

From Vietnam to Oakland

Homage to Family and Mother's Love

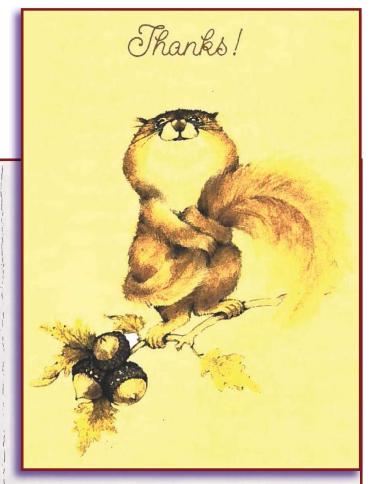
Earl "Skip" Cooper II [100% Disabled Vietnam Veteran] July 1966

MAMA,

JUST A LITTLE NOTE TO YOU (GOD & DADDY) TO SAY HOW THANKFUL I AM FOR BEING YOUR SON AND FOR ALL THE MANY ITHINGS YOU AND DADDY DID FOR ME, PLUS THE SACRIFICES YOU BOTH MADE FOR ME WHEN I WAS GROWING UP,

LOOKING BACK OVER MY LIFE I CAN BETTER APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT WE WERE A FAMILY BESSED WITH ONE OF THE GREATEST RICHES A PERSON CAN HAVE, AND THAT IS THE LOVE & UNITY THAT ONLY A REAL FAMILY CAN EXPERIENCE.

I'll MAT REGARD WE WERE A VERY "RICH FAMILY" THANKS TO YOU AND DADDY



AND THE EREATEST DISTINCTION OR HONOR I CAN HAVE IS IN BEING YOUR SON.

> THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR EVERYTHING YOU HAVE DONE FORME,

LOVE ALMATS, YOUR SON "SKIP"