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## PRESS RELEASE

## Join Us For An Unaccompanied Veteran Burial At The Texas State Veterans Cemetery At Abilene

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ABILENE — On Friday, June 9 at 11:00 a.m. sharp, the <u>Texas State Veterans</u> <u>Cemetery At Abilene</u> will conduct an Unaccompanied Veteran Burial for U.S. Army Veteran Private First Class (PFC) Donald Lynn Barefield. Born on March 1, 1948, PFC Barefield served from November 1970 to March 1972. PFC Barefield received the Bronze Star Medal, Air Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, and the Vietnam Campaign Medal.

PFC Barefield is not expected to have any next-of-kin attend his burial. Please help us spread the word and ensure that this U.S. Army Veteran is not buried alone. Members of the Abilene community are encouraged to attend.

PFC Barefield will receive military honors. If no next-of-kin is present at the burial, a Veterans Land Board Representative will accept the United States flag on his behalf. The Texas Veterans Land Board works with the local communities and fellow Veterans service organizations to ensure that NO Veteran is EVER left behind.

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