The U.S. Coast Guard in Vietnam:

A Scrapbook of Images from Coast Guardsman Captain Gerald Underwood, USCG (Ret.)

The following scrapbook was created from scans of Gerald Underwood’s personal photographs of his tours of duty in Vietnam. While assigned there, he commanded CGC POINT BANKS, based out of Cat Lo, Vung Tau and operated in areas from Cam Rahn Bay south to the Mekong Delta. He also commanded Con Son LORAN station. He was awarded the Bronze Star Medal with the Combat Distinguishing Device “V”.

![Image of US Coast Guard Squadron 1 emblem with "VIET NAM" text]
For service as set forth in the following Citation:

For meritorious service while serving with friendly foreign forces engaged in armed conflict against the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong communist aggressors in the Republic of Vietnam from October 1968 to October 1969. Lieutenant Junior Grade Underwood served as Commanding Officer, United States Coast Guard Cutter POINT BANKS. His aggressive leadership and mature judgment made his ship a highly effective Operation MARKET TIME unit, compiling an impressive record in carrying out all phases of coastal patrol and enabling his unit to suppress enemy fire on numerous occasions and inflict substantial losses on the enemy while sustaining neither material damage nor personnel casualties to his own unit. He was also instrumental in improving the material condition of his craft and maintaining morale at a high level. Lieutenant Junior Grade Underwood’s exemplary professionalism and devotion to duty reflected great credit upon himself and were keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.

Lieutenant Junior Grade Underwood retired at the rank of Captain.
USCGC POINT BANKS

HEAD HUNTERS
U.S. COAST GUARD
DIVISION 13
SQUADRON ONE
LCOR J.J. SMITH
DIVISION COMMANDER
Hội non-sông cây cối tại chốn này,
Các người thật nhiều duyên tốt sợi,
Nên được gán danh dại hiện trong lực đạo đó.

Đuợc nghe tiếng người tài bao so khai,
Còn ta duy vị-duyên il nguồn,
Đến chốn này thật dã mun đang

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