

(Public Service Announcement)

June 2010

“Standing For Those Who Stand For Us!”

Normally, Michigan Patriot Guard members stand quietly in respect during honor missions. Today, we humbly request your assistance in getting out the following important message prior to the event and invite you to join us.

What: **LZ Michigan (Landing Zone Michigan) For Vietnam and Vietnam Era Veterans** will be a very touching event for our Vietnam veterans, their families, friends and our community. Vietnam veterans will come from across the state to gather in unity in Grand Rapids. As a community, we plan to welcome, recognize, honor, thank and support our Vietnam veterans. This patriotic event is not political or military. It is an extraordinary opportunity for our community to reach out in appreciation for their courageous service and selfless sacrifices, which came at tremendous cost.

While many will gather to celebrate freedoms gifted to us, many cannot. A ceremony will honor those who were killed in action, those still missing and unaccounted for as well as surviving Vietnam veterans, many of whom continue to suffer from injuries incurred in Southeast Asia or in silence.

The event will feature speakers, recognition, musical entertainment and video from the premiere of the moving Vietnam War Stories documentary.

The evening will close with fireworks.

When: July 3, 2010

Time: Gates open to public at 5:30 p.m.; event starts at 7 p.m.; fireworks at dark

Where: Grand Rapids Fifth Third Ballpark

We Invite: Every Vietnam veteran, veterans of all generations, their families, friends and the public

Tickets: Can be reserved at <http://www.lzmichigan.org> or call 1-800-442-2771 for assistance.
Complimentary tickets for Vietnam and Era veterans.
\$10 each family and community member.
Free for children under three (must sit on lap of parent or guardian).
\$2 handling fee on all tickets, including complimentary.
ADA needs call 1-800-442-2771.
Overflow capacity possible, please order early.
All ticket sale proceeds will support programming at LZ Michigan.

For detailed information on this and additional events (like the LZ Michigan Motorcycle Rally starting at the Deltaplex at 1 p.m.; "Thunder Patrol" in front of the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans; the G.V.S.U. run for hats for veterans, sponsors, etc.), please visit the following sites:

<http://www.lzmichigan.org>

This link has indepth information, including event details, sponsors, costs, additional events, etc.

<http://tinyurl.com/MIPGR-External-Calendar>

Go to the Michigan Patriot Guard calendar, click July 3 for more details.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aWdm-XsMgg>

A youtube video describing the event.

If you do not have access to the web, please call 1-800-422-2771 or Sam Cottle, Michigan Patriot Guard, State Captain, on his cell phone at 1-989-906-6558. Thank you for your assistance. It is deeply appreciated by many.