

## Letter from a Vietnam combat veteran:

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I served in the 101st Airborne as a grunt in Vietnam in 1966 and as a Door Gunner in a Gun Ship with the 129th in 1967. I also served time in the stockade where I was tortured for speaking truth to power after I survived my tour across the pond. 'Just saw *Zero Dark Thirty* and thought you might enjoy the rant.

The NRA has nothing to do with gun rights for anyone. The NRA is nothing but a 'store front' set up for the gun and bullet makers. Our fellow citizens are so stupid as to believe that the NRA has something to do with the 2nd Amendment. It never did... From 1868 until the 1970's The NRA supported, "strict gun control." Do a little research! Then NIXON and the Law and Order gang came to power and the NRA created the self- protection con. FEAR! Americans are pussies and love to be afraid at all times for any reason. It is in our country's culture and mind set for Christ sake. That's when the 2nd Amendment became an issue. It worked! Hey, it's still working.

What I am about to say may seem unreal to many but it is true. I served in the infantry as a combat grunt in 1966 in Vietnam. While I was the infantry all soldiers had a weapon that they had to carry with them at all times. However, when we were in a rear area, every warrior had to turn in his ammo, i.e. bullets. Mind you there was no safe place in the rear areas. Our government took our bullets away because they did not trust us even after all that training. These "assault weapons" were so dangerous the government didn't want us WARRIORS to have access to them until we really, really needed them. What does that tell you?

As soon as we were given orders to go into the field of combat then and only then did they issue us our bullets. Get this, in the field of combat we were NOT ALLOWED to put a round in the chamber. Our weapons were to be locked until we were fired on. Only then did we unlock our weapons. FYI; less than one percent of soldiers saw any combat, EVER! Less than one percent! If combat warriors are not protected by this 2nd Amendment thing why the hell are citizens?

The right to bear arms is a myth. The 2nd Amendment states, "A well-regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed." What does regulated mean? Look up 'regulated' I dare ya. Then look up the word, 'well.' If our government will not allow their warriors to have bullets in their weapons until they are in combat why would our government allow citizens to have bullets for any reason? Hunting? Self- protection? Bull-shit!

The NRA is Un-American and we should shame them away. How many children are enough? National Rifle Association/NRA should mean (N)eed (R)egulation (A)ssap! We need a debate on this issue. The 2nd Amendment be damned! Wake up citizens and stop praying and start

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actually doing something? Bless the beast and the children after we have strict gun control...  
Let's shun the NRA until they are all dead and gone, long gone...

*Zero Dark Thirty* is a great movie and very powerful; however it is propaganda. Pure propaganda! I said the same thing about *The Deer Hunter* back whenever that came out. In that flick they tried to tell stupid Americans that the Viet Cong used Tiger Cages on American troops. The truth is it was American troops who used the cages to torture the Vietnamese people. Our government helped makers of *The Deer Hunter* convince Americans that it was the other way around.

Here are the facts: after that war, there were no American MIA's left behind. (0)! NONE! ZIP! NADA! Guess how many Vietnamese MIA's there were? 300,000. What happened to them? WE murdered all of them after we tortured most of them, men woman and children. Three Hundred Thousand! It is important for our government to make Americans think that we are the good guys. *Zero Dark Thirty* is the new *Deer Hunter*.

What a country. Shame on America. War! What is it good for? Nuttin! So if you see this flick keep in mind it is yet another bright and shining LIE!!!

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