Vincent "Frank" Chavez SPC.2020.006

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Title: Vincent "Frank" Chavez Photograph Album
Creator: Chavez, Vincent "Frank"
Identifier/Call Number: SPC.2020.006
Physical Description: 1 box1 photograph album
Physical Description: 0.209 Linear Feet
Date (inclusive): circa 1940s-1980s
Abstract: The Vincent "Frank" Chavez Photograph Album includes photographs documenting Chavez’ military service, Mexican-American family life in California from the late 1940s through the 1980s, and clippings and ephemera relating to life as a Vietnam Veteran.
Language of Material: English.
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Biographical / Historical
Vincent "Frank" Chavez (1949-2011) born on December 1, 1949 in Los Angeles, California was a Mexican-American Marine from Cloverfield, California who served in the Vietnam war. While serving as a Marine with the Battalion Landing Team, 3rd Battalion, 26th regiment, Lima Company, Chavez was involved in Operation Oklahoma Hills. During this operation, Chavez, under heavy fire and disreagrd for his own safety, retrieved the platoon commander Liuetenant Ronald Rossini. This act of valor earned him the Bronze Star with Combat V.
Scope and Contents
The Vincent "Frank" Chavez Photograph Album (1940-1980) contains one photograph album belonging to Vincent "Frank" Chavez, a Mexican American Marine from Cloverfield, California who served in Vietnam. Included in this album are images of Chavez and presumably his family and friends; images taken at Camp Pendleton and Vietnam; images of marines and military equipment; and images taken on the U.S.S Paul Revere. Also included in this album are clippings regarding a veterans protest of Rambo and missing POWs in Vietnam; greeting cards; a poem written by Chavez regarding his time in Vietnam; headshots of actors and stuntmen; comic strips, cartoons, and drawings, and other ephemera.
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Subjects and Indexing Terms
Vietnam War, 1961-1975--United States
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box 1, folder 1-2 Family Photographs 1940-1984, undated
box 1, folder 3-4 Photographs of military service, Camp Pendleton, Chavez' unit in Vietnam, and on board the United States Ship Paul Revere 1968-1969, undated
box 1, folder 6 Newspaper clippings, greeting cards, and periodicals with information on Vietnam War, Vietnam Veterans, and the Chavez family 1984-1986, undated
  this item is located in the map case.