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**Award:** Honoring Our Veterans

**Year:** 2013

Sp. 4 Daniel J. Honsinger, U.S. Army (Ret.), officially joined the service on Oct. 28, 1966. He served 13 months in the Army's 4th Battalion of the Third Infantry during the Vietnam War.

Honsinger completed basic training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina and finished advanced training at Fort Collins, Colorado. Before going into active battle, Honsinger experienced months of grueling training while stationed at the Schofield Barracks in Hawaii. There he completed strenuous amphibian training, jungle warfare training and escape-and-evasion training. Honsinger also received explosives training before becoming certified as the demolitions man for his unit.

While deployed in South Vietnam, Honsinger faced daily encounters with guerrilla warfare. Following seven months of overseas battle, Honsinger was severely wounded in combat due to an enemy mine explosion. He spent nine months at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington D.C. recovering from his injuries and retired from the Army because of his disabilities on Jan. 27, 1969.

To honor his immeasurable bravery, Honsinger was awarded the Purple Heart and the Bronze Battle Star, along with the New York State Conspicuous Service Cross and Citation, the Vietnam Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, the Combat Infantryman's Badge and the Sharpshooter Rifle Badge.

Honsinger is a lifetime member of The Military Order of The Purple Heart and is a current member of the American Legion of Wyantskill, NY.

Sp. 4 Daniel Honsinger, U.S. Army (Ret.) is a man who fought with extreme valor and

determination on behalf of our country. His efforts, bravery and leadership are to be celebrated and honored.