

# 19 (Luciano Pardini Remix)

## Paul Hardcastle

They fought the longest war in American history  
They fought the longest war in American history In 1965 Vietnam seemed like just another foreign war,  
but it wasn't.  
It was different in many ways, as so were those that did the fighting.  
In World War II the average age of the combat soldier was 26  
In Vietnam he was 19.  
In ininininin Vietnam he was 19. The shooting and fighting of the past two weeks continued today  
25 miles west of Saigon  
I really wasn't sure what was going on Nininini Nineteen, 19, Ni-nineteen 19  
19,19,19,19 In Vietnam the combat soldier typically served a twelve month tour of duty but  
was exposed to hostile fire almost everyday  
Nininininininininin 19 nininininninin 19 Hundreds of Thousands of men who saw heavy combat in Vietnam  
were arrested  
since discharge  
Their arrest rate is almost twice that of non-veterans of the same age.  
There are no accurate figures of how many of these men have been incarcerated.  
But, a Veterans Administration study concludes that the greater of Vets  
exposure to combat could more likely affect his chances of being arrested or  
convicted. This is one legacy of the Vietnam War All those who remember the war  
They won't forget what they've seen  
Destruction of men in their prime  
whose average was 19  
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War, War  
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Dededededededede-Destruction  
War, War After World War II the Men came home together on troop ships, but the Vietnam  
Vet often arrived home within 48 hours of jungle combat  
Perhaps the most dramatic difference between World War II and Vietnam was  
coming home, none of them received a hero's welcome  
None of them received a heroes welcome, none of them, none of them  
Nenene Nenene None of them, none of them, none of them (etc)  
None of them received a hero's welcome  
None of them received a hero's welcome According to a Veteran's Administration study  
Half of the Vietnam combat veterans suffered from what Psychiatrists call  
Post-Traumatic-Stress-Disorder  
Many vets complain of alienation, rage, or guilt  
Some succumb to suicidal thoughts

Eight to Ten years after coming home almost eight-hundred-thousand men are  
still fighting the Vietnam WarDededededededede-DestructionNinininininininin Nineteen, 19, Ni-nineteen 19  
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19,19,19,19When we came back it was different  
Everybody wants to know "How'd it  
happened to those guys over there  
There's gotta be something wrong somewhere  
We did what we had to do  
There's gotta be something wrong somewhere  
People wanted us to be ashamed of what it made us  
Dad had no idea what he went to fight and he is now  
All we want to do is come home  
All we want to do is come home  
What did we do it for  
All we want to do is come home  
Was it worth it?

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