

Reference Sheet D  
Vietnam War Oral Histories

**Websites**

<http://www.loc.gov/vets//stories/>

oral histories of Vietnam Vets that you can access online

<http://www.pbs.org/vietnampassage/Stories/index.html>

passages of Vietnamese stories of their involvement with US Soldiers in Vietnam

<http://fas-history.rutgers.edu/oralhistory/orlhom.htm>

written oral histories of Vietnam Veterans

<http://www.army.mil/cmh-pg/documents/vietnam/vnit/vietoral.htm>

Army interviews in Vietnam during the war

<http://www.authentichistory.com/OHP/dfreehafer4.html>

Oral History Project: 1960s: Vietnam: Homefront;

**Video**

Legacy of a war : the American *soldier* in *Vietnam* / Ellen Frey-Wouters, Robert Laufer.

Dear America: Letters Home from Vietnam ([1987](#)) /Bill Couturie'

Being Hmong Means Being Free CESA & and Wisconsin Public Television (2000)

Fogs of War / Erroll Morris (2004)

**Individual and group accounts**

Arendt, Laurie. *Back from duty: Ozaukee County's veterans share their stories*. Ozaukee County Council of America Legion Posts, 2002.  
187 p.

Oral history interviews of veterans conducted by Arendt and students from Ozaukee County. Detailed accounts covering almost every service branch. Also includes interviews from more recent military conflicts

Reilly, Thomas L. *Next of kin: a brother's journey to wartime Vietnam*. Washington D.C.: Brassey's Inc., 2003. 271 p.

The Brandon, Wis. native's memoir of his travel to Vietnam as a teenager. Riley visited wartime Vietnam in an attempt to understand and gain more information about his older brother's death.

Stevens, Michael, et al. *Voices from Vietnam*. Madison, Wis.: State Historical Society of Wisconsin, 1996. 255 p.

Compiled letters and photographs of Wisconsin citizens who served in the Vietnam War. Most service branches are covered. The book includes biographical sketches of the authors of letters as well as a glossary of terms common to the Vietnam War.

Terry, Wallace. *Bloods: An Oral History of the Vietnam War by Black Veterans*. New York: Ballantine Books, 1984. 320 p.

McCloud, William. *What Should We Tell Our Children About Vietnam?* University of Oklahoma Press (May 1, 2000) 155 p.

A collection of 128 answers to that question by various figures involved with the Vietnam War such as William Bennett, Robert McNamara, Henry Kissinger, Jimmy Carter, John McCain, William Westmoreland, Kurt Vonnegut, Allan Ginsberg, and George Bush.

### **Hmong refugees in Wisconsin**

Aleckson, Paul, et al. *The Hmong and their stories: the secret wars, escape to Laos, the legends*. Weston, Wis.: D.C. Everest Area Schools, 2001. 198 p.

A detailed history of the Hmong combined with oral history interviews of Hmong who have resettled in Wisconsin. Interviews discuss life in Laos prior to the war, the changes observed in Laos during the Vietnam War, life in refugee camps, and life in the Wisconsin Hmong community.

Williams, Linda, et al. *Leaving Home: Family Stories of Courage and Hope*.(1994)

A collection of oral history stories of Laotian, Hmong and Khmu experience in and escape from war-torn Indochina.