

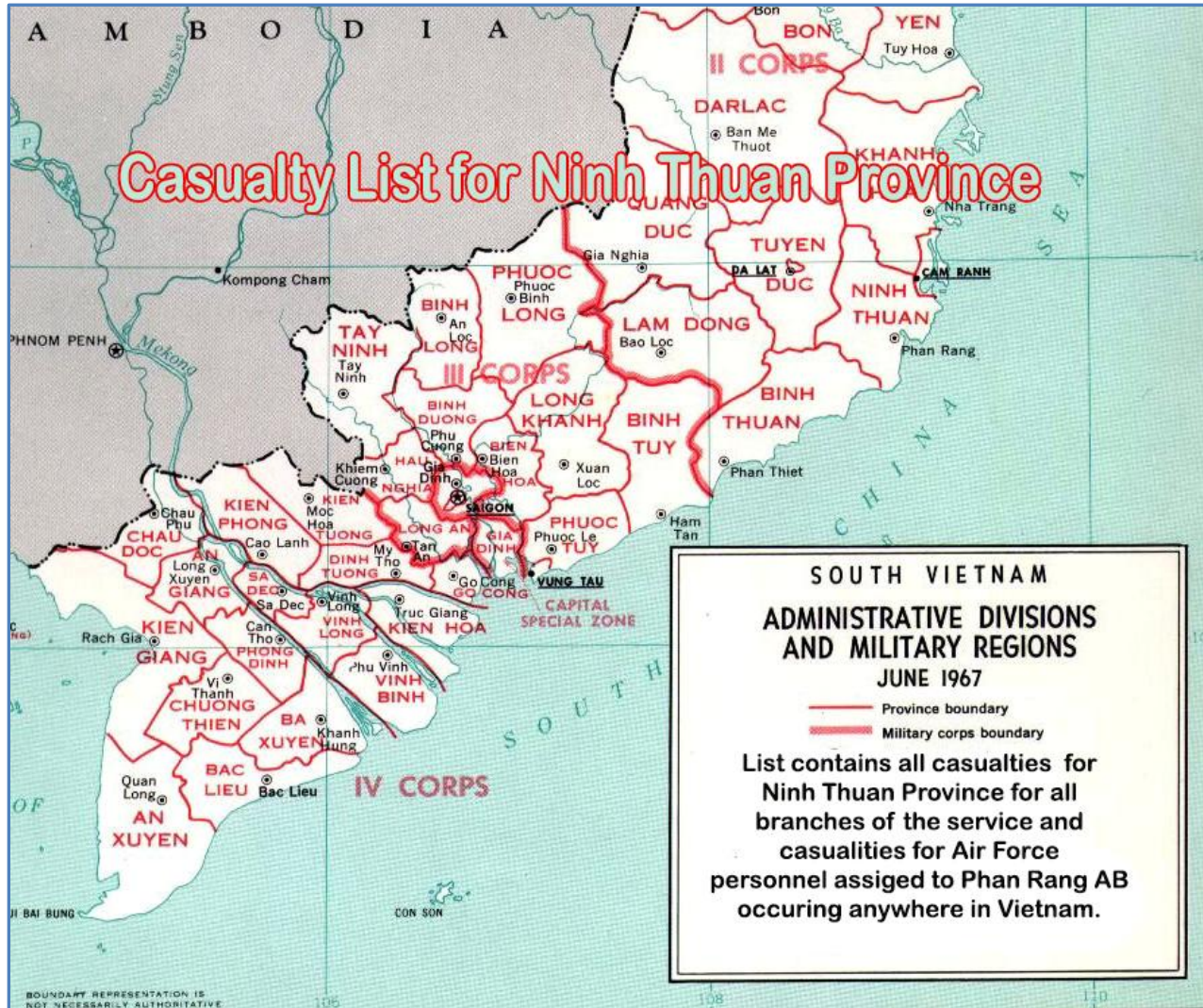
# Phan Rang AB Newsletter

The History of Phan Rang AB and the stories of those who served there.  
"Keeping the memories alive" Newsletter 155

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Note: Footnotes give Event leading to death or cause.









