

The AC-119 Gunship Association



71st SOS



DENY HIM THE DARK



17th SOS



VENGEANCE BY NIGHT



18th SOS

AC-119 GUNSHIP ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER 2002

This is our first-ever newsletter. We realize not all of our members have computers or even if most do, not everyone goes on the internet. So in an effort to inform all members of what's happening, we will publish this newsletter at least yearly to keep you informed of our reunions and meetings. We will advertise merchandise the Association has for sale. There will be registrations for reunions, membership applications, and renewals. We will list our officers and other important contacts here. If enough members feel the need, we may publish this newsletter more often. Feel free to contact us, if you have something you would like to add to our publication.

PLEASE NOTE: THE AC-119 GUNSHIP ASSOCIATION IS NOW OFFICIALLY EXEMPT FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAX AS STATED AND APPROVED IN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE LETTER DATED 02 JAN 2002. ASSOCIATION OFFICERS HAVE COPIES OF THE LETTER.

Message from the Prez

Shadow and Stinger Brothers,

It is my pleasure and privilege to serve you as President of the AC-119 Gunship Association. Thanks to past president, Chuck James and his crew, the Association is airborne with gear up! The engines are roaring with power and there's a full load of fuel, ammo, and flares onboard.

Just like Southeast Asia where it took every man in the 71st, 17th, and 18th Special Operations Squadrons to accomplish assigned missions, every member of the AC-119 Gunship Association is essential to the preservation and betterment of the Association. As a member, your interest and participation in the Association is critical for the life and survival of the Association.

As a member, you can help solidify and improve the Association by attending reunions if possible, contacting and enlisting new eligible members, making suggestions, and communicating with me or any of the Association officers. The current crew of Association officers are working together to maintain present standards while preparing for Gunship Reunion III. Reservations have been made for Reunion III at the Eglin NCO Club for the weekend of September 27, 28 & 29, 2002.

Headquarters for our Reunion will again be the Sheraton Four Points Hotel. The hotel is located at 1325 Miracle Strip Parkway, Fort Walton Beach FL, telephone 800-874-8104. **When you make room reservations, be sure to tell them you are attending the AC-119 Gunship Reunion.**

I certainly want to recognize, commend, and thank our Website Master, Chief Bill Petrie. Through his expertise, we are able to communicate-at-will on the Internet. For those Stinger and Shadow personnel not on the Internet, we will communicate via USPS.

This December, we lost a Stinger Brother, Fred Graves. He was instrumental in rallying our gunship troops for our first-ever reunion in the year 2000 and consequently the formation of our Association. May his soul rest in peace knowing that his work on earth bore fruit.

Mark your "short-timer" calendar now for the last weekend in September, 2002. Plan to reunite with fellow-warriors both ground and flight crews and buddies who share the common bonds of the gunship brotherhood.

Any Time, Any Place
Dutch Payne

AC-119 GUNSHIP ASSOCIATION WEB SITE
<http://www.ac-119gunships.com/index.htm>

WHAT IS THE AC-119 GUNSHIP ASSOCIATION?

Formed during our first-ever AC-119 Gunship Reunion in October 2000, the AC-119 Gunship Association is a brotherhood of men who served with the 71st, 17th and 18th Special Operations Squadrons in Southeast Asia during The Vietnam War.

WHO CAN JOIN THE AC-119 GUNSHIP ASSOCIATION?

You are eligible for membership if you served with the 71st, 17th or 18th SOS as an Air Crew or Ground Crew Member, on the AC-119G Shadow or the AC-119K Stinger Gunships. There are also Associate and Family memberships available. Contact the Association Secretary for full information on all types of memberships available.

HOW DO I JOIN?

Obtain an application for membership in this newsletter or on the Association Website, fill out & submit the application to the Association Secretary, with a money order or check made out to *The AC-119 Gunship Association*. We offer an annual membership at \$20.00 per year or a lifetime membership for \$119.00.

