## After Action Report Colorado Freedom Memorial 25 May 24

Arrived at 0645 to find the HWM in place and ready for displays to be set up. Those participating were: Bill Bates, Rick Beaver, Carlo and Barbara Cavalluzzi, Phil Lanphier, Terry Olson, James (Wick) Clark.



The City of Aurora provided a quiet generator for our electrical needs. The provided generator ran about an hour then ran out of gas. Luckily Bill had brought a gallon and electricity was restored in minutes and was uninterrupted for the rest of the day.

The crowd touring the HWM was estimated 250 to 275. Included was a number of active duty and veteran personnel. Several people after seeing the displays and talking with docents were visibly emotional. All of the visitors complimented favorably on the displays and our mission of keeping the Vietnam War alive to everyone. Donations reflected the visitor's appreciation and one visitor left \$100.00. Many thanks to our generous donors. All and all the visitors showed as much care and reverence as the docents did. The HWM was full of visitors before the opening and continued until after closing.

That's Wick Clark below teaching a visitor how to fly a Huey Helicopter.





The band leader of <u>Bianca and the Flyboys</u>, a 30's and 40's jazz band, invited everyone in our group to a gig at Forney Museum in October. In appreciation she said, admission would be free to everyone in our group. Bill will contact her and firm up all the details in September.



