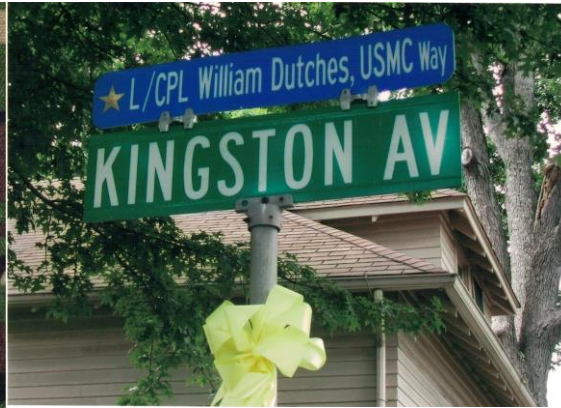


The Helmet

A Journey Through Memory



Thursday

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9:30 -11:00a.m.

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Ever thought about what a piece of war memorabilia can tell you? This is the story of a helmet that brought family and friends together to share stories of Billy Dutches, who fought and died in Vietnam in 1966. Rarely do we have the opportunity to know the personal history behind one of the more than 58,000 names inscribed upon the Memorial Wall in Washington D.C. And yet, because the Vietnam War is part of our past, it is important that we preserve what we can. Join us to find out how the Helmet ensured its own survival to become part of the heritage of the town where L/Cpl. William Dutches is remembered.

James E. Brogan has put together stories of his friend and the 55-year journey made by the Helmet from Vietnam back to Hawthorne, New Jersey. A Marine Corps veteran who served in Vietnam, law enforcement and in the Peace Corps, he now lives in Chiang Mai. Rebecca Weldon was raised in Laos during the war and has worked in museums in the area. Together they have created a book inspired by Billy Dutches and his Helmet.

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