Updated Honor Guard details: 25 Sep 19

1) I have in my possession the six white polo shirts, 2 berets one each for Bob Martin & Ed Svitil, one 1st Lt. bar for Bob Martin and six Honor Guards pins for the berets.

( Ernie, Luc and Joe have berets from the 45th just need to attach rank insignia / Ed needs to bring rank insignia)

2) Honor Guard uniform: White Polo with US Army Crest/ Veteran, Black Beret with Rank insignia & Honor Guard Pin, Black trousers (Navy Blue trousers as an alternate) and black shoes

3) Meet in hotel lobby on Saturday morning at 9:00 AM for Honor Guard photograph

4)Depart Hotel via hired bus along with reunion attendees to Vietnam Veterans Memorial Saturday at morning 9:30 AM… boarding time 9:15 AM

VVM is 3 miles / 7-10 minutes from the hotel

5) At drop off point on Constitution Ave at VVM Park two Honor Guards (myself and Luc Quinson just volunteered) will retrieve the wreath at the kiosk.

Joe Tavares will escort the attendees to Area 5 where the ceremony will be performed

6) Reading of the Poem – Joe Tavares

7) Reading of the 1st Platoon deceased names – Joe Tavares & Ed Svitil follow by 9 Tolling Bells Rings

8) Reading of 2nd Platoon deceased names – Bob Martin who offered to alternate with Ernie Zelenka following by 11 Tolling Bell Rings

9) Permit for wreath laying has been issued allotting 20 minutes to conduct the ceremony starting at 10:00 AM ending at 10:20 AM

(reading of the poem, 20 names and bell tolling 20 rings will take less than 5 minutes so the 20 minute allotted time is more than sufficient)

10) Escorting the wreath from Area 5 to the Apex of the Wall. (Honor Guard escort restricted to 5 Honor Guards the remaining Honor Guard will guide the group to the Wall).

11) Return to Sheraton via reunion hired bus with fellow attendees.