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REUNION IX~2014

The Ninth Annual Charlie Company Reunion was held again at the Hilton Cincinnati Airport in Florence, KY on June 6 & 7, 2014. There were 75 of us having a great weekend that seemed to fly by! We had seven vets attend the reunion for the first time: Ben Wilson, Doug Baker, Dwight Cole, Harry Benich, Ken Griesman, Mike Olshefski and Richard Scott! Also attending with these vets were Joyce Wilson, Mary Baker, Sharon Cole, Marsha Benich, Filippa Griesman. Ronnie Williams son, Nathan; Roland Watts grandson, Ari Foster; Ken and Filippa's nephews, Anthony & Fabpriezo; and friends of Eddie & Maggie Daniels, Willie & Arceola Copeland, were also new to the reunion.

One special guest who is not a first timer and wasn't even in the Army but was a Marine in WWII was Ms. Grace! Patty and I received a sweet card from her (I doubt if we were the only ones as she loves to write) saying how much she enjoyed being with Charlie Company again! It's a mutual adoption... we love seeing her each year too.

Our official photographer, Milt Houghton, has sent his photos and they are posted on our website. If you have pictures you'd like posted, please send them to be included with Milt's.

Other reunion pictures are on *Facebook*. Tony Nunes has set up a closed group on *Facebook* <**C 120**> for Charlie Co. members only. Pat Bingham has set up a group for the ladies <**C 1/20 Charlie's Angels** > so check these out if you're on *Facebook* but not already a member.

We have the Hilton booked for our **Tenth Annual Reunion** on June 5 & 6, 2015 and the tearoom reserved Saturday. The golfers/hecklers will be out that morning. The Hilton's price is still \$85 per night and is good 3 days before and 3 days after the event. **Mark your calendars!**

Reunion note from Marsha (Harry) Benich

My husband Harry is incredibly grateful to have spent time with (John Loeb & Richard Rey) and reconnect after so many years. Richard tracked him down within the last year and they met up a couple times before the reunion. The last correspondence Harry had with John was over thirty years ago. This reunion was our first. Meeting and exchanging with the rest of the "guys" has been a huge step in his healing process. He has never been willing to openly acknowledge his service before. John brought him this Viet Nam Veteran cap and he has been wearing it ever since. My description of our reunion experience was joyful, comforting, touching, heart-warming, heart breaking and sorrowful all in one. But we both agree, overwhelmingly joyful thanks to everyone's welcoming spirit.

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CHARLIE'S ANGELS Back/L-R: Liz Unterberger, Arceola Copeland, Kathy Craig, Lynn Bottorff, Patty Stinnett, Joyce Wilson, Marsha Benich, Sharon Cole, Peggy Ciula, Peggy Rasmussen, Pat Bingham, Judy Roehrs, Beverley Houghton, Chris Dove, Beverly Nunes, Patsy Yother, Rey-Rey, Julia Chisholm. Front/L-R: Maggie Daniels, Filippa Griesman, Mary Baker, Carol McClaughry, Cindy Welegala, Grace Eckels, Denise Vannatta, Minerva Adam, Brenda Tucker, Ursula Yelenovic, and Teresa Ray.



FIRST PLATOON Back/L-R: John Loeb, Harry Benich, Richard Rey, Front/L-R: Ken Griesman, Richard Stone, Tony Nunes, Mike Dove, and Doug Baker.



SECOND PLATOON Back/L-R: Dan Malin, Andrew Adam, Mike Olshefski, Ben Wilson, Mike Yelenovic, and Mike Stinnett. **Front**/L-R: Dennis Roehrs, Nate Hutchinson, Wayne Rasmussen, Mike Feltes, Bryan Ciula and Chuck Unterberger.



THIRD PLATOON Back/L-R: Dwight Cole, Tony Puglia, Chris Walker, Roland Watts, Chuck Welegala and Ronnie Williams. **Front**/L-R: Ronnie Ray, Tim McClaughry, John Bottorff, Milt Houghton, Dave Wantland and Rick Tucker.



MORTARS/4TH PLATOON L-R: Dennis Yother, Al Blosser, Eddie Daniels, David Craig, James Chisholm, Mike Bingham and Royal Vannatta