockey Fields | West Potomac Park | Washington, D.C.

Camp Legacy: A Legacy of Service and Sacrifice, JFK Hockey Fields/West Potomac Park

Camp Legacy will expand on the story of our Vietnam veterans and the contributions of individual citizens, our allies, the Services, and nongovernmental organizations during the Vietnam War period. It will feature a Plaza of Appreciation with entertainment, a parade ground, interactive engagements, historical and museum exhibits, two static display areas featuring Vietnam period helicopters and vehicles, a Veterans Services Hub, Continuing Legacy Hub and a place for veterans and their families to gather.

THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2023

11 a.m. JFK Hockey Fields Parade Ground: Opening Ceremony and Ribbon Cutting
This formally opens Camp Legacy.

11 a.m. – 6 p.m. JFK Hockey Fields: Tribute wear blue Mile

The Tribute wear blue Mile, in partnership with Sons and Daughters in Touch, will comprise 200 posters, each with a face and name of a Vietnam War Service Member who remains unaccounted for. This display will border the walkway along the Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool.

12 p.m. JFK Hockey Fields Parade Ground: Drill Teams

The Unity Reed High School Air Force JROTC, Manassas, Va., and the U.S. Air Force Drill Teams perform.

1 p.m. JFK Hockey Fields Parade Ground Stage: Pat Garvey

Washington, D.C., based Pat Garvey has been playing Irish folk music in the National Capital Region since 1978. His rendition of Tim Murphy's "The Wall" is a moving tribute to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

2 p.m. JFK Hockey Fields Rally Point Panel Discussion: Reflections on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial, dedicated on November 13, 1982, is one of the nation's foremost emblems of service, sacrifice

and reflection. Individuals involved in this national memorial will discuss their journey, key decisions, and its lasting legacy.

3 p.m. JFK Hockey Fields Parade Ground Stage: The Angel Force Band

Some of popular music's top session musicians—including James Raymond, who recorded and toured with his late father, David Crosby—rock out on a late '60s/early '70s playlist.

4 p.m. JFK Hockey Fields Rally Point Panel Discussion: Servicewomen in the Vietnam War

Trailblazing Vietnam veteran servicewomen share their remarkable stories of service—what they did and what inspired more than 265,000 women to don the uniform and serve.

4 p.m. West Potomac Park: U.S. Army Parachute Team Golden Knights Jump

The Golden Knights will perform a precision parachute drop in West Potomac Park. A grass viewing area will be open between Camp Legacy West Potomac Park and the concert stage.

5 – 6 p.m. JFK Hockey Fields Parade Ground: Sunset Performance

The U.S. Coast Guard Drill team and the U.S. Coast Guard Jazz Band perform. Vietnam veterans with Bugles Across America play TAPS thereby closing out Day One.

FRIDAY, MAY 12, 2023

10 a.m. – 6 p.m. JFK Hockey Fields bordering Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool: Tribute wear blue Mile

The Tribute wear blue Mile display will border the walkway along the Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool. The Tribute, in partnership with Sons and Daughters in Touch, will comprise 200 posters, each with a face and name of a Vietnam War Service Member who remains unaccounted for.

10 a.m. JFK Hockey Fields Parade Ground: Drill Teams

The Ballou Senior High School Marching Band, Washington D.C.; Herndon High School Navy JROTC Drill Team and the U.S. Navy Drill Team perform.

11 a.m. JFK Hockey Fields Rally Point Panel Discussion: U.S. Allies in the Vietnam War

Hear the experiences of South Korean, Australian, New Zealand, and Thai military personnel in the Vietnam War. Learn how the allied partners who fought alongside the American forces and the South Vietnamese were organized, where they served and what they did.

12 p.m. JFK Hockey Fields Parade Ground Stage: Danny Many Horses

A member of the Mescalero Apache and a service veteran, Danny Many Horses fuses native flute songs with jazz.

1 p.m. JFK Hockey Fields Rally Point Panel Discussion: Military Nurses Speak

As part of the program celebrating International Nurses Day, a panel of Vietnam veteran nurses from each of the services will recount their experiences during the Vietnam War, mending wounds and tending to ailments under harsh conditions and unrelenting fire.

2 p.m. JFK Hockey Fields Parade Ground Stage: Donnie Isaacs

A veteran who found his calling in country music through the Center for American Military Music Opportunities (CAMMO), will be performing. CAMMO is geared toward elevating and empowering service members, veterans and military-connect families through music.

3 p.m. JFK Hockey Fields Rally Point Panel Discussion:

Four-Star Vietnam Veterans

The Air & Space Forces Association host six retired four-star flag officers who are Vietnam veterans in a multiservice discussion of the Vietnam War and its legacy: U.S. Army Gen. Dennis J. Reimer, U.S. Marine Corps Gen. John J. Sheehan, U.S. Navy Adm. Michael G. Mullen, U.S. Air Force Gen. Ronald R. Fogleman, National Guard Bureau Gen. Craig R. McKinley and U.S. Coast Guard Adm. James M. Loy.

