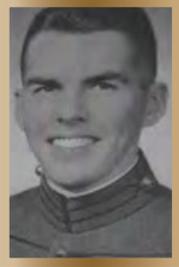




3rd Annual Fundraising Gala *Saluting Stories of Service*

March 5, 2022

Hilton Scottsdale Resort & Villas
www.veteransheritage.org/salute



Frank Lambert will receive the **2022 Storyteller Award**. Since 2011, Frank has shared stories of dedication and service to our country with VHP students, helping to develop the character of youth through his life lessons. After Frank graduated from West Point in 1964, he attended Airborne and Ranger Training and Jungle Survival School until assigned Company Commander of Co. D, 5/7, 1st Cavalry Division in Vietnam, where he earned the Silver Star, the Soldier's Medal, 3 Bronze Stars w/V and two Purple Hearts. VHP students captured his story for publication in *Since You Asked VII*.™



Frank shares a bond with our **Special Guest, LTC (Ret.) James "Mike" Sprayberry**. In April 1968, Frank and men of 1st Platoon were wounded and separated from the main body of the Company. A daylight attempt to rescue them was driven back by heavy fire. As the Executive Officer of Company D, Mike organized and led a volunteer nighttime rescue mission. Throughout the 7 1/2 hour ordeal, Mike repeatedly charged and neutralized enemy bunkers, without regard for his own safety, resulting in saving the lives of his fellow soldiers. For his bravery and action beyond the call of duty, Mike received our nation's highest military decoration, the Medal of Honor.

Veterans Heritage Project (VHP) is a growing 501(c)(3) non-profit that Connects Students with Veterans in order to Honor Veterans, Preserve America's Heritage, and Develop Future Leaders.

Our Program



In our award-winning after-school program, students interview U.S. military veterans who share their stories of service, life experiences, and the resulting lessons they wish to impart to the next generation.

- Oral history interviews preserved in the Library of Congress
- Student-published hardbound book, *Since You Asked*™
- Regional community book receptions to honor veterans
- Veteran presentations
- Civic engagement activities
- College scholarships

Our Reach



Funds raised will allow additional students and veterans to benefit from our program. VHP's vision is to become a national model for civics and character education, doubling program locations in Arizona and expanding to additional states by 2025.

Annually Serving

- 26 Arizona & 4 Florida schools
- 7th grade through college
- 13,000 students
- 300 veterans

Since 2004 Founding

- 2,426 veteran interviews
- 2,565 chapter students
- 52,907 lecture students

Our Impact



Your support helps students reach their potential through character development, leadership skill building, academic skill strengthening, and, bonds our community through increased patriotism and civic engagement.

- 100% of students graduate
- 90% increase leadership, academic, and 21st century skills
- 85% develop a mentoring relationship with a veteran
- 25% of veterans tell their story for the first time
- 62% find the interview process cathartic