# Scottsdale Thanks Vietnam Veterans

## 11:30 a.m. Friday, March 29, 2024 Scottsdale Civic Center

Presented by the City of Scottsdale Veterans Advisory Commission

#### Program

11:30 a.m. Welcome and introductions Justin Layman, Vice Chair Scottsdale Veterans Advisory Commission

> Featured speaker: Patricia Little-Upah, Col., U.S. Army, Ret.

Noon Casual conversations with honored guests at the historic vehicle displays

Learn more about our featured speaker and honored guests on reverse.

12:45 p.m. Event concludes

Special thanks to the Veterans Heritage Project (VeteransHeritage.org)









### **Our Featured Speaker**

**Patricia Little-Upah - U.S. Army** retired in 2005 after serving 30 plus years in the United States Army Nurse Corps, retiring at the rank of Colonel. In 1968, she deployed to Vietnam where she was stationed with the 93rd and 95th Evacuation Hospitals. In 1991 she was reactivated from reserve duty and served with the 403rd Combat Support Hospital in Saudi Arabia during Operation Desert Storm. She ended her military career as Commander of the 6253rd United States Army Reserve Hospital. In 2012 she retired from nursing having served the last ten years as the CEO for Banner Behavioral Health Hospital in Scottsdale. She has earned many civilian and military awards, and was inducted into the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame in 2014.

#### **Today's Honored Guests**

Meet them at the vehicle displays and ask about their Vietnam service

**Charles "Chuck" Byers - U.S. Army** Chuck served in the United States Army from 1966 to 1972, serving as a combat medic in Vietnam from July 1967 to June 1968. He was in the 9th Infantry Division (2/60th) stationed in the Mekong Delta. Charles was wounded on June 1, 1968, and spent six months recovering from his wounds, after which he entered the Walter Reed Army Nursing program; he graduated in 1970. Chuck earned the Silver Star for his valor in Vietnam, and was inducted into the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame in 2018.

**David Lucier - U.S. Army** David was a member of the U.S. Army's Special Forces' "Mike Force," working in II Corps in Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia with Sedang Montagnards to halt enemy troops and materiel coming down the Ho Chi Minh Trail from North Vietnam. After his military service, David served as a civilian in Iraq and Afghanistan from 2003 to 2008; he was inducted into the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame in 2009.

**Bob Mountz - U.S. Army** Bob served as captain in United States Army Logistics combat support in Vietnam from 1967 to 1968. A battalion S-3 Operations Officer and later Company Commander, he retired as Lt. Colonel in 1987. Following his retirement, Bob moved to Arizona where he worked for Motorola, Orbital Sciences, and Honeywell Defense Systems. He has volunteered as a Kiwanis member, little league coach, and with high school booster clubs.