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NAME Service/GRD	CASUALTY DATE	BIRTH DATE	CAUSE OF DEATH	PICTURE
<b>Aamold</b> , Daniel Lawrence Air Force/435 <sup>th</sup> MMS* A1C	Aug 20, 1970	Aug 23, 1951	Non-hostile, ground casualty accidental self- destruction <sup>1</sup>	
<b>Abbott</b> , Robert William Air Force/4 <sup>th</sup> ACS Maj Panel 04E - Line 19	Dec 17, 1965	Oct 19, 1920	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing Pilot Air loss, crash on land <sup>2</sup>	
<b>Abernathy</b> , Robert Lloyd Air Force/4 <sup>th</sup> ACS Maj Panel 04E - Line 19	Dec 17, 1965	Sep 3, 1928	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-crew air loss-crash on land <sup>3</sup>	
<b>Adkison</b> , Carl Elmus Army SP4 Panel 19W - Line 7	Aug 12, 1969	May 31, 1949	Non-hostile, died of illness/injury, ground casualty, other accident <sup>4</sup>	
<b>Albright</b> , James Milton Navy/NAVSUPACT Lt Panel 16E - Line 50	Mar 10, 1967	Apr 13, 1936	Non-hostile, fixed wing non crew air loss, crash on land <sup>5</sup>	
<b>Aldridge</b> , Herbert Ray Marine/G Co, 2 <sup>nd</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 12	Mar 6, 1968	Nov 28, 1949	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - Noncrew <sup>6</sup>	

<sup>1</sup> ACCIDENT AT PHAN RANG AIR BASE, 9 KM N-NW OF PHAN RANG

<sup>2</sup> AC-47D HIT MOUNTAIN 16-1/2 MILES SOUTH-SOUTHWEST OF PHAN RANG

<sup>3</sup> AC-47D HIT MOUNTAIN 16-1/2 MILES SOUTH-SOUTHWEST OF PHAN RANG

<sup>4</sup> Undetermined.







<sup>5</sup> VC-47 WING FAILURE 5 MILES NORTH OF PHAN RANG

<sup>6</sup> C.

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<b>Alves, Moses Lopes</b> Air Force/17 <sup>th</sup> SOS* Maj. Panel 17W - Line 65	Oct 11, 1969	Nov 23, 1934	Non-Hostile, fixed wing-crew Air Loss, Crash on Land <sup>7</sup>	
<b>Andersen, Martin</b> Weigner Air Force/13 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq.* Maj Panel 25E - Line 15	Aug 19, 1967	May 22, 1930	Hostile, fixed wing-crew Air loss, crash on land <sup>8</sup>	
<b>Anderson, David George</b> Marine/H&S Cim 1 <sup>st</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 24	Mar 6, 1968	Jun 13, 1949	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - Noncrew <sup>9</sup>	
<b>Andrews, George</b> Robert Air Force/615 TFS* Capt Panel 17W - Line 80	Oct 12 1969	Nov 4, 1943	Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed wing-pilot <sup>10</sup>	
<b>Anselmo, William Frank</b> USAF/15 <sup>th</sup> Aerial Port Sq SSgt Panel 30W - Line 62	Mar 6, 1968	Aug 22, 1944	Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - noncrew <sup>11</sup>	
<b>Arthington, Marvin S</b> Air Force/315 TAW* 1Lt	Nov 27, 1970	Oct 22, 1946	Non-hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed wing - pilot <sup>12</sup>	

<sup>7</sup> An AC-119 52-5907 gunship, radio call sign Shadow 76, crashed as it was taking off from Tan Son Nhut when an engine failed and caught fire. With all its armament and ammunition together with a full fuel load the single-engined performance of the AC-119G was insufficient to enable it to stay airborne. Six of the 10 crew were killed in the accident. SSgt Bradford was a photographer with the 600th Photo Squadron.

<sup>8</sup> STRIKE ON STORAGE AREA 5 MILES WEST OF LAI KHE

<sup>9</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>10</sup> F-100D 56-3069 vicinity Thuy Dong, 30 miles west of Saigon (kien Tuong Province)






<sup>11</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base. Body not recovered.

<sup>12</sup> C-123K 55-4574 hit mountain 17 miles southwest of Nha Trang, 6 US and 73 Vietnamese killed

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<b>Arthur, Johnny</b> Army/192 <sup>nd</sup> AHC* SP5 Panel 03W - Line 71	Jun 10, 1971	Sep 6, 1949	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land, Helicopter-Crew <sup>13</sup>	
<b>Baker, Robert Lee</b> Air Force/315 TAW* Maj	Nov 27, 1970	Jun 7, 1930	Non-hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - crew <sup>14</sup>	
<b>Beale, George Eugene</b> Marine/2 <sup>nd</sup> Bn, 26 <sup>th</sup> Marines PFC	Mar 6, 1968	Jan 2, 1949	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - Noncrew <sup>15</sup>	
<b>Beauford Jr., Willis</b> Marine/B Co, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 13	Mar 6, 1968	Dec 17, 1946	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - Noncrew <sup>16</sup>	
<b>Beedy, George</b> Army/B Btry, 5 <sup>th</sup> BN SP4	Nov 29, 1970	Oct 13, 1949	Non-hostile, died missing, fixed wing - non-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>17</sup>	
<b>Bell, David Leroy</b> Army/21 <sup>st</sup> S&S Co SP4 Panel 32W - Line 31	Feb 14, 1969	Feb 4, 1949	Hostile, ground casualty Other explosive device <sup>18</sup>	

