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Okay let me move it just a bit. Alright, there we go.

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Okay, we are recording the interview of Erlis Earl Morse. The interview is being conducted by David Morse from Wright State University Veteran Voices project.

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This interview is being recorded at his home in Fairborn, Ohio. It is 1:30 on the second of August, 2016.

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Alright, let's go ahead and begin with when and where you were born?

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I was born on the first of August in 1934 in Richwood, small town, Ohio.

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Okay and what were your parents names?

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My father's name is Joe, J-O-E not Joseph, J-O-E S: Sloan Morse: M-O-R-S-E and my mother was Velma Chrys, a maiden name and Velma Morse.

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Okay and what were their occupations?

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My mother never had an occupation, she was a housewife or whatever you call it and Dad, he did the different thing.

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I know he worked at a transit [inaudible] and Williams during the Second World War and what was I never got to go to were he worked,

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but he was a... they did a lot of building there in Alliance, Ohio. They did a lot of building and making parts for tanks and war material at this place.

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And then and then he was a carpenter at one time and then he did yards when he got older, worked in doing landscaping and stuff like that.

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And you had siblings, correct?

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Pardon?

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Siblings, brothers, sisters?

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Siblings, oh yes. I had seven sisters and three brothers

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How many did you have?

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I had seven sisters and three brothers

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Alright and did they ever serve?

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I had a brother, two brothers, no, well, my other... my one brother, they all three of my brothers were in the service.

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My brother Eldon was the youngest of the both... three brothers and he was in the service, the Air Force for a while

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and then got out and the particulars on that, I'm not sure why he got out there and

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And I had a brother, my oldest brother was Army in the Second World War. He fought in the Philippines

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And then I had a brother in the Navy and he was assigned to Brisbane, Australia and that's all I know about them.

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Right.

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They're older than me.

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Okay, what were you doing before you entered in the service?

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I was always working for the city of Alliance, Ohio. I had to get a job doing roadwork, whatever was needed within the city street department

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When I enlisted in the Air Force.

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Okay so you enlisted in the Air Force. What made you decide to enlist into the Air Force?

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Well actually I was going to go into the Navy and why, because I don't know. I had a brother in the Navy and then he came back and I thought he looked real cool

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in his uniform and so I was going to go into the Navy. And then there's a couple weeks before, I was at work at the department there in Alliance

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and this chap had got himself a dishonorable discharge from the Air Force and that's all I heard about that later, but he said "you don't want to go into the Navy, go Air Force

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and he got a bad conduct discharge for some reason and that's all I knew of him. I didn't know his name, anything about him,

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but he said "you want to go in the Air Force, you don't want to go in the Navy". So I said "fair enough".

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[laughing] Right.

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So I went in the Air Force in 1952.

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Wow, 1952, yeah. So when you enlisted, this was 1952, what was basic training? Where was your basic training?

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At Sampson Airbase in Upstate New York.

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Okay and do you remember much about your basic training?

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Oh I went through quite a bit. We had 12 weeks of basic and I think they get about 3 or 6 now,

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but we we did a 12-week basic and while was... I went in in September in Upstate New York was cool and damp and

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I ended up going into the hospital after I was in basic training for, I'd say in the neighborhood of 3 weeks and developed... I lost my voice and I

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and I ended up with acute laryngitis and a touch of pneumonia and was in the hospital, got shot up with penicillin for a month.

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Oh wow.

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And when I come out of there I had to go back into basic training, but it was at a different flight. They called them flights.

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Then my number went way down, so I ended up being in basic training up there, including the hospital, for like 4 months.

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Yeah, I had to do an extended stay in basic too. I ended up getting shin splints really bad, so I did a 2 week extension, their basic but I got through it as well.

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Do you remember any of your instructors in basic or at least any temperaments that you'd like to share from your instructors?

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My first one, I'll never forget the thick of it when I come back out of the hospital and he was kind of being mean.

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He did a number on my eye one time when I looked, I glanced over to him and he had his gloves on and he said... I just glanced over he said

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"you keep your eyes straight ahead" and he punched, did it with his finger on the side of my eye and he said "you keep your eyes straight ahead, soldier" or whatever.

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Yeah.