WHAT ARE MY OBLIGATIONS AS A MEMBER?

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If you have concerns or questions, please contact any of the Association officers at:

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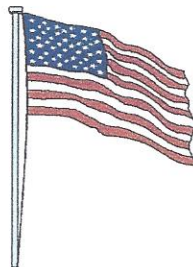


Congratulations! to AC-119 Gunship Association Officers for 2001-2002
(left to right) Art Perry, Jimmy Grant, Larry Fletcher and Dutch Payne.

In Memory of Our Fallen Airmen



*"But we shall be remembered; we few, we happy few, we band of brothers. For he today that shed his blood with me shall be my brother."
Shakespeare*



17th Special Operations Squadron

Major Bernard Knapic

Captain John H. Hathaway

Major Moses L. Alves

Major Jerome J. Rice

Staff Sergeant Abraham L. Moore

Major Merideth G. Andersen

First Lieutenant Thomas L. Lubbers

First Lieutenant Charles M. Knowles

Master Sergeant Joseph C. Jeszeck

Staff Sergeant Robert F. Fage, Jr.

Sergeant Michael J. Vangelisti

18th Special Operations Squadron

Staff Sergeant Clyde D. Alloway

Captain Terence F. Courtney

Captain David Slagle

Staff Sergeant Kenneth R. Brown

Captain Thomas R. Hamman

Vietnam

If you are able
Save for them a place
inside of you
and save one backward glance
when you are leaving
for the places they can no longer go.
Be not ashamed to say you loved them.
Take what they have taught you
with their dying
and keep it with your own.
And in that time when men decide and feel safe
to call the war insane,
take one gentle moment to embrace
those gentle heroes
you left behind.

*Major Michael Davis O'Donnell
1 January 1970
Dak To, Vietnam*

TO OUR BROTHERS WHO HAVE FLOWN THEIR LAST MISSION HERE ON EARTH



FREDRICK GRAVES 18th SOS FE
 CHARLES RAY SMOLINSKE 17th SOS FE
 EMILE L. JOHNSON 18th SOS FE
 VON LEAVITT 18th SOS 1stSGT
 JAMES E. CLEVINGER
 JAMES N. CHAPMAN 18th SOS
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 RICK L. WARD 18th SOS
 WILLARD (BILL) COLLINS 18th SOS
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 RICHARD (DICK) REILLY 18th SOS FE
 JIM MAY 18th SOS GUNNER
 (NEIL) MICHAEL FRIEL 18th SOS IO
 WILLIAM TALLAFERRO 17th SOS
 ED McCORMICK 17th SOS
 DON SOMERVILL 17th SOS
 JAMES JAMES 17th SOS PILOT
 JERRY BRIGHTMAN 18th SOS FE



NOTE: I FOUND THESE NAMES ON THE WEBSITE GUESTBOOK. IF YOU KNOW OF OTHERS, OR CORRECTIONS, DROP ME A LINE AT: edspro@juno.com 314-865-0920 Everett Sprou 3521 Salena St Louis Mo 63118-4024

AC-119 GUNSHIP ASSOCIATION LIFE MEMBERS

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|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| #1. FRED GRAVES * | #13. LARRY E. FLETCHER | #25. EUGENE A. LEE |
| #2. BILL PETRIE | #14. ART PERRY | #26. ROBERT C. FRETZ, SR. |
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| #12. WILLIAM MCINTYRE | #24. RON JULIAN | |

* Deceased

AC-119 GUNSHIP REUNION III

AGENDA

September 27-29, 2002

PLEASE REMEMBER, YOU MUST MAKE YOUR MOTEL RESERVATIONS SEPARATE FROM THE REUNION REGISTRATION. BE SURE TO TELL THEM YOU ARE ATTENDING THE AC-119 GUNSHIP REUNION.

Friday, September 27, 2002**1800 hours—BEACH PARTY**

Four points poolside patio—\$15 ea.

Hors d' oeuvres/Free Beer, Wine, Soft Drinks & Snacks at the Gunship Party Hootch.

