

"DENNIS ABRAMS' FROM CHICAGO TO VIETNAM: A HERO'S JOURNEY OF SERVICE"

Born and raised in Chicago, Illinois, this remarkable individual's life took an unexpected turn when he moved to California after high school, eventually leading him to serve in both law enforcement and the U.S. Army. After a brief period with the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), he received the call of duty from the U.S. Army. His medical knowledge made him a valuable asset, and he underwent training at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas, before being assigned to the 11th Armored Cavalry as a Behavioral Health Specialist.

In 1968, he found himself in the challenging and perilous terrain of Vung Tau, Vietnam. His primary responsibility was to assess and treat soldiers in the field experiencing anxiety or schizophrenia. His duties often took him directly into combat zones, where he provided medical assistance under fire, joined patrols as a medic, and escorted wounded soldiers to Long Binh Hospital. Returning to the United States, his service continued at Fort Meade, Maryland, where he assessed prisoners' mental health and facilitated his discharge. However, his dedication to service persisted.

In 1969, he re-entered the LAPD, rising through the ranks to become an Investigator. His career included roles as a Pre-sentence investigator, Probation supervisor, and overseeing a gang boot camp for prisoners. This individual's journey, from the streets of Chicago to the battlefields of Vietnam and the halls of the LAPD, serves as a powerful testament to unwavering commitment and selflessness.

His legacy reminds us of the sacrifices made by those who serve, demonstrating the profound impact of one person's dedication to his community and country.

Vietnam Veteran & LAPD Officer Dennis Abrams' Thank You for Your Service!

