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Memorial Day has its roots in the post U.S. Civil War. Northerners were inspired by the honor Southerners gave to their soldiers who lost their lives in the war. After WWI, the day was expanded to honor soldiers who lost their lives in all American wars.

A few weeks before Memorial Day this year, we lost a Blind friend who was a Vietnam veteran. Larry Arnold enlisted in the Navy early in the Vietnam war. He trained for combat as a medic. His motive was to save lives rather than take them. Larry was assigned to a unit of Marines and fought under the worse combat conditions to save the lives of countless wounded soldiers.

Shortly after leaving the service he began to lose his vision because of a genetic disease. Larry never ceased to fight. This time it was for the rights and benefits of the Blind. Eventually the side effects of the dreaded "Agent Orange" took what the Vietcong bullets missed. Larry's faith in Jesus grew as his time to meet Him inched closer. He is now with the Lord. Many people lost a good and respected friend.



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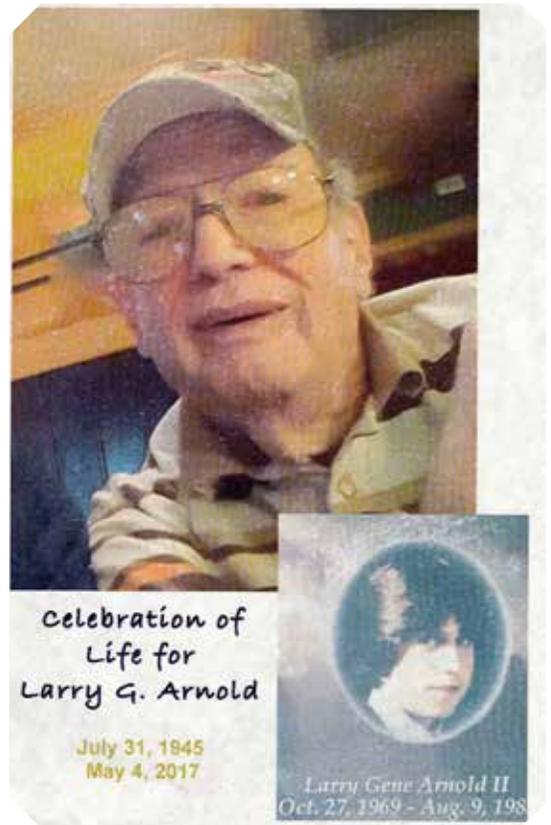
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Physical blindness among veterans is too common. Spiritual blindness among them is even more common. Let's remember all veterans in our prayers this Memorial Day weekend.

Paul & Caryl Weingartner

Paul and Caryl Weingartner and the Center for the Blind Staff



Urgent Prayer Requests

The funds of the Center for the Blind are dangerously low. Regular income is steady but some of the project pledges have not come in. Please ask the Provider for His help.

The Center for the Blind is included in a comprehensive review of the Assemblies of God. Please ask the Lord to give the committee wisdom for repositioning the ministry to better serve the Blind and visually impaired within the fellowship.

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