

# ROLL CALL

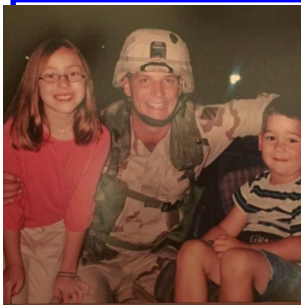
## March 2023 Newsletter

**RSVP By Friday, March 17th—[www.roll-call.org](http://www.roll-call.org)**

## LUNCHEON—Friday, March 24th

**NOTE: THE LUNCHEON IS THE 4TH FRIDAY, NOT THE LAST (SO NOT ON MARCH 31ST!)**

### MARCH LUNCHEON SPEAKER—Randy Nantz



SFC(R) Randy Nantz enlisted in the Army after 9/11/01, and after completing basic training at Fort Benning, GA, he reported to the 3rd Infantry Division located at Fort Stewart, GA. In January of 2003, he deployed to Kuwait to prepare for the Iraq invasion. After the initial phase of Iraq was over, he redeployed back home on August 25, 2003.

He then went to SFAS, Special Forces selection course in January of 2004 and successfully graduated as a Communications Sergeant in March of 2006. SFC Nantz reported to the 5th Special Forces Group Airborne and deployed back to Iraq in August 2006.



On December 22 of 2006, while patrolling on a reconnaissance mission, Baghdad Jadida, Baghdad, Iraq, an Explosively Formed Projectile (EFP), a devastating roadside bomb, struck the Humvee he was riding in. SFC Nantz sustained 22% Total Body Surface 3rd-degree burns, considerable muscle tissue loss, and severe nerve damage, ultimately leading to a lower left leg amputation. To date, he has undergone four amputations on the same leg and around 20 other surgeries from the initial injury to now.

Today, Randy gives back to his community by working with the Adaptive Training Foundation to mentally and physically train other Veterans and Civilians alike with life-altering disabilities to regain living life again by showing them they too can #defy impossible.



### UPCOMING LUNCHEON

April 28—On Base—Bill Parker, WWII

May 26—Jim Sharp, Korea

June 23—Dr. Eugene Richardson Jr, WWII Tuskegee Airman

**As a reminder: Only service animals may be brought into the luncheon.**



Please use the new RSVP system! Go to [www.roll-call.org](http://www.roll-call.org), look below the main picture/mission statement, click the blue "RSVP" button. Takes about 5 seconds!

NOTE: If you get a message that says you cannot RSVP due to Feb being closed, either use a different browser or clear your cookies in your settings. The computer remembers when you last logged in so it has the old link.

For those receiving the newsletter via the U.S. mail system, please call or text 817-507-5879 to RSVP. Leave a message.

*Traveling Vietnam Wall*  
Come experience "the wall that heals"

### Bringing the COST of FREEDOM TRIBUTE

To Wise County

March 28 to April 2, 2023

Wise County Fairgrounds, 3101 FM 51, Decatur, TX  
Exhibit open 24 hours – FREE Admission – FREE Parking



**Tuesday, March 28:** Motorcycle Escort ride ending at the Wise County Fairgrounds in Decatur

**Wednesday, March 29:** Wall setup; Cost of Freedom Exhibit Opening Ceremonies 2:00

Recognition of fallen Wise County Veterans from the Vietnam War

Information booth open from 8 am to 8 pm with locators to find your Veteran

**March 29 is National Vietnam Veterans Day**

**Thursday & Friday, March 30 & 31:** All School field trips are encouraged

**Friday, March 31:** Recognition for Law Enforcement, Fire Fighters & EMS in the afternoon 3:00

**Saturday, April 1:** Special day for ALL Veterans. Guest speakers

**Sunday, April 2:** Ride to the Memorial; Closing Ceremony 3:00

#### Cost of Freedom Tribute consists of:

- **Traveling Vietnam Wall (144 panels)**
  - Casualties Names (140 panels)
- **Afghanistan & Iraq Warrior Tribute (34 panels)**
  - Casualties Names (29 panels)
- **911 Tribute (12 panels)**
  - Tower Casualties (6 panels)
- **1914 – 1968 (8 panels)**
  - World War I (1 panel)
  - World War II (1 panel)
  - Korean War (1 panel)
  - Vietnam War (1 panel)
  - Cold War (3 panels)
  - USS Pueblo (1 panel)
- **1979 – 1989 (8 panels)**
  - Iran Hostage (1 panel)
  - El Salvador War (1 panel)
  - USMC Beirut (1 panel)
  - Grenada Invasion (1 panel)
  - Libya Air Attack (2 panels)
  - USS Stark Attack (1 panel)
  - Panama Invasion (1 Panel)
- **1990 – 2012 (8 panels)**
  - Desert Storm/Shield (2 panels)
  - Somalia (1 panel)
  - Khobar Towers (1 panel)
  - USS Cole Attack (1 panel)
  - Fort Hood Attack (1 panel)
  - Benghazi (1 panel)
  - PTSD (1 panel)



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Facebook: [Honor & Sacrifice. American Veterans Traveling Tribute](https://www.facebook.com/Honor&Sacrifice.AmericanVeteransTravelingTribute)

Hosted by Wise County Veterans Group

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**Wise County Veterans Group**

**The luncheon is held at Birchman Baptist Church, 9100 N. Normandale, Fort Worth, 1130-1330.**

**Plan to arrive early! It gets very full by 1100.**

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