<sup>13</sup> UH-1C 66-00597 33 KM S-SW OF PHU NHON AFLD We were flying cover for a sniffer mission. I was the aircraft commander of UH-1C 66-00597 when we crashed in the jungle and the crash site was not accessible due to the fire in the immediate area and the jungle cover. The low bird (UH-1H) made a pass of the area and the crew chief Greg Shepard jumped into a tree top and started to climb down the tree when he was blown out of the tree by the rotor wash of his aircraft breaking his arm. He pulled both pilots away from the fire. Both the crew chief and gunner (Arthur and Montoya) on the UH-1C were killed. Steve A. Watson July 1997. The aircraft started a steep descent to make an LZ recon. A slick pilot, Eugene J. Breslin, observed the aircraft from 3 to 4 miles away. He observed a bright orange flame from the area of the engine when the gunship was approximately 400 feet AGL. Copilot Robert E. Goolsby made a mayday call. The aircraft continued a steep descent and disappeared into the high canopy jungle followed by an explosion at ground impact.

<sup>14</sup> C-123K 55-4574 hit mountain 17 miles southwest of Nha Trang

<sup>15</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>16</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.








<sup>17</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

<sup>18</sup> Undetermined.

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<b>Bennett</b> , James Harvey Air Force/14 <sup>th</sup> ACS* Sgt (Aerial Gunner) Panel 39E - Line 42	Feb 15, 1968	Sep 23, 1943	Hostile, died while missing, Fixed Wing Crew air loss, crash on land <sup>19</sup>	
<b>Bestmann</b> , Charles Edward Air Force/99 <sup>th</sup> SPS Sgt Panel 38W - Line 82	Nov 28, 1968	Sep 1, 1946	Non-hostile, died of illness/injury, ground casualty vehicle crash <sup>20</sup>	
<b>Blackwell</b> , Joseph Carlton Army/A BTRY 5 <sup>th</sup> BN Sgt	Nov 29, 1970	Sep 19, 1948	Non-Hostile, died missing, Fixed Wing - Non-crew Air loss-crash on land <sup>21</sup>	
<b>Bledsoe</b> , Milard Luther Air Force/35 <sup>th</sup> CES* SSgt Panel 41W - Line 38	Oct 10, 1968	Jan 10, 1938	Non-hostile, helicopter crew air loss, crash on land <sup>22</sup>	
<b>Bodin</b> , James Allen Air Force/315 TAW* Sgt	Nov 27, 1970	Jan 19, 1950	Non-hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - Noncrew <sup>23</sup>	
<b>Boggs</b> , Donnie Rex Army SP4 Panel 11W - Line 54	Apr 26, 1970	Nov 14, 1950	Non-hostile, died of illness/injury, ground casualty accidental homicide <sup>24</sup>	
<b>Boone</b> , Alan Ransom Army/299 <sup>th</sup> Eng Bn Capt Panel 02W - Line 43	Oct 19, 1971	Dec 4, 1947	Non-hostile, fixed wing- crew Air Loss, crash on land <sup>25</sup>	

<sup>19</sup> AC-47D 43-49859 5 MILES SOUTH OF PHAN RANG AFLD

<sup>20</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>21</sup> C-123K HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

<sup>22</sup> HH-43E Helicopter with MECHANICAL FAILURE, CRASHED AT PHAN RANG AIR BASE

<sup>23</sup> C-123K 55-4574 hit mountain 17 miles southwest of Nha Trang

<sup>24</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>25</sup> AIRCRAFT ENTERED INSTRUMENT CONDITIONS, HIT MOUNTAIN 24 KM SOUTH OF PHAN RANG AIR BASE

