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America's Gold Star Children from the Vietnam War Since 1989

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2023 IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

Care

We offer our members a sense of belonging, understanding and access to resources to promote wellness.

Community

We are committed to providing innovative solutions that will help create a better tomorrow *Members in* for all generations of Gold Star Families.



Connections

Our organization strives to bring members together and celebrate the legacy of our loved ones. We work with partners to promote wellness and foster a sense of camaraderie among our community.

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50 States

Spring

SDIT assisted in planning the Vietnam War Veterans Day ceremony, which involved pinning over 250 veterans at the Wall VWC.



SDIT collaborated with the Vietnam War

Commemoration to provide free photos during the "Camp Legacy" event on the National Mall. Veterans and families were given pictures with the message "Welcome Home!"





City Adventure embarked on the inaugural 'City Adventure' with the Gary Sinise Foundation in which 20 Gold Star 'Sons and Daughters' traveled to Nashville, TN for three days of surprise adventures.

SDIT collaborated with wear blue run 2 remember to display posters of 200+ casualties of the Vietnam War around the reflecting pool on the National Mall



Washington Nationals - six Gold Star 'Sons and Daughters' were honored in a pre-game ceremony by the Washington Nationals in which 30,000 fans watched a video message about the story of SDIT.





Gold Star Families Memorial Monuments - to support ongoing efforts of the Woody Williams Foundation, members of the SDIT community serve on the planning committees working towards the dedication of these monuments across the nation.





Veterans Day – joined scores of other VSOs and MSOs for the 'Parade of Flags' at ANC and placed a wreath at the Wall on behalf of the entire SDIT community.



Salute to Service – partnered with several professional football teams to share with hundreds of thousands of fans the video story of the 50th anniversary of culminating events of the Vietnam War; some teams hosted Gold Star Families from the SDIT community during their Salute to Service games.



Winter

White House Gold Star Tree Ornaments -15 Gold Star Families from the SDIT community were honored by having their father's inscribed on ornaments placed on the Gold Star Tree in the White House during the Christmas holiday season.







Join us on a journey of honor and service

580 Chapters



SDIT partnered with more than 20 Veteran Service Organizations to inform and pay tribute to Veterans and their families. They distributed 580 chapters nationwide with materials for the 50th Vietnam War Commemoration.





The Daughters of the American Revolution hosted a film screening event that showcased **six** films produced by Gold Star Daughters and Sisters affected by the Vietnam War. These films highlighted the stories of servicemen who were either killed, missing, or taken captive during the war.







In recent years, there has been a groundbreaking shift in the way we understand and support the children of fallen heroes. This revolutionary research is paving the way for a brighter future for these older individuals who have faced such profound loss. By delving into the unique challenges they face and the support systems that can best help them thrive, this research is not only honoring the legacies of their fallen loved ones but also providing invaluable resources for generations to come. Through this work, we are fostering a community of strength, resilience, and hope, ensuring that these children can reach their full potential and make meaningful contributions to the world.



Strategic Partners: VVMF, Woody Williams Foundation, AWON, Wear Blue, TMF







Casework- SDIT serves a crucial role in providing assistance and aiding individuals in obtaining information about their father's military service. Their efforts represent a valuable resource during times of need.



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