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PEACE IN PATRIOTISM

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Last March, I had the pleasure of returning to Vietnam with 12 unspoken heroes from the Vietnam War. As a participant in the Patriotic Education Travel Program, my life was impacted in three major ways.

First, I was impacted as an American. It is a privilege and honor to recognize the acts of service of those who fought in Vietnam. I believe any serviceman or servicewoman who has sacrificed their own freedom to make our nation great deserves that recognition.

Second, I was impacted as a student. For the trip, I was originally paired with Col. John Clark, U.S. Air Force. He was shot down on March 12, 1967, in western Bien Hoa Province in North Vietnam.



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