

## Vietnam Veterans of America

Sam Ransdell Burney Hardware owner is presented flag by Mike Pusillo, VVA Chapter 966, West End, NC member



The local chapter of the Vietnam Veterans Of America which meets monthly at the community center on the West gate has been instrumental in the success and building of the Wall Of Honor. Always there we when need them!

Last year their members donated a very expensive granite bench to sit upon and reflect that was installed adjacent to the black granite wall inscribed with one 350 names of local Veterans. Already this year they have donated \$500 to the foundation and many members played and supported the recent 1st Annual Golf Tournament. With the Fall Classic Golf Tournament their members are already registering to play.

VVA CHAPTER #966 welcomes all their brothers and sisters who served in Vietnam between February 28, 1961 and May 7, 1975, or in any duty location between August 5, 1964 and May 7, 1975. Joining VVA allows you to connect with other veterans, stay

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## **About The U.S. Space Force**

Moore County, NC

The U.S. Space Force was established Dec. 20, 2019 when the National Defense Authorization Act was signed into law (with bipartisan support), creating the first new branch of the armed services in 73 years. The establishment of the USSF resulted from widespread recognition that Space was a national security imperative. When combined with the growing threat posed by nearpeer competitors in space, it became clear there was a need for a military service focused solely on pursuing superiority in the space domain.

For the last 60 years space capabilities have become essential to the way a modern military conducts operations. Investments in space capabilities have increased the effectiveness of operations in every other domain. The U.S. military is faster, better connected, more informed, precise, and lethal because of space.

The same premise—that space is critical—holds true for the average American; space capabilities are woven into the fabric of

daily life. Satellites connect people in every corner of the globe, monitor weather patterns, carry television broadcasts, and the timing and navigation services of the GPS constellation power global financial networks, enable international commerce, synchronize cell phone networks, and optimize critical infrastructure.

Access to and freedom to operate in space underpins our national security and economic prosperity. However, space is no longer free from conflict. Potential adversaries are seeking ways to deny the U.S. access to the space capabilities fundamental to our way of war

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and modern way of life. They have developed an array of threats, both on Earth and in orbit, that continue to grow in scope, scale, and complexity.

Today, the Guardians of the USSF have been called to protect and defend American interests and to ensure our forces, our allies, and the world never experience a day without space. They serve across the globe, working 24/7 to design, acquire, field, test, operate, and defend the critical space systems the nation, and the world, rely upon.

They stand ready, every day, "Always Above."