



# *Vietnam Veterans of America*

## *Chapter 767*

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### **\$500.00 Dexter Baker Memorial Scholarship \$500.00 Stanley Kasprick Memorial Scholarship**

**To: Scholarship Applicant**  
**From: Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 767 of Racine/Kenosha**  
**Subject: Scholarship for Post-Secondary Education**

Dear Student:

These scholarships are offered by Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 767, and will be awarded to eligible Racine and/or eligible Kenosha County High School seniors. To be eligible you must be a relative or descendant of an honorably discharged United States Military Veteran. That Veteran may have served at anytime in our country's history, anywhere in the world and in any branch of the military service.

The basic requirement for this scholarship is to write an essay of three to five pages in length based on an interview. You must interview an honorably discharged Vietnam Veteran, that is, a Veteran who served anywhere in the world during the time period, January 1964 to May 1975. This Veteran's service must be verified by enclosing a copy of their DD214. **Your topic must be directly related to some aspect of the Vietnam War, and you must describe how that interview affected your perception of that War, and what you learned from that Veteran.**

The interview may focus on, but is not limited to: the veteran's military experience, how the veteran feels about their service, how that service has affected their life, or how the Vietnam War has affected our country or the world. Your essay must include a complete bibliography with a minimum of two additional non-fiction sources. These sources may include books and video tapes. However, please remember that many Hollywood movies are fictionalized accounts and are not considered acceptable. Chapter 767 does maintain a library of books and videos which will be made available to students upon request.

We hope that through this experience, you will gain a better understanding of those who served in uniform during our country's longest and most controversial foreign conflict. Furthermore, we hope that this scholarship will provide some relief to the financial burden of higher education.

*Sincerely,*

Scholarship Committee of VVA 767



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DEXTER BAKER AND STANLEY KASPRICK SCHOLARSHIPS  
THE SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP  
ARE:**

- 1.) Applicant's relationship to a military veteran shall be documented and verified by: the veteran's DD214, discharge, or other official military document. If you need assistance in obtaining this verification, you may contact the Racine or Kenosha County Veterans Service Officer.
- 2.) The Vietnam veteran, interviewed by the applicant, must provide a DD214 verifying their service during the proscribed period (active duty in the U.S. military-for other than training purposes-between February 28, 1961-May 7, 1975 (in-country Vietnam), or between August 5, 1964, and May 7, 1975 for others).
- 3.) The essay must be: original, typed, double spaced and 3 to 5 pages.
- 4.) The essay, school transcripts and proof of veteran's service must be mailed and postmarked **NO LATER THAN April 15<sup>th</sup>**.
- 5.) There will be one scholarship awarded in both Racine and Kenosha Counties if sufficient applicants permit.

**Entries that do not meet these requirements will not be considered.**

What you learn from your research and how you express your ideas is of primary importance to the judging committee. Your essay will also be judged on organization, appearance and use of grammar. The recipients of the year's scholarships will be notified prior to their high school's scholarship awards assembly. The name(s) of the recipients will be inscribed on a plaque to be displayed along with that year's essay winner(s), at the Veterans' Center, 820 Main St., Racine, Wisconsin. Checks will be issued to each winner after successful completion of the first semester of post-secondary schooling.

Address questions and/or completed applications to:  
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