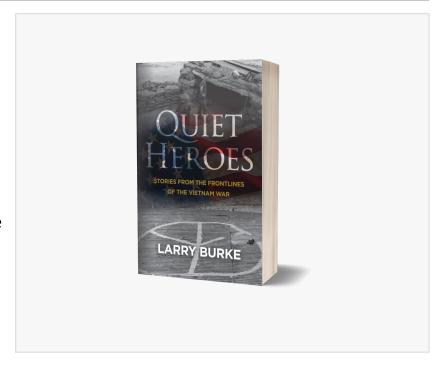


Veteran's Memoir Quiet Heroes Shares an Unfiltered Look at War, Brotherhood, and the Road Back Home

FREEPORT, FL, UNITED STATES, May 26, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- A new memoir, Quiet Heroes, offers a powerful account of one man's transition from everyday life to the front lines of the Vietnam War—and the unexpected journey that followed. Author Larry Burke recounts his reallife story of being drafted into military service just as he was pursuing a future in semi-professional hockey, and how those events reshaped his life forever.

In Quiet Heroes, Burke shares vivid personal recollections of his time serving in the U.S. Navy, including



missions deep in the jungles of Vietnam and life aboard a naval vessel. The book reveals not only the intensity of <u>combat</u> but also the strength of the <u>friendships</u> formed during wartime—bonds that would endure long after the fighting ended.

After returning from service, Burke found a new outlet for the high-octane intensity of war: dirt track racing. Over the next 22 years, he competed in races across the country, using the adrenaline-fueled sport to process and push past the weight of his wartime experiences.

Larry Burke was born and raised in New Jersey. He planned to play semi-professional hockey before he was drafted into the military. After his 4-year military duty, he returned to the U.S. and lived in Wisconsin and began to race cars on dirt racetracks as a hobby and a way to burn off excess adrenaline. Larry eventually moved back to New Jersey and continued to race cars for 22 years. In 2017, his Vietnam War buddy, Carl, convinced him to move to Florida, where he met his wife. Larry lives in Freeport, Florida with his wife Darla, and their dog Darla. They now enjoy travelling in their RV to watch Sprint Car racing around the country.

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