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He might have called me something else. But yeah, and I'll never forget his name: Deary

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I should... He even ran at attention. He would jog around, see what was going on around the area and he would run like he was at attention.

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I'll never forget a Sergeant Deary.

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That's good, so tell me about your training after that. Did you did you have any tech school or any sort of training after basic training?

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No, no training. I went to no tech school, but I did go to... went down to Georgia. That's where we went to, Georgia.

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And there's a story about that in regards to back to those days, it was pretty still pretty tough in the southern states and

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I think I mentioned this to you in regards to the train ride down there.

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Yeah, would you like to share about that?

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When I was traveling with a black gentleman and he and I got as far down as Washington DC on the train

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and when we got off the train there we were supposed to change trains and a conductor came up to us and they... well he,

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the black gentleman had to go to this car, the colored car and I said "now whoa," I said "we're traveling on orders

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and I said "we're supposed to stay together until the base in Georgia" and after fashion he said "okay go ahead, he can go with you".

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So we... and then that was an experience I'll never forget. Just being in the Southern States back in 19- that would be 1952.

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And they still had drinking fountains with "white" and "colored" on the public drinking fountains.

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So this was before the big civil rights movements there in Alabama, yeah.

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Yeah this 1952.

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Yeah.

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It was long back.

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Wow.

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And it was a shocker to be stationed down there and I think I mentioned when I was whether a snack bar and a bus drove up,

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it said Harlem Globe Trotters on the side of it and I was sitting there eating a sandwich and three or four black gentlemen got out of the bus and walked to the front of

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the store here where they had... you just ordered here at the front and he motioned, I see the guy inside motion for them, pointed and was saying something to him,

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made him go around the back to be served and that was a.. that's when I thought "Harlem Globe Trotters"

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I think they were coaches or it wasn't the team. It was only about 3 or 4 people and wanting a bite to eat.

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And that was shock to me about the South.

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So bit of a culture shock given that you were from Ohio.

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From Ohio, yeah where we didn't...

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You didn't have segregation.

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No, nothing like that.

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Okay, wow. Alright, so your first duty, was that in Georgia?

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Georgia, Turner Air Force Base.

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Turner Air Force Base.

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In Albany, Georgia

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Okay.

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That's where I first started out and I was in field maintenance. I was
aircraft, did aircraft up, any kind of painting, but mainly aircraft
painting --

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The USAF on aircraft and I was in the Strategic Air Command at that
place, at Turner Air Force Base

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and that's when they first came out with the fits with the... black fist
with the lightning and steel shield in a shield and

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I was a part of a crew that would put that on the side of the aircraft
when they first came out with it, the SAC emblem

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Wow, that's amazing and did you do... Now you've been in... how long were you in the military altogether?

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I did 20 years with regular.

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20 years with the Air Force, okay.

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'52 to '72.

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'52 to '72, wow, that is impressive, that is amazing and did you...

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Now you didn't... you start off with doing painting or aircraft maintenance type deal, painting the the emblem on the he aircraft

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what else did you do in that 20 years?

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Oh in that... whew, I got an assignment to England and went to Brize Norton Airbase, RAF Brize Norton Airbase in England and was there for 4 years.

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Did you do the same thing there, were you a..?

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No, when I got there there was no need for field maintenance painters, so I was put in automotive maintenance and was doing body and fender work on automotive:

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welding, pounding out dents and what not, and replacing glass and just fixing doors and that they tear up though.

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Yeah, [laughing] now so you're in England, we didn't really talk about this, but let's go back real quick. How did your family feel about you joining the military?

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Oh I wanted to join when I was 16, but I had the way to my mother... you had to be signed for, you had to be 17 and you didn't have to have sign for.

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And so I... They didn't like the way my brother in the Navy came back, swearing I suppose. So that's the way the the Navy goes. So anyway, sorry Navy.

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But yeah, I just did that job there. That was mainly what I did for the 4 years while I was there in England on that assignment.

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I did get married while I was there, went over there in '54 it would be and left in '57. In 1957 I married an English girl from Cheltenham in England.

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Met her and married her in '57. So, yep.

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Wow, '57.

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Yeah.

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Well I want to thank you personally for marrying her.

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Oh.

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Considering I'm your grandson and everything. [laughing]

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Your grandma. Yeah, I couldn't have picked the better one.

