

NOLIN NEWS



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Capital credits

Nolin is pleased to retire more than \$2.3 million of previously allocated capital credits for the years 1996, 2015, 2016 and 2017. This means anyone who was a member and received a capital credit allocation for any of those years can expect to receive a bill credit or a check in the mail sometime this month or in December. If the capital credit amount is under \$250, the member will receive

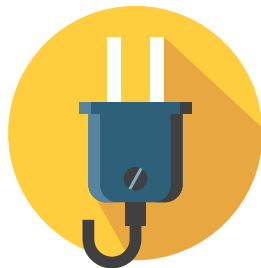
a bill credit and if it is \$250 or higher, the member will receive a check.

In general, the amount of the capital credit retirement you receive is determined by the amount of your electric bills. This entitles you to your fair share of the margin distribution after expenses are paid. A discounted retirement of any accumulated capital credits is payable to the estate of deceased members. Application for discounted

retirement can be made by an authorized representative of the estate. Call us for more information.

Unless you need to contact us about a deceased member's estate, you do not have to do anything to receive your allocation. If you have any questions about how capital credits work, go to <https://nolinrecc.com/capital-credits> or call our office at (270) 765-6153.

HOW DO CAPITAL CREDITS WORK?



Nolin RECC tracks how much electricity you use and pay for throughout the year.



At the end of the year, we assess our finances to see if there is excess revenue.



Nolin RECC allocates the excess revenues as **capital credits** to members, based on how much electricity you've used.



If financial conditions allow, the Board of Directors will pay out the **capital credits** in the form of a bill credit or check.

Because electric co-ops operate at cost, any excess revenues are returned to members in the form of capital credits.

Honor Flight 2023

On a bright day on the National Mall in Washington, D.C., it is difficult to imagine what it might have been like in Pleiku or Vinh Long, Vietnam in the 1960s or 1970s. Most days, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial stands silently with thousands of visitors walking slowly along it reading names or remembering loved ones. The calm, reflective atmosphere at the national memorials in D.C. gives visitors a chance to pay their respects, but it does little to offer them a glimpse of the experiences of those who are memorialized.

On Sept. 16, 66 veterans from Kentucky made the trip to Washington, D.C., to visit the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and other memorials as part of Honor Flight. As one of Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives, Nolin RECC sponsored two veterans and their guardians to participate in the day.

Buddy Rosenberger and Randall Logsdon both served in Vietnam during the 1960s, both were born and raised on a family farm and both would go as young men to face unknown dangers in a place that was a world away from what they knew in rural Kentucky.

Buddy Rosenberger

In 1957, Rosenberger graduated from Valley High School and attended the



Buddy Rosenberger

University of Kentucky. During his time at college, he was active in ROTC. He went to basic training at Ft. Knox between his junior and senior years and attended fixed wing training as a senior. He graduated as a second lieutenant in 1961 and was sent to Camp Wolters in Texas for primary helicopter training. After four months, Rosenberger went to Fort Rucher, Ala., for another four months and then on to Fort Knox to join the helicopter unit there. His unit, originally the 17th Air Cavalry C troop, was later reactivated as the 114th Air Mobile Company. It was the first helicopter unit to be sent from the United States to Vietnam to provide support for the growing conflict in the region. They arrived in Vinh Long, Republic of South Vietnam in May 1963.

Randall Logsdon

Randall Logsdon worked as a hod carrier after graduating from Hart County schools. He was then drafted into the United States Army and completed basic training at Fort Knox. After Advanced



Randall Logsdon

Individual Training at Fort Sill, Okla., he was sent to serve in Vietnam in the 4th Infantry in July 1967. While in Vietnam, Logsdon worked in supply and transportation. He drove supplies and troops at first and was promoted to Sgt. E-5 just 17 months after entering the Army.

The conflict climate in Vietnam



Buddy Rosenberger, right, served as a helicopter pilot while in Vietnam. Photos: Buddy Rosenberger



Randall Logsdon worked in supply and transport in Vietnam. Photos: Randall Logsdon

differed for these two veterans, since Rosenberger served in the very early stages and Logsdon several years later, but both encountered the persistent danger that is familiar to all those serving in the military. Working in transportation meant that both were regularly exposed to attack from hostile forces.

Rosenberger remembers flying seven days a week with a total of almost 1,500 hours during his 13-month deployment. He flew mostly support missions transporting South Vietnamese personnel to areas of engagement. Rosenberger reflects on a particular helicopter mission that ended with the death of his friend. His friend was flying a helicopter behind him, and Rosenberger wouldn't learn until later that when he dropped contact, the helicopter had lost its tail and crashed.

Logsdon served in Vietnam during the deadly Tet Offensive. It was then that he says their base camp was hit for the first time. Logsdon recalls their camp being bombarded with rockets and mortar shells and their unit taking shelter in a bunker they had built. "The next morning, we looked around and the barracks two or three away from ours were blown up," says Logsdon. He adds that they were fortunate that they did not lose any lives that day.

In September, Logsdon and Rosenberger walked along the Wall that memorializes those who died during their time in Vietnam, including Rosenberger's friend and the hundreds of U.S. military personnel killed during the Tet Offensive. For most of the veterans on this year's Honor Flight, this was their memorial. Many searched for names, made pencil rubbings on paper or took photos. Undoubtedly, they were also remembering a time that was very different from that beautiful day on the National Mall—a time that many of these veterans don't talk much about.

The 2023 Honor Flight was a chance for veterans to reflect on their own experiences and for others to express gratitude. Those who dedicate countless hours to organizing the Honor Flight make it their mission to honor these men and women in every way they can. From airport receptions to special recognitions to the details of safety and mail call, Honor Flight veterans like the two representing Nolin are treated with the care

and respect due to our nation's heroes.

The day was a special one for Buddy Rosenberger and Randall Logsdon. "It was an event I will remember and cherish forever," says Rosenberger.

For Nolin and those who support Honor Flight, the day is a chance to show our gratitude. It's a way of recognizing those who know from their own experience what—and whom—our national memorials represent.



Randall Logsdon stands in Arlington National Cemetery at the USS Maine Mast Memorial. Photo: Ethan Woosley



Buddy Rosenberger, left, in red shirt, salutes during the wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Rosenberger was one of the Kentucky Honor Flight veterans who was given the honor of participating in the ceremony during the group's visit to Arlington National Cemetery. Photo: Tim Webb



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Nolin RECC lineworkers Preston Howell and Brandon Hurd work overnight to replace a pole broken by a late summer storm in Hardin County. Photo: Tyler Hornback

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Our offices will be closed Thursday, Nov. 9, for professional development. We will also close in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday on Nov. 23 and 24.

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Right-of-way work schedule

In an effort to keep our members informed, we are providing information about where our right-of-way crews plan to work each month. This information is subject to change.

November 2023: Salt River Road, Solway Meeting Road, H. Probus Lane, Vertrees Substation and Fort Avenue.

Free wood chips are available. Call (270) 600-2714 for details.