4 p.m. JFK Hockey Fields Rally Point Panel Discussion: The Ongoing Mission Accounting for POWs and MIAs

The missing in action and still unaccounted for are an important population of Vietnam veterans yet to be "welcomed home." Hear experts and family members on this issue and the remarkable and successful efforts in accounting for the unaccounted.

4 p.m. West Potomac Park: U.S. Army Parachute Team Golden Knights Jump

The Golden Knights will perform a precision parachute drop in West Potomac Park. A grass viewing area will be open between Camp Legacy West Potomac Park and the concert stage.

5 - 6 p.m. JFK Hockey Fields Parade Ground: Sunset Performance

The U.S. Army Drill team and the U.S. Navy's Country Current will perform. Vietnam veterans with Bugles Across America play TAPS thereby closing out Day Two.

6:20 p.m. Nationals Park: Vietnam Veterans Welcome Home at Nationals Park

Major League Baseball's Washington Nationals will honor Vietnam veterans and their families, before and during the team's home game (opening pitch at 7:05 p.m.) against the New York Mets. Celebrations include a pinning ceremony for Vietnam veterans, special recognition of families who

lost loved ones in the war, and an International Nurses Day tribute to Vietnam veteran nurses.

SATURDAY, MAY 13, 2023

8:30 a.m. JFK Hockey Fields Parade Ground: Warm-up Session

The President's Council for Sports, Fitness, and Nutrition will partner with youth from the Nation's Capital to lead a warmup and stretching session for veterans, their family members, and all other attendees.

9 a.m. JFK Hockey Fields Parade Ground: wear blue Circle of Remembrance and Run

wear blue: run to remember will lead the Circle of Remembrance, a place of connection, support, and physical activity for athletes of all abilities. Members of the group will embark on a self-paced run, walk, roll or other physical activity. The one- or two-mile routes around the National Mall will begin through the Tribute wear blue Mile highlighting 200 of the over 58,281 U.S. Armed Forces service members listed on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

10 a.m. - 1 p.m. West Potomac Park: The "Welcome Home Veterans" Radio Show

Joe Griffies will host his weekly "Welcome Home Veterans" radio show. The program brings recognition to Vietnam War veterans and addresses the challenges of all veterans. The show can be heard on WIBG, 1020 AM and 101.3 FM

10 a.m. - 6 p.m. JFK Hockey Fields: Tribute wear blue Mile

The Tribute wear blue Mile, in partnership with Sons and Daughters in Touch, will comprise 200 posters, each with a face and name of a Vietnam War Service Member who remains unaccounted for. This display will border the walkway along the Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool.

10 a.m. Parade Ground: Drill Teams

Military Working Dog Demonstration by the 316 Security Support Group, Military Working Dog Unit, at Joint Base Andrews, hosted by the Vietnam Dog Handler Association.

11 a.m. Rally Point Panel Discussion: Journalism in the Vietnam War

The Vietnam War was the first TV war, and media coverage changed the perception and support back home in the United States. Hosted by Stars and Stripes, Mark Bowden, author of Hue 1968 and Black Hawk Down, will lead the discussion, which includes two Stars and Stripes reporters in Vietnam, of the difficulties of telling the Vietnam War story.



1 p.m. West Potomac Park: "Welcome Home" Concert/Multimedia Celebration

The keystone event is a large-stage program featuring live music, speakers, video montages and multimedia elements telling the story of the Vietnam War period and paying tribute to the service, sacrifice, and contributions of Vietnam veterans, their families, and the many who supported them.

3 p.m. JFK Hockey Fields Parade Ground Stage: Erica Scanlon Harr

The 2004 Miss New Jersey has pursued a successful stage career in Off-Broadway shows, Disney Cruise Line, and regional theaters.

4 p.m. JFK Hockey Fields Rally Point Panel Discussion: How to Preserve your Service Artifacts

Hosted by the Library of Congress Veterans History Project, professional museum curators and archivists will offer tips on how to preserve your own historic documents and artifacts, and where to donate those service memorabilia into perpetuity.

4 p.m. West Potomac Park: U.S. Army Parachute Team Golden Knights Jump

The Golden Knights will perform a precision parachute drop in West Potomac Park. A grass viewing area will be open between Camp Legacy West Potomac Park and the concert stage.

5 - 6 p.m. JFK Hockey Fields Parade Ground: Sunset Performance

The U.S. Marine Corps Drill Team and the U.S. Marine Corps band Free Country perform. Vietnam veterans wutg Bugles Across America plays TAPS, closing out Camp Legacy Day Three and concluding Welcome Home!