

## **Message for National Servicemen**

The purpose of this message is to advise you that as a National Serviceman you are entitled to two medals and that a memorial will be dedicated at the Australian War Memorial in Canberra on 8 September 2010.

All National Servicemen are entitled to the following medals irrespective as to whether they served overseas or completed their service entirely in Australia.

The two medals are;

The Australian Defence Medal (ADM), and  
The Anniversary of National Service Medal (ANSM).

If you do not have the two medals listed above and you would like to apply for the medals I can provide you with details and or copies of the respective application forms.

Please note, there is a special application form for the ADM.

In regards to the National Service Memorial at the Australian War Memorial?

The Governor General will unveil a memorial at the Australian War Memorial in Canberra on Wednesday 8 September 2010.

The memorial will be dedicated to the 212 National Servicemen who sacrificed their lives while serving overseas and to honour the contribution made by all National Servicemen who served our country.

The details I have presented above were supplied to me in a letter from Ian Macfarlane MP. Federal Member for Groom.

In addition to the two medals listed above for your service in Vietnam with 161 (Indep) Recce Flt you are also entitled to the following medals and badge;

The Australian Active Service Medal (1945-1975) with Vietnam Bar,  
The Vietnam Medal, and  
The Army Combat Badge, if you were posted to the Flight for more than 90 days.

If you were in country for more than six months you will also be entitled to the Vietnamese Campaign Medal.

If you need any further information regarding your entitlements to medals please do not hesitate to ask and we will assist you if we can.

If you are in contact with any National Servicemen who are not on our 161 distribution list could you please pass on a copy of this message to them.

This message has been posted to all National Servicemen listed on our 161 Nominal Roll.

Regards  
Len Avery