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Members of American Legion Post 48 Beloit presented Odella Roberson, 101, with an American flag on July 4 on behalf of her late husband, General Roberson, who served in World War II. Pictured from left at the Harbor House, assisted living facility are American Legion members Steve White, Rocky Plomb, Calvin Johnson, Sr., Roger Schmoldt, Barry Pringle (Sons of the American Legion) and Myron Cobb III. Seated in the red jacket is Odella Roberson.

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A time to remember

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Vietnam Veterans memorial in Beloit

On Wednesday, Myron Cobb and James Faust knew exactly what time the American Veterans



A member of the U.S. Marine Corps, Cobb served in the 3rd Marine Division, 3rd Battalion Reconnaissance. He was in Vietnam from December 1968 to August 1971, a total of 33 months. Thirty-three months he can still recall.

Staff photo by Kyle R. Morris
Ron Shaw lines up panels of the traveling Vietnam War Memorial this morning along Riverside Park, in Beloit. The wall will be on display from Sept. 21-24.

"I was 17 years old when I landed in Vietnam. As a little boy from Wisconsin, I was scared - every day, scared to death," Cobb reflected.

As part of a Special Forces long-range patrol team, Cobb said his base was fired at nearly every day he was stationed there. "I was so close to my enemies I could smell their skin," he revealed.

Cobb was awarded six Purple Hearts for the wounds he received while he was there, in addition to

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