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Mr. & Mrs. Weflen:

I am writing to ask your help in the preservation of a part of history that is quite important to me and many other Vietnam Veterans who served during the F-100 period of the Vietnam War. This is a truly classic American military aircraft.

I was stationed at Tan Son Nhut Air Force Base for a year during 1965-1966 and I worked on five man OP teams and jeep security teams. A number of the F-100's were stationed in the revetments we were tasked to defend.

My first encounter with the F-100 was on a windy hill in the Mojave Desert at 10 years old. An F-100 from Edwards Air Force Base roared over at 100 feet above my head in afterburner. It was a sight I will never forget.

On April 13th, 1966, I was wounded in a rocket and mortar attack on Ton Son Nuht while guarding the very revetments in which the F-100's were located. As you can see, I have quite a history with the "HUN."

I feel that the display Terry is proposing would be of immense value in the preservation of a material piece of American history that demonstrates the tremendous aeronautical advances in American's aerospace history.

Thank you for your consideration

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1977-1999
Proud American Always