



# Vietnam Veterans of America

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Dear VVA Chapter 421 Members,

The last time I reached out to you was to inform you that we were postponing our annual Day of Remembrance and POW/MIA Ceremonies services due to the ongoing Pademic Crisis. We were hoping that given enough time conditions would improve to a point where we could safely conduct these sacred events.

Unfortunately, there does not seem to be enough light at the end of the tunnel and we now feel it necessary to put these ceremonies on hold until 2021.

I have conferred with my Executive Board and Board of Directors on this and they all agree that this is the proper course of action to ensure the safety and well-being of all.

There is however, some good news I can share with you. The two new monuments (History of Vietnam and Agent Orange) are finished and will be added to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park in the near future. A ceremonial unveiling and dedication of the monuments will take place as soon as we turn the corner with the crisis we are currently facing.

Stay well, Stay safe.

Respectfully,

Gene DiGiacomo  
President, VVA Chapter 421