Casual Dress, Swim & Party Suits

Saturday, September 28, 2002**0900 Hours**—Membership Meeting in Four Points Sheraton Hudson Hall**1100 Hours**—Charter bus departs main lobby entrance for memorial service and Naval Aviation Museum. Bus Fee \$10.00 ea.—includes driver tip, min # riders = 45

Return 1600 Hours. Carpoolers meet in Hotel Lobby.

1200 Hours—Memorial Service at Veterans Memorial Park, Pensacola**1200 Hours**—Departure—Ladies Shopping at Destin Outlet Mall

Carpooling—Meet in Hotel Lobby

Saturday Evening**1800 Hours**—Cocktails—Eglin NCO Club
Semi-formal Dress or Party Suit**1900 Hours**—Dinner \$25 ea.**2030 Hours**—Guest Speaker USAF Ret.
Col. Rusty Napier**2100 Hours**—Announcements/Hand in the
'Ice Bucket' followed by dancing to the
sounds of Stormin' Norman Evans**Sunday, September 29, 2002****1000 Hours**—Golf Tournament @ Eglin Course

Jim Bennes—Tourney Coordinator

\$10 Entry Fee for Prizes

\$25 Green Fee depending on rank, pay fee at Golf Course

Do Not send with Reunion Registration.FISHING TRIP information on local charters will be available at the Hotel
Registration Desk for those who want to fish.**1800 Hours**—Farewell BarBQ/Poolside Patio \$17 ea.

Music by Stormin' Norman

THE GUNSHIP PARTY HOOTCH WILL BE OPEN FROM NOON FRIDAY UNTIL SUNDAY AFTERNOON. The Association will again provide beer, wine, soft drinks and snacks.

Veterans Memorial Park, located at the corner of Bayfront Pkwy and Romona St. in Pensacola, is a half-size replica of the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial in Washington D.C.. It contains the names of Americans lost in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam War. Open 24 hours daily, Free. Phone (850) 456-0040

Sixteen of the names on the Wall belong to the 17th & 18th SOS.
National Museum of Naval Aviation, one of the largest Aviation Museums in the country, located at the south end of Navy Blvd on the Naval Air Station, Pensacola. Free Admission. Open Daily 9-5. Allow 1 hour 30 minutes minimum. Food is available. An IMAX theater has films every hour \$5.50. For senior citizens, military with ID and ages 4-12, \$5.25. Group rates available. Phone (850) 453-2389 or (800) 327-5002.

PLEASE NOTE: DO NOT SEND MOTEL RESERVATIONS WITH THIS REGISTRATION. ROOM RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE WITH THE MOTEL.

YES, I WILL ATTEND: (Check all that apply). Totals

<input type="checkbox"/> Beach Party \$15 ea	X's # attending	= \$
<input type="checkbox"/> Bus Fee \$10 ea	X's # attending	= \$
<input type="checkbox"/> Banquet Dinner \$25 ea	X's # attending	= \$
<input type="checkbox"/> Golf Tourney \$10 ea	X's # attending	= \$
<input type="checkbox"/> Farewell Bar-B-Q \$17 ea	X's # attending	= \$
	Total enclosed:	= \$

DEADLINE TO PAY IS SEPTEMBER 15, 2002

NAME: _____ Guest or Spouse's Name: _____

ADDRESS: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE: () _____ EMAIL: _____ FAX: () _____

OTHER GUESTS: _____

Make check or money order out to **AC-119 Gunship Association Reunion Fund** & send to:

AC-119 Gunship Association

Secretary Jimmy Grant

5048 Florence Street

Oakwood GA 30566

or call Jimmy at (770) 536-0860 or email at jamnjimi@bellsouth.net

THESE ARE SOME OF THE ENTRIES FROM THE GUEST BOOK ON OUR WEBSITE. AS TIME GOES BY & SPACE PERMITTING, WE WILL TRY TO PUBLISH MORE ENTRIES.

