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**THE WALK THROUGH HISTORY PROGRAM UNVEILS ITS 39<sup>TH</sup>  
PLAQUE IN HONOR OF SGT. 1<sup>ST</sup> CLASS CHARLES F. PREVEDEL  
VIETNAM WAR ERA MIA/POW GREEN BERET**



Pictured above from (l-r) is Mayor Tim Lowery, Joe Prevedel the brother of Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Charles F. Prevedel and his sister Judy Prevedel Larouere. Standing in the back from (l-r) is Joe's wife Kate Prevedel and family member Patti Alvarez.

Stormy weather did not stop the crowd of people that came to celebrate the first Wednesday Night Out event of the year that was hosted by the VFW Post 4105 on May 29<sup>th</sup> that started at 6:00 p.m. with the theme "Proud to be an American".

At approximately 7:45 p.m. many family and friends gathered inside the VFW Post to unveil the 39<sup>th</sup> Walk Through History plaque in honor of Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Charles F. Prevedel Vietnam Era MIA/POW Green Beret. Mayor Tim Lowery welcomed everyone that was in attendance as the 12<sup>th</sup> District Guard presented the colors and Lady J. Huston with the Daughters of the American Revolution sang the National Anthem and at the end of the plaque dedication she also performed "Taps" on her trumpet. Martha Richardson the VFW 4105 Auxiliary President handled the POW/MIA ceremony. Joe Prevedel the brother of Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Charles F. Prevedel said a few words. Scott Frame who is a VFW active duty member assisted Joe Prevedel and his sister Judy Prevedel Larouere in unveiling the plaque.

U.S. Army Patriot Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Charles F. Prevedel's name is on the Vietnam Obelisk located at Koch Park in Florissant. He was awarded the Bronze Star in 1969. Joint U.S.- Vietnamese teams excavated ambush site 1990-1993, recovered remains and Prevedel's remains were DNA identified in 2003. In October of 2004 his remains were returned to his family and buried very near his parents at Jefferson Barracks Cemetery. The search for other artifacts and remains continued on. In 2011 the family was notified more remains were found. Those identified as Charles' were again buried at Jefferson Barracks Cemetery. One other American's remains were also identified and buried in Arlington National Cemetery. In October, 2011 the unidentified remains were interred in Arlington Cemetery. Charles name is engraved, along with the other two American soldiers, on this group burial site in Arlington National Cemetery. The Charles F. Prevedel Federal Building honors him at 9700 Page Avenue in Overland MO.