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## Jerry White, Sr.

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In November 1966, Jerry White, Sr. bravely joined the toughest of the tough, the United States Marine Corps. After graduating from boot camp, he received additional training from Parris Island, Camp Geiger, Camp Pendleton, Camp Lejeune, Gitmo Cuba at Guantanamo Bay, and on the USS Valley Forge LPH45 and the USS Fremont LPH25, before heading overseas to Okinawa and to DaNang in Vietnam. In December 1967, Mr. White was sent with the 3rd Battalion of the 1st Marines into the battle of Thom Tham Khe, and in November 1969 was given an Honorable Combat Discharge.

In October 2010, Mr. White assisted with the exhumation and relocation of the remains of awarded Congressional Medal of Honor recipient Sgt. Cornelius H. Charlton, to his proper resting place at Arlington Memorial Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia, after 57 years. This mission was extremely valiant for all veterans and their families around the world.

In honor of his fellow veterans, Mr. White has remained extremely active in many veteran organizations. He is the current Vice President of the Bronx NABVETS Chapter #0029 and has various associations with other veteran agencies and organizations, including DAV, Vietnam Veterans of America, American Legion and the Bronx Veterans Parade Task Team.

As a proud father of three, grandfather of six and great-grandfather of one, when asked of his fondest achievements, he simply stated "Fatherhood, his military accomplishments and the fact that his eldest son followed in his footsteps and became a U.S. Marine."