

2018 Coos Bay Vietnam Veterans Lapel Pin Ceremony



Friday, May 18, 2018; 10:00 a.m.
Coos History Museum
1210 North Front Street
Coos Bay, Oregon 97420



1. What is the Vietnam Veteran Lapel Pin?

The Vietnam Veteran Lapel Pin is *"A Lasting Memento of the Nation's Thanks!"*

2. I was on active duty during the Vietnam War, but did not serve overseas. Am I still eligible for the lapel pin?

The Vietnam War Commemoration is providing Vietnam Veteran Lapel Pins to living U.S. military veterans who served during the Vietnam War period as a lasting memento of the nation's thanks. Living United States veterans who served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces at any time during the period of November 1, 1955 to May 15, 1975, regardless of location, are eligible to receive one lapel pin. Service Academy graduates who did not receive their commission prior to May 15, 1975 are not eligible for the lapel pin.

3. Do you require proof of service?

No, we do not need proof of service. We only ask that you provide your branch of service (during the 1955-1975 recognition period), and the years you were active duty during the recognition period for our after action report to the Vietnam War Commemoration Office.

We will read your name and branch of service during the pinning ceremony. We will not identify your rank, job/specialty, or your duty location.

4. What is the Schedule of Events?

0930 - 0950 Guests Seated, Color Guard Ready, Ceremony Begins
1000 - 1010 Color Guard Presents Colors/Pledge of Allegiance
1010 - 1015 Invocation/Moment of Silence
1015 - 1020 Greetings and recognition of veterans and distinguished guests
1020 - 1030 Vietnam War Commemoration Remarks
1030 - 1040 Veteran's Pin Presentation
1040 - 1050 Discussion about community service by active duty members
1050 - 1105 Discussion about women in the military
1105 - 1120 Discussion about the "I Am Not Invisible" Exhibit
1120 - 1130 Closing remarks and Benediction. Ceremony Ends
1130 - 1300 Refreshments and viewing of the "I Am Not Invisible" Exhibit

5. What is the appropriate attire for the event?

Civilians: Business Casual

Military: Uniform of the Day (Coast Guard: Tropical Blue w/Combination Cover)

6. Who is the point of contact for the event?

Senior Chief Tom Hines, Officer in Charge of Coast Guard Aids to Navigation Team Coos Bay is the primary point of contact for the event.

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