

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CITY OF PALMDALE *NEWS RELEASE*

CONTACT: John Mlynar
PHONE: 661/267-5115
DATE: October 28, 2014

Series of Events Mark The Return of Mobile Vietnam Veterans Memorial Display to Palmdale Amphitheater

PALMDALE – The City of Palmdale and Point Man Antelope Valley will host the 5th annual display of the *Mobile Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall for the Antelope Valley* (AV Wall) from Thursday, Nov. 6 at 1 pm through Tuesday, Nov. 11 at 11 pm at the Palmdale Amphitheater, 2723 Rancho Vista Boulevard in Palmdale.

The public will have 24 hour access to the AV Wall while it is on display. Taps will be played nightly at 10 pm during the time it is on display.

An opening ceremony will be held on Friday, Nov. 7 at 6 pm.

On Saturday, Nov. 8 at 9 pm, there will be a Candlelight Memorial Walk to honor the “AV 76,” the 76 men of the Antelope Valley killed during the Vietnam War.

Then on Veterans Day, Tuesday, Nov. 11 at 11 am, the Antelope Valley Service Organization Association will host its annual Veterans Day Ceremony.

The viewing of the AV Wall will end on Nov. 11 at 11 pm.

The AV Wall is one of only two mobile walls that are engraved and the only one laid out in the same design as the original in Washington, D.C. measuring approximately 250 feet long and 6 feet high at the apex, it contains the engraved names of all the 58,299. Vietnam veterans killed in action and missing in action.

From 2005 through 2009, over \$100,000 was raised locally to build the wall. It was dedicated at a ceremony at Joe Davies Heritage Airpark at Palmdale Plant 42 on Nov. 13, 2009. Point Man Antelope Valley, the guardians of the AV Wall have a dedicated committee to oversee all aspects of the AV Wall.

For more information, please call 661/524-6408, or visit www.avwall.org.

- 30 -

Communications Department • 38300 Sierra Highway • Palmdale, CA 93550
www.cityofpalmdale.org