

## Where Rich Men's Dreams Came True and Poor Men's Sons Went to Vietnam to Die



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For the sons of wealthy families, the Vietnam War was often seen as an opportunity to prove their patriotism and to follow in the footsteps of their fathers. Many of these young men attended prestigious colleges and universities, and they were well-educated and intelligent. They were also often very athletic, and they saw the war as a chance to test themselves in combat.

For the sons of poor families, the Vietnam War was often a much different experience. These young men were often drafted into the military, and they had little choice but to go to war. They were often less educated than their wealthier counterparts, and they were less likely to have the same opportunities. They were also more likely to be killed or wounded in combat.

### **The Rich Man's War**

The Vietnam War was a very different experience for the sons of wealthy families than it was for the sons of poor families. Wealthy young men were often able to avoid the draft by attending college or by getting a deferment. They were also more likely to serve in non-combat roles, such as as officers or pilots.

Even the wealthy young men who did serve in combat often had a very different experience than their poorer counterparts. They were more likely to be assigned to safer positions, and they were more likely to have access to better equipment and medical care.

As a result, the sons of wealthy families were much less likely to be killed or wounded in combat than the sons of poor families.

### **The Poor Man's War**

The Vietnam War was a much more difficult experience for the sons of poor families. These young men were often drafted into the military, and they had little choice but to go to war. They were often less educated than their wealthier counterparts, and they were less likely to have the same opportunities. They were also more likely to be killed or wounded in combat.

The sons of poor families were often assigned to the most dangerous combat roles. They were more likely to be sent to fight in the jungles of Vietnam, and they were more likely to be exposed to enemy fire. They were also more likely to be killed or wounded by disease or accidents.

As a result, the sons of poor families were much more likely to die in the Vietnam War than the sons of wealthy families.

## **The Impact of the War**

The Vietnam War had a profound impact on the lives of young men, both rich and poor. The war left a lasting legacy of death and destruction, and it changed the lives of millions of Americans.

For the sons of wealthy families, the Vietnam War was a time of great opportunity. They were able to prove their patriotism, and they were able to follow in the footsteps of their fathers. They also gained valuable experience that would help them in their future careers.

For the sons of poor families, the Vietnam War was a time of great loss. They were more likely to be killed or wounded in combat, and they were more likely to suffer from the effects of war long after the fighting stopped. The war also had a negative impact on their education and their job prospects.

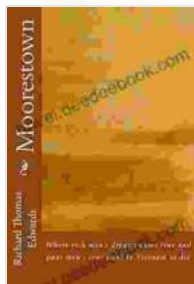
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