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Hello, I am Joanne Reynolds.

I appreciate very much, what this committee is trying to do for Vermont veterans who served in and around the burn pits!

Thank You

I served in Vietnam, as an Army Nurse, arriving in Long Bing, Vietnam 50 years ago last week.

I was very much exposed to Agent Orange. There was not a tree, a leaf or a blade of grass, on the base which I served on. The water, which we drank, and showered in, and our clothes were also washed in, was stored in a large open canvas container on stilts.

When I went to Vietnam at 23, I was very healthy physically and mentally. In the 80's I began having considerable health issues, which have continued to the present.

Why, I am here today? One veteran helps another Veteran.

Freedom is not Free!

Thank You