

September 24, 2011

Dear Jim,

This five hundred dollar donation to Never Forgotten Honor Flight is being made in loving memory of my uncle, Harry T. Long, better known to me as Uncle Harry. Uncle Harry's military career spanned three wars on three continents; World War II, Korea and Viet Nam. In World War II Uncle Harry served in the First Ranger Battalion, completing tours of duty in North Africa and Italy, including both Sicily and the landing at Anzio. He also served at the Battle of Cisterna, a battle that devastated the First Ranger Battalion, leaving hundreds dead, hundreds more captured and only about 15 Rangers, including Uncle Harry, escaped alive. Upon returning from Cisterna he was immediately hospitalized with trench foot, and in 1944 left the service.

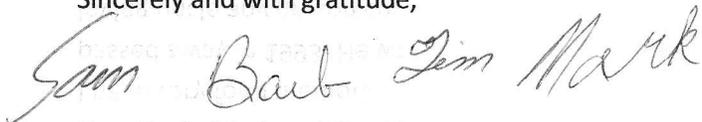
Despite witnessing all the horrors of war, and seeing first-hand the kind of risk our servicemen and women face on a daily basis, Uncle Harry would once again join the ranks of the armed forces, joining the Air Force in the mid 50's. He served as a Staff Sergeant and Supply Sergeant at Goose Bay Labrador building Radar Stations, and continued serving through the conflict in Vietnam. Stationed at the Tan Son Nhut airbase, Uncle Harry again served as the Supply Sergeant and was on the front lines of the Tet Offensive of 1968.

I have very fond memories of my Uncle, who passed away in 1993. He was the kindest, most loving uncle any person could have, and I still have a necklace he brought back for me from Viet Nam. My husband Sam and son Mark were privileged to meet my Uncle Harry, but unfortunately he died a year before my other son Tim was born.

My Uncle prided, above all else, faith, family and service to one's country, and Uncle Harry exemplified a life of dedicated service to a cause greater than himself. I know he would want to make sure that all who served would have the opportunity to see the memorials constructed in their honor, even though they would not exist for years after he passed away. It is for this reason, and as a memorial to my Uncle's lifetime of service and sacrifice in the

Armed Forces, that we are making a donation to the Never Forgotten Honor Flight, to honor not only my Uncle, but all that have so generously given a part of their lives to make ours one of freedom.

Sincerely and with gratitude,



Sam, Barb, Mark and Tim Morgan