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Yeah, absolutely. Alright so you're in England doing a different job in England, met your wife there in England. Let's talk about deployments. Were you ever deployed?

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Yeah I did go to Vietnam. After we come back from England, we went to Mountain Home Air Force Base in Idaho.

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Okay.

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And from there I went to Vietnam and did a year at Da Nang Air Base in Vietnam.

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And the worst assignment -- not because I didn't want to go, but I had the 3 children at that time.

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I had three years left to do to put my 20 years in the service and to retire and it was very bad that I had to leave them.

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The youngest was a year after I was in. I was in Vietnam for like 3 weeks and the youngest was a year old, Shelly.

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And then the two boys, so she went from having me to having to just take care of them, the three of them on her own.

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It was terrible for her and I often think back on it and I should have been tempted enough to go to Canada like they were doing back then,

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protesting the Vietnam War. But I felt like I had to go -- I mean others had to go -- and do my thing.

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But it was one of the worst things that ever happened to me in my 20 years, to leave her with being mother and father.

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So I mean, leaving them was obviously pretty traumatic. How did you stay in touch then, while you're in Vietnam with your family to make sure you know, everything you know,

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that to let him know you're okay and for them to also communicate back to you.

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The only we had, only thing we had was just write and letters. I did communicate on tape a few times...

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Okay.

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...talking to them, talking to the boys and it was mainly letters then and that's all there was back then for communicating.

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Well tell me about your experience there in Vietnam. What was your job?

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Well it was traffic management they called it. I would have to do paperwork and the shipping and receiving of freight from Da Nang,

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shipping it back to the States, do paperwork on it, get it to the area where it's to be loaded onto the aircraft and but the paperwork had to be done on it

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and make sure it was supposed to be rodent free and all that. Rodent free, I remember having to make sure the stencil was on there, because they didn't want anything going back from Vietnam

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in the way of rodents and insects. Insects and rodents free, I think that's what we had to make sure was on that.

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But they get the paperwork together and sometimes I'd be doing paperwork, sometimes I'd be out loading with the forklift on a flatbed and get it into the aerial port.

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And did you happen to see any conflicts while you were out there?

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No, I didn't. I went through and one of gentlemen there that I was stationed with and I went with them, we got there about the same time

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and he said he counted them, it was 28 or 29, twenty-some-odd rocket attacks we went through while we were there

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and they would use a hit about 3 o'clock in the morning and make sure we're all in bed, I guess

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and it was some hairy, very hairy experiences. We had this rocket debris falling on the barracks and the one time that I can remember during all those attacks.

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But they were interested in hitting the aircraft, but the the rockets they would send in, they'd just spray them.

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They didn't know for sure where they're going to hit, the aircraft or maybe a field dump, a field area where I heard they hit one after I left, a rocket attack.

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But it would keep us moving the quite a few times during the year I was there.

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[shuffling]

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So let's talk about coming back home from Vietnam. How was the trip coming back home? How were you received by your family and friends?

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It was just so good to be back in one piece, because we lost so many and I could have been could have been one of them,

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but always have that the back of your mind, but and be thankful that back and hold the ones that we loved and that I missed.

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365 right to the day, 365, over for a year.

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So you were in Vietnam for a year?

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Yes.

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Yeah, okay.

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One year right to the day.

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Wow.

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And I'm just so glad to be back and see all the love once again.

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I don't recall, I hearing about them not getting a hero's welcome back and all that, but I admit, I was so glad I guess, to be back with my loved ones again.

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then we got to go to Germany. I had a concurrent [inaudible] overseas.

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I would like to have gone to England, because my wife being British I requested England, but then they come down and said

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I go to Germany, there was an opening in Germany for my AFSC; my career field and so I got to Germany, because it's close to getting into England to

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get her home and we did while I was in Germany. We tripped over to England.

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And but, it was... I found Germany very interesting, you know. They were very nice people that we rented from. The landlord happened to be, had been in

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the war and had scars from his... I heard that he was captured by Russians and tortured. He was our landlord and he was a big husky man

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and just good, good people. They treat us so good, him and his wife and it was an interesting and enlightening.