To all the old 17th Navs or anyone having access to the old mission tapes of the 17th combat missions. I just received two CD's converted from old mission tapes of the 17th from Dan McDuffe who spent a lot of time and effort formatting the old tapes to CDs. They were great and brought back a lot of memories. The big problem is that there seems to be few known or accessible mission tapes (Thanks to Larry Fletcher for the few we have to make more new CDs to save for HISTORY and the few of us from the 17th that would like to have for our own memory for what ever that is worth. If possible, would anyone out there have some hid away in an old shoe box. I would sure appreciate it for my own legacy and maybe some of my other comrades. Thanks in advance. Garry Gourley 17th SOS FE Tan San Nhut 70-71

Garry F Gourley <gfgourley33@hotmail.com>

Corpus Christi, TX USA - Monday, February 04, 2002 at 18:19:08 (EST)

I am looking for anyone who was on board aircraft tail number 53-8069, on May 7th, 1969 and remembers the slow primer explosion we had on gun one. I need e-mail or letters stating that I was hit with pieces of the casing, hot gases and gun powder, that we made a emergency return to Tan Son Nhut and I was taken to the base hospital. I need these for my one of my VA claims. My e-mail address is iwso@adelphia.net and my snail mail address is 1655 North 4th East, Mountain Home, Idaho 83647. My thanks in advance Bill

Bill Hamilton, Major, USAF, Ret <iwso@adelphia.net>

USA - Monday, January 28, 2002 at 16:33:12 (EST)

Sometimes I have no words for the loss of friends and fellow warriors. It is times like Fred Graves' passing that I leave the words to others. Fred was so much a part of our brotherhood. Fred may be gone from our midst but he certainly will never be forgotten. The passing of our friend Fred reminds of the following words I'd like to share with all in the AC-119 Gunship Brotherhood.... Eulogy for a Veteran Do not stand at my grave and weep. I am not there, I do not sleep. I am a thousand winds that blow. I am the diamond glints on snow. I am the sunlight on ripened grain. I am the Gentle autumn rain. When you awaken in the mornings hush, I am the swift uplifting rush of quiet birds in circled flight, I am the soft stars that shine at night. Do not stand at my grave and cry, I am not there, I did not die. author unknown May God hold you in the palm of his hand Fred Chief Master Sergeant Bill Petrie

Bill Petrie, CMSgt, USAF, Ret <RetCMSgt@aol.com>

Oklahoma City, OK USA - Friday, December 14, 2001 at 12:09:49 (EST)

For those of you who want to buy a copy of my novel, "Shadows of Saigon", I recommend Barnes and Noble Online Bookstore at www.bn.com. They have the best prices for soft cover and hard cover books. I bought a hard cover for \$25. plus shipping and received the book one week later. Your local bookstore can also order copies of the book. Author name on the book is Elton Fletcher. For those of you who have read the book, do me a favor and be a literary critic. Write an online review of the book at Barnes and Noble. Thanks to all for your support! After a great AC-119 Gunship Reunion this year, I'm already looking forward to next year's reunion III. Fletch

Larry Elton Fletcher <lfletcher@socket.net>

Lake Ozark, MO USA - Wednesday, October 24, 2001 at 11:24:42 (EDT)

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<http://www.ac-119gunships.com/welcome.htm>

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"THE SHADOW KNOWS"

BACK



17th SOS



LARRY ELTON FLETCHER
SHADOW PILOT
1969-1970
TAN SON NHUT VIETNAM



71st SOS

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17th SOS



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Contact:

Gus Sininger

206 Tooke St

Ft Walton Bch, FL 32547

Phone (850) 863-9649 or e-mail g.sininger@seii.net

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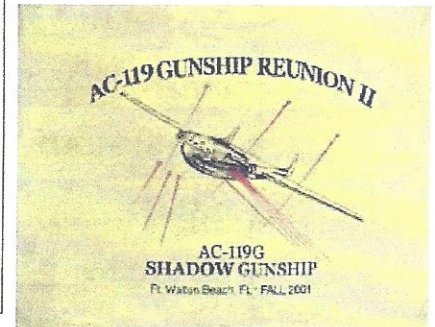
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BACK OF SHADOW REUNION II T-SHIRT



