



Sid Sidebottom MP ... for a fair go in Braddon

Media Release

New Memorial Site for Burnie Vietnam Vets

A MEMORIAL to Vietnam Veterans will be relocated from Burnie to Somerset thanks to a \$4000 grant from the Federal Government, Federal Member for Braddon Sid Sidebottom said.

The funding has been approved as part of the Rudd Government's *Saluting Their Service* commemorations program.

"This grant will allow the group to install a Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Anzac Park, Somerset, dedicated to local veterans who served in the Vietnam War," Mr Sidebottom said.

"Before now, a temporary memorial site had been located in Little High Street, Burnie."

"The memorial will see a bronze replica of the Long Tan Cross installed on the highway side of the wall.

"Surrounding it will be a garden of native shrubs as well as a permanent footing for a demountable flagpole and bench seat."

Mr Sidebottom congratulated to Association for raising an additional \$2,600 towards the project.

"This is a fantastic example of this group banding together for a common cause," he said.

"Volunteers from the association will also work together to prepare the site and to complete the landscape part of the memorial."

The *Saluting Their Service* program provides funding to help community and ex-service organisations honour the service and sacrifice of Australia's servicemen and women in wars, conflicts and peace operations.

For more information about *Saluting Their Service* and how to apply for funding visit www.dva.gov.au/commemorations/grants.

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