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I was 5 kilometers... where I was Germany, I was 5 kilometers from the East German border and the outfit I was with was USAFSS which was security service

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and had to do with surveillance of the East German side of the of the border, which was 5 Ks from world where we were living on Hoff Air Base.

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And it was very interesting time and got to go right up to the border and look over the no-man's land and the rows of barbed-wire and what not

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and you could even see that the East Germans over there on the other side, but that was a very interesting time being in Germany after... well after the war.

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What time was this?

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That was -- let's see -- like 1959, '59.

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Okay, alright and this was... How long were you in Germany after you got out of Vietnam?

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Oh we were in Germany for like 3 years.

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3 years.

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And they were closing... they were going to close Hof and so we left and went back to Andrews Air Force Base in D.C.

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Okay, so while you were in England and Germany, how did you stay in touch with your friends and family back home in Ohio?

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I wasn't very good at writing letters and all and they, I think I know the way I felt and the way they were, was like no news was good news.
[laughing]

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So but we didn't really... I wasn't much more letter writer all the time, I was then. Except when I was in Vietnam and sending back and forth to Margret.

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That's understandable. Alright well let's... So when did you get out again, It was what year?

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What year...

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'72?

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'72.

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Yep, 1972. So a lot had changed between time you got in, what 1952 to 1972.

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20 years, yeah.

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Yeah, so what experiences did you learn while you were in the military and how did those apply now that you'd gotten out?

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Well the... I didn't seem too... I got a job with the Post Office through the transition program they had. I tested for the ticket to get in the Post Office.

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Not too long after I got out, I got a call from the Post Office that my name had come up and I needed to go and do some further testing.

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And I was carrying mail in Canton, Ohio, Football Hall of Fame town and was there for 4 years at that post office button and moved out

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and needed get closer to the military, because up there was like 200 miles to the nearest military installation

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and doing my 20 years I was entitled to the commissary shop on the base and shop in the commissary, food.

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And but it was so far that I couldn't take advantage of my benefits so... and back then at that time they were closing bases and so I've got to get someplace where they most likely not close.

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I didn't want to move to an area and then they close the base and have to move again. So I heard about the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs and I went out there,

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a long way and went out and checked it out and then came back and told the wife I'd applied for the employment on the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs and that's where...

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And we ended up moving in to Colorado from Ohio.

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So you'd say you integrated back into society pretty well after 20 years of service?

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I didn't... it didn't... it wasn't no bother. It was a must, everything's a must when you're doing something like that

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and didn't give it much thought, really. Turn the knob and do the job.

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So what are some life lessons that you learned from your time in the military?

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Phew, before I started for it was just respect for your superiors. You had to... what was drummed into you from basic training

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-- of course they eased up on you once you got your PCS out of basic training, but you just... I don't know, I felt like that you get a sense of authority.

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You know, obey the officers and people that are assigned over you and you do what they say and very little questions.

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But I think that's probably one of the best things I got is to respect authority.

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Yeah, that's good. It's hard to see anymore out there.

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I don't think... that's just my opinion, I think they should bring back the draft. 18 years old, you go 2 years.

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If they don't like it, get out, but do 2 years and learn the respect for authority and it could be a little less crime.

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Honestly I have yet to meet a veteran to think different, honestly so.

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How is your military service impacted the feelings, your feelings about war or military life in general?

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How did..?

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How has your service in the military, how is that impacted your feelings about war or military life in general?

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It's a need be. It is something that you, like I say, you've got to respect what the superiors, got to trust in them and do what they say and respect authority.

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Is there a message you would like to leave for future generations as they watch this, considering that this is going to the Library Congress?

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Oh like I said, I would do it again. I feel like I learned a lot in regards to authority and I don't think it would hurt all.

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I don't know how mothers and fathers feel about sending their sons into war. It could be but, 2 years of I think, would be really, really beneficial to young men

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and not necessarily women. I don't know about if... and if they want to do it, yeah, but I don't think it should be mandatory that women, but differently men for 2 years.

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Learn respect.

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And last thing, is there anything that we have not covered that you would like to talk about or address?

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I can't think of anything off hand

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Okay, alright, well thank you very much for telling us your story and thank you very much for your service and for being a great grandfather.

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Oh thank you. You're my grandson, number one grandson. [laughing]