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Descriptive Inventory

FA 1045 VIETNAM Traveling Memorial Wall – Exhibit

2 boxes. 3 folders. 27 items. 2017. Foam core placards, photocopies

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COLLECTION NOTE

The Vietnam and All Veterans of Brevard, a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization located in Brevard County, Florida, designed and built the Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall in 2003. The veterans group assists former service members in readjusting to civilian life. Since its completion, the replica has been exhibited in venues across the United States. Measuring nearly six feet tall, 300 feet long, and 3/5ths the size of the original monument in Washington, D.C., the traveling replica serves as an accessible—and powerful—reminder of those who died in combat.

The Cave City Convention Center hosted the Wall in a weeklong event honoring Vietnam veterans counties from 30 August through 5 September 5 2017. Of the 58,272 names that appear on the Wall, 71 belong to former residents of the Barren River Area Development District, including Warren, Barren, Hart, Edmonson, Butler, Logan, Simpson, Allen, Metcalfe, and Monroe Counties in Kentucky. The commemorative placards contained within this collection were part of The Fallen Heroes display, an additional exhibit presented in conjunction with the Memorial Wall. The twenty-two foam core placards selected for this collection represent enlistees from only Warren County, Kentucky; each placard includes a photograph of the fallen soldier, his date of birth, his service record, and where he died. A small explanatory placard includes pertinent information: “County assigned based on the residency of next of kin at time of combat casualty.” This means that a soldier who hailed from Edmonson County was actually assigned to Barren County if his next of kin lived there rather than listing the service person’s original county of residence.

Sharon Tabor, director of the convention center and the Cave City Tourist and Convention Commission, stressed the historical and personal significance of the exhibit and encouraged attendees to reflect on the sacrifices made by both service members and their local communities.

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BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD

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Collection contains descriptive placards from “The Fallen Heroes” display, an exhibit that was presented in conjunction with the Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall. The Wall, which is a scaled-down replica of the Washington D.C. monument, was installed at the Cave City Convention Center from 30 August to 5 September 2017.

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SUBJECT ANALYTICS

Allen, John Franklin, 1950-1969 – Relating to
 Anderson, James D., 1948-1969 – Relating to
 Ausbrooks, Richard David, 1948-1969 – Relating to
 De Marches, John Thomas, 1933-1969 – Relating to
 Dye, Larry Clay, 1948-1967 – Relating to
 Edwards, John Newt, 1928-1969 – Relating to
 Fallen Heroes, The – Exhibit
 Garrett, Paul Ellis, 1922-1969 – Relating to
 Graham, Charles Wayne, 1944-1968 – Relating to
 Graves, James Eddie, 1947-1968 – Relating to
 Green, Jeffrey Wallace, 1943-1968 – Relating to
 Hays, Bobby Lee, 1938-1967 – Relating to
 Herald, Sherrill Newton, 1945-1968 – Relating to
 Jackson, Michele Lee, 1951-1969 – Relating to
 Kendall, Coley Lee, 1926-1971 – Relating to
 Kuhlenhoelter, Jimmy, 1948-1969 – Relating to
 Miller, John William, 1944-1966 – Relating to

Puckett, Roger Dale, 1947-1968 – Relating to
Roberts, Herman David, 1947-1968 – Relating to
Rutherford, Ernest Wayne, 1947-1968 – Relating to
Sanders, Elzie, Jr., 1947-1967 – Relating to
Shrum, Leon Jerry, 1946-1968 – Relating to
Sweatt, George Edward, 1949-1968 – Relating to
Vietnam Veterans Memorial – Washington D.C. – Relating to
Vietnam War, 1961-1975 – Casualties

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