PARTING SHOT



Benny's Huey

Benito "Benny" Gutierrez, a longtime active member of VVA's Butte County, California, Chapter 582 in Chico, served as a crew chief and door gunner on a UH-1 Iroquois Huey helicopter in Vietnam with D Troop of the 2nd Squadron in the First Cavalry Division. He has put in countless hours serving his chapter and the veterans community in Northern California.

Gutierrez may be best known for a giant, striking mural he had painted of the Huey he crewed on in Vietnam. He uses a large trailer to display the mural in parades and military events far and wide in honor of his fellow First Cav troopers.