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AC-119 GUNSHIP REUNION
Ft. Walton Beach, FL * Fall 2000

17TH SOS
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18TH SOS

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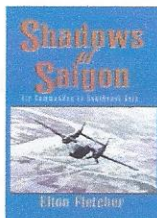
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Author and Former United States Air Force Captain, Dr. Larry E. Fletcher flew 177 combat missions as a pilot in AC-119 Shadow gunships during his tour of duty in Southeast Asia. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross with Oak Leaf Cluster and the Air Medal with eight Clusters. Nominated for Pacific Air Forces Outstanding Junior Officer of the Year, Fletcher was assigned to Fighting C Flight of the 17th Special Operations Squadron at Tan Son Nhut Air Base; Saigon, Republic of Vietnam.



The AC-119 Gunship Association



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18th SOS

HI AC-119 GUNSHIP BROTHER. WE WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO HAVE YOU JOIN OR RENEW IN OUR AC-119 GUNSHIP ASSOCIATION. THIS ASSOCIATION WAS CREATED FOR YOU. WHETHER YOU WERE AN AIRCREW MEMBER OR WORKED ON THE AC-119'S ON THE GROUND, WE WANT YOU IN OUR ORGANIZATION.

ANNUAL DUES ARE ONLY \$20.00 OR A LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP FOR ONLY \$119.00

PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK OR MONEY ORDER TO:

THE AC-119 GUNSHIP ASSOCIATION & MAIL TO:

JIMMY GRANT, SECRETARY

AC-119 GUNSHIP ASSOCIATION

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OAKWOOD GA 30566 or Call Jimmy at (770) 536-0860 OR email at jamnjimi@bellsouth.net

AC-119 GUNSHIP ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION OR RENEWAL

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION

I, _____, Hereby renew or apply for membership in the AC-119 Gunship Association and agree to abide with the By-Laws of the Association.

My Date of birth is (mm/dd/yy) _____

I served in combat with the (circle one) 71st SOS 17th SOS or 18th SOS

From _____, 19____ to _____, 19____

in (SEA) Southeast Asia as: (enter air or ground crew position) _____

ADDRESS: STREET : _____ CITY: _____

STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ E-MAIL: _____

PHONE: _____ FAX: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

Enclosed is my check or money order in the amount of \$20.00 for an annual membership or \$119.00 for a lifetime membership, made out to the AC-119 Gunship Association as a donation for my annual or lifetime membership dues.

MAIL TO:

JIMMY GRANT, SECRETARY

AC-119 GUNSHIP ASSOCIATION

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OAKWOOD GA 30566 or Call Jimmy at (770) 536-0860 OR email at jamnjimi@bellsouth.net

THE FIRING CIRCLE



OUR MISSION STATEMENT

To perpetuate the existence and names of three U. S. Air Force units that served in Southeast Asia (SEA) as effective combat forces during the Vietnam War, known as the:

71st and 17th (Shadow) and 18th (Stinger) Special Operations Squadrons.

To revere the memories of our fellow military ground and aircrew members whose lives were sacrificed in service to the United States of America and to comfort their survivors.

To renew and promote camaraderie among individuals who served in SEA with Shadow and Stinger, and with other personnel who contributed to the establishment and support of gunship development and operations.

To promote reunions and to engage in other activities approved by the members that are consistent with the aim of promoting the general welfare and enjoyment of Association members and their families.

To record, maintain, and preserve the history and details of Shadow and Stinger contributions in support of our Nation during the Vietnam War.

AC-119 GUNSHIP ASSOCIATION WEBSITE

<http://www.ac-119gunships.com/welcome.htm>

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