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My thanks to Providence College for such a warm welcome last Saturday when the plaque was dedicated to remember the 37 ASTP students (of 380) who died in the war.

The time spent at P.C. was my best time in the army. None of us will ever forget P.C.

The dedication program was well done by the speakers but we all had tears in our eyes as taps was played.

The dinner that followed was delightful and quite a change in mood. Enjoyed so much your ROTC group. They looked sharp in their uniforms and were enthusiastic and bright. After introductions we had lively conversation around the table. They looked as I imagine we looked 55 years ago when we were 18 or 19. (I am now 74 which you already figured out). Thank you ROTC members for coming as your presence added a lot to what I expected to be a sad depressing day. With young people like you Providence College is in good hands for the future.

Sincerely,

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