

# Bush on Vietnam

**RUSSERT:** Were you favor of the war in Vietnam?

**BUSH:** I supported my government. I did. And would have gone had my unit been called up, by the way.

**RUSSERT:** But you didn't volunteer or enlist to go.

**BUSH:** No, I didn't. You're right.

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"I was not prepared to shoot my eardrum out with a shotgun in order to get a deferment. Nor was I willing to go to Canada. So I chose to better myself by learning how to fly airplanes."

George W. Bush, 1990  
as quoted in *The Houston Chronicle*  
May 8th, 1994.