

OC24-69, 50th Company, December, 2025 – AT EASE!!

Hello 50th Company:

This month's newsletter will be short due to the pressing rush of getting ready for the holidays.

I hope that everyone is doing well and staying warm. Especially, our buddies back east.

2026 Reunion: Drum roll, please. We have the city and the approximate time frame for our 2026 reunion. The Planning Group decided after evaluating eight potential cities to hold our next reunion in Santa Fe, New Mexico, around the middle of September 2026. This decision was made on the following criteria: ease of getting to Santa Fe; attractions; weather; and relative cost of hotels. We feel that this reunion will be one of our best, so if it is at all possible, please consider joining us for another memorable event. You will be hearing many more details from our Commo Team in the near future but for now, please just keep it in mind. As we age, we are not sure how many more reunions we can have so don't miss out on this experience. Especially if you have never attended one. I guarantee that you will not go away disappointed.

Comrades in Distress: This past month I have learned of four of our classmates and their families going through a difficult time due to illness, surgery or death of a family member. I have communicated with all four classmates, and I am happy to report that they all have that 50th Company indomitable spirit and are pushing through it. In the name of privacy, I won't publish their names but would ask each of you to keep all of our classmates going through difficult times in your thoughts and/or prayers for the strength to overcome. I am afraid that as we all move into being "senior candidates" that more and more of us will be experiencing difficult health issues or family deaths and can use all the positive thoughts and prayers that we can get.

HOLIDAY MESSAGE

This Christmas I have two wishes. First is that even if it is just for a few days, the world can have some peace and harmony. It seems as if everyone all over the world is either out and out fighting or can't get along with each other. Second, as our class ages I hope that we can maintain the strength and dignity that we have always had as an example to the younger generations. It seems to me that now, more than ever, they need our strength and positivity.

My New Year's resolution was thought of during our reunion in Alabama, where the friendliest people on earth live. This coming year I am going to try my best to be like the Alabamans that we met. I am going to strive to be lot nicer to everyone, from store clerks to my family and friends as well as try my best to be more receptive of divergent viewpoints. Maybe, just maybe, if each and every one of us tries a little harder, my Christmas wishes can come to fruition.

My wife, Suzie, and I would like to wish you all and your families a very Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and the best of New Years.

Stay Health, Stay Well, and above all else, Stay Positive.

Lou Lallo