

# To All Vietnam Veterans



VFW 3650 of Fayetteville, Ga. and Alison Chambers would like to invite all Vietnam Veterans to participate in **40 Years Later: A Heroes' Homecoming**

40 years ago, the men and women who served in Vietnam returned home and were grossly mistreated. While we can't undo the past, we would like to finally give these veterans the "welcome home" they deserved and should have received.

On September 28, 2013, there will be a parade through downtown Fayetteville followed by a program of speakers and period music at the Southern Ground Amphitheater. Our event is open to any Vietnam veteran - you do not have to be a resident of Fayette County. If you served in Vietnam, we want to say "thank you" and "welcome home" regardless of where you call home now.

The parade will start at 11:00 am from the Fayetteville Justice Center parking lot located at 1 Center Dr., Fayetteville, Ga. Transportation during the parade will be provided to veterans unless you have your own vehicle or float that you would like to enter into the parade. We also encourage individuals and groups to enter floats. After the parade there will be a welcome home program at the Southern Ground Amphitheater on Tiger Trail in Fayetteville.

If you would like to participate in the parade please see the attached parade application.

# 40 Years Later: A Heroes' Homecoming Parade

28 Sept. 2013 11:00 a.m.

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Entry (check one):

I am a Vietnam veteran and will need transportation in the parade. (Transportation to be provided by VFW 3650, sponsors, and community organizations)

I am a Vietnam veteran and will provide my own transportation in the parade.

(Check one) Car \_\_\_\_ Truck \_\_\_\_ Float \_\_\_\_ Motor Club \_\_\_\_ Motorcycle \_\_\_\_

I am an individual/organization and would like to build a float or donate a vehicle to support and/or transport Vietnam veterans.

(Check one) Car \_\_\_\_ Truck \_\_\_\_ Float \_\_\_\_ Motor Club \_\_\_\_

Are you willing to transport Vietnam veterans if asked? \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated Entry Length (in feet): \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

Special Request (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Staging Area: Fayette County Justice Center

Arrival Time for Parade Line-up: 9:00am

Please return Application ASAP to one of the following individuals:

Alison Chambers  
Chairman  
524 Saltlick Trace  
Peachtree City, GA 30269

Ron "Stubby" Stubbs, CMDR. VFW 3650  
Veterans Organizations Liaison  
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Riverdale, GA 30274  
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AHeroesHomecoming@gmail.com

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Please visit us on Facebook: [www.Facebook.com/AHeroesHomecoming](http://www.Facebook.com/AHeroesHomecoming)

## **IMPORTANT NOTES:**

**This parade is to honor our men and women who served in Vietnam and to give them the “welcome home” they should have received 40 years ago. As such:**

- \* Every person, car, and float participating in the parade must arrive at the staging site no later than 9:30 a.m. on 9/28/13. We will assign every entry a number, and the numbers will be on display at the staging area to facilitate the pre-parade line-up.**
- \* All entries must be supportive of the Vietnam veterans. No political statements will be tolerated.**
- \* All signs mentioning individuals or organizations must be supportive of the Vietnam veterans. For example, permissible signage might read: “My organization proudly supports our Vietnam veterans” or “My organization salutes Vietnam vets” or “My organization thanks the Vietnam vets for their service”. While we appreciate and encourage community involvement, this parade is about the men and women who served, and we want to keep the focus on them.**
- \* While we encourage political officials and candidates to enter floats as individuals, we respectfully ask that you do not include campaign signs on your float. You can use your name as mentioned above, but we want to keep the focus on our veterans for this event.**
- \* Though it will take place in Fayette County, GA the event is open to all Vietnam veterans.**
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- \* Transportation during the parade will be provided to veterans unless you have your own vehicle or float that you would like to enter into the parade. After the parade there will be a welcome home program at the Southern Ground Amphitheater on Tiger Trail in Fayetteville.**
- \* No throwing of candy or other items from floats or cars.**

**40 YEARS LATER: A HEROES’ HOMECOMING reserves the right to accept or deny any application or entry up to and including the day of the event. In consideration of this entry, I hereby waive all claims for myself and my heirs against the 40 YEARS LATER: A HEROES’ HOMECOMING, any representative, office, or official from any participating and/or sponsoring organization thereof for any injury or damage arising from the festival or any activity.**

**Participant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_**