"We were Soldiers and oh so young"

By: Skypilot

I was reading a posting on Face Book earlier today about seven brave Americans who gave there life in "The War Against Terror" in Afghanistan. I think about the news clips on Television and articles on the Internet and think these brave men are just kids, probably not even knowing what it was they really are fighting for.

WHAM! Like getting hit with a Lighting Bold, that was me forty years ago. A kid not old enough to vote, or legally go into a bar and have a drink, yet old enough to go to a place called

Vietnam and be put in charge of eleven young men's life. Everyday being responsible for these guys, knowing I had to make sure they made it through another Recon. Supposedly old enough to decide to take another human's life which was against one of God's commandments or try to take them captive. You know when you really think about it, through the history of the world in all wars "THE WAR-RIORS" were always young. In better physical shape then the older men, most of the time.

In my opinion America has given more of her young "Warriors" in battle then any other country in the world, because every time another country becomes a target to the Hitler's and Bin Laden's of the world and America jumps to the aid and helps those people to a taste of freedom.

WAR is the most inhumane thing man can do against man, but as long as there are whacked out people in the world who think people should think like they do there will be wars and young men will die.

In history there have only been two men that have given their life's for mankind without regard of their own, one was "JESUS CHRIST" the other is the "AMERICAN FIGHTING MAN". SO as the man who posted on Face Book about his comrades getting Killed In Action, I too Salute those Warriors, as I did the Warriors I lost in Vietnam and all those Warriors who have died in the name of FREEDOM through the History of mankind.

In closing I ask that we stop for a moment or two each day and pray for all of the Americans in uniform for a quick, safe and speedy return home. We must also remember the Warriors who still have not returned from other wars, America's POW ~MIA and their families who wait everyday for news...... for closure.

Hope to see some of my readers when I'm at Twister this year. When you are traveling to and from the event please be safe and watch out for the other guy, because they sure aren't watching out for you. May the Great Spirit be with you.

Until next month " KEEP ON TRIKEN' " and thank you for reading our paper. God Bless Our Troops and America.

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