TWISTER #26 FOR WI VNV M/C

Well it was hard for me to believe it was time for Twister again when I was packing up to head out on July 20 Tuesday morning. We left the house in Pennsylvania, and first stop was about thirty-nine miles down the road to fill up at the Flying J with Diesel and the fresh water tank. From there to Fond Du Luc when I hear are you sure you don't want to pull over for the night. Which I calmly answered "HELL NO" we are only an hour and a half out. We rolled in at 0300 hours (3 a.m.) to those who are not used of military time.



Skypilot and DJ

As soon as I rolled around the area a Brother from Pennsylvania NA and Gray Fox meet me to get me backed in so we could get ready for some well deserved sleep. Well I start hearing about a storm that ripped through the day before and how NA had to go find his fold up canopy a 1/4 mile from his set up.

DJ the son of Preacher and Lorie Jensen from "Free

Riders Press" presented a flag flown over his unit and a certificate from his Commander that he brought back from his deployment. Ape the President of Wisconsin's Vietnam Vets M/C had all of us gather around for a ceremony to receive the flag and to Welcome this young Troop back home. Well all of us from different states of the Vietnam Vets and The U S Military Vets of Wisconsin gathered for the ceremony

It was a very proud moment for the two clubs and certainly for this young man who had returned back home. Afterwards DJ, his mom and I went over to chew the fat with one of today's "DEFENDERS OF FREEDOM".

The weather sure played with us all week a shower here one there, not enough to dry up the mud but enough to keep it a little less humid. As far as grounds go, in the six years that I've been going it was the smallest group I'd ever seen, but don't get me wrong we ripped and howled up a good party as we always do. I always say "If you leave Twister and didn't have a good time, it's your fault".

The "Living Statues" were back again and as always put on a very moving demon-

stration. I'm sure it open a lot of people who never served eyes and those who did it brought a tear to their eyes (it did mine).

I always enjoy going because a lot of times I'll meet Brothers and Sisters I hadn't seen in years. Speaking of Sisters. Sister Angel help arrange ceremony for Wisconsin's fallen Sisters, which has always impressed me, because a lot of states don't do it and come on Brothers you know if it were not



DJ presenting the Flag to the VNVMC

for our Ladies half of us would probably be in jail (just kidding), but they do help us a lot and I give the Brothers of Wisconsin credit for letting the Sisters do this. God Bless all "THE SISTERS".

This year I found out because of his health my Brother Hobbit is on a Trike now also. Why to go never give up or surrender, ride until you die.

I truly believe even if it was a little smaller crowd people really enjoyed themselves as always, great music, fantastic fireworks and a lot of love to go around for all.

Well I guess till next time " KEEP ON TRIKEN' " and from the CHEROKEE blood that flows through my veins "MAY THE GREAT SPIRIT ALWAYS BE WITH YOU AND YOURS'

As always I would like to finish with a request please pray for America's "DEFENDERS OF FREEDOM" my son included 1LT Todd Donaldson Army Airborne Ranger (just like dad was), for a quick and safe return home. Most of all let us not forget the past and forgotten "DEFENDERS OF FREEDOM" our POWs and MIAs. Also I request you flood the phone of Nancy Pelosi with phone calls to present HR 111 to the house this year. You can call 1-800-555-1212 and ask the operator for her number or ask your local resident. This way we can get this committee started that is long over do.

Take care, be safe and watch out for the cages because they aren't looking out for you. Thanks to all the Loyal Readers and I love you all. Skypilot