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<b>Boyer, Charles Goodhue</b> Marine/H&S Co, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 14	Mar 6, 1968	Feb 28, 1949	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - Noncrew <sup>26</sup>	
<b>Bradford, Ellsworth Smith</b> Air Force/600 <sup>th</sup> Photo Sq. SSgt. Panel 17W - Line 65	Oct 11, 1969	Jun 18, 1925	Non-Hostile Fixed Wing- Noncrew Air Loss, Crash on Land <sup>27</sup>	
<b>Bradshaw, Jesse John</b> Air Force/309 SOS* SSgt Panel 36W - Line 32	Dec 17, 1968	Dec 16, 1931	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes Air loss or crash over land Fixed wing-crew <sup>28</sup>	 <small>May</small>
<b>Brice, Ronnie</b> Army/A Btry, 4 <sup>th</sup> Bn Pvt Panel 05W - Line 54	Jan 19, 1971	Oct 28, 1959	Non-hostile, ground casualty vehicle crash <sup>29</sup>	
<b>Brignac, Joseph Paul</b> Marine/B Co, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN CPL Panel 43E - Line 14	Mar 6, 1968	Nov 6, 1943	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - Noncrew <sup>30</sup>	 <small>Joseph Paul Brignac</small>
<b>Brooks, Donald Ray</b> Air Force/38 <sup>th</sup> ARRS* Maj Panel 41W - Line 38	Oct 10, 1968	Sep 30, 1931	Non-hostile, helicopter crew air loss, crash on land <sup>31</sup>	
<b>Brown, Donald George</b> Navy/TF 115, HQ LCDR Panel 16E - Line 50	Mar 10 1967	Jul 19 1932	Non-hostile, fixed wing- non-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>32</sup>	

<sup>26</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>27</sup> An AC-119 52-5907 gunship, radio call sign Shadow 76, crashed as it was taking off from Tan Son Nhut when an engine failed and caught fire. With all its armament and ammunition together with a full fuel load the single-engine performance of the AC-119G was insufficient to enable it to stay airborne. Six of the 10 crew were killed in the accident. SSgt Bradford was a photographer with the 600th Photo Squadron.

<sup>28</sup> C-123K 54-07-8 crashed shortly after take-off, 5 km southeast of Chu Lai air field

<sup>29</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>30</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.








<sup>31</sup> MECHANICAL FAILURE, CRASHED AT PHAN RANG AIR BASE

<sup>32</sup> VC-47J 99844 WING FAILURE 5 MILES NORTH OF PHAN RANG

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<b>Brown</b> , Richard Allen Air Force/311 <sup>th</sup> SOS* LTC Panel 36W - Line 33	Dec 17, 1968	Sep 8, 1923	Non-hostile, fixed wing pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>33</sup>	
<b>Brubaker</b> , Norman Curtis Army/D BTRY, 6 <sup>th</sup> BN SSgt Panel 60E - Line 19	May 15, 1968	Dec 8, 1945	Hostile, ground casualty Gun, Small Arms fire <sup>34</sup>	
<b>Buckley</b> , Francis Richard Air Force/4 <sup>th</sup> ACS 1Lt Panel 04E - Line 20	Dec 17, 1965	Feb 21, 1939	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing - crew Air Loss, crash on land <sup>35</sup>	
<b>Buerk</b> , William Carl Air Force/614 TFS Maj Panel 04W - Line 118	Apr 11, 1970	Feb 15, 1940	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land Fixed wing - Pilot <sup>36</sup>	
<b>Bumstead</b> , Donald Royce Marine/D Co, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 15	Mar 6, 1968	Mar 30, 1949	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - Noncrew <sup>37</sup>	
<b>Burch</b> , David Felix Air Force/35 <sup>th</sup> TFW* A1C Panel 23W - Line 51	Jun 3, 1969	Feb 24, 1949	Non-hostile, died of illness/injury, ground casualty other accident <sup>38</sup>	
<b>Burkart</b> , Charles Williams Jr. Air Force/13 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq.* Col Panel 08E - Line 44	Jun 13, 1966	May 17, 1931	Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing-Pilot <sup>39</sup>	

<sup>33</sup> C-123K 54-0708 CRASHED SHORT LY AFTER TAKE-OFF, 5 KM SOUTHEAST OF CHU LAI AIR FIELD

<sup>34</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>35</sup> AC-47D 43-49492 HIT MOUNTAIN 16-1/2 MILES SOUTH-SOUTHWEST OF PHAN RANG

<sup>36</sup> A flight of F-100s was flying a close air support mission a few miles to the southwest of Dak To when one of the aircraft was shot down. Capt Buerk was making his first pass on a target when he was shot down and killed before he could escape from his aircraft.

<sup>37</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.








<sup>38</sup> FELL FROM TRUCK, STRINGING CONSTANTINA WIRE ON THE PERIMETER ROAD WHEN THE VEHICLE HIT A BUMP AND HE FELL FROM THE TRUCK.

<sup>39</sup> CIL 10019; USAFKIA 528; Hobson B-57E 55-4268 - Redacted from LibCong on-line MIA files. UTM from JTF rpt dtd 09Dec94.

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<b>Burrell</b> , Charles Franklin Air Force/19 SOS* 1Lt Panel 17W - Line 60	Oct 10, 1969	Aug 14, 1945	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes Air loss or crash over land Fixed wing - crew <sup>40</sup>	
<b>Busch</b> , Elwin Harry Air Force/8 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq.* Capt Panel 21E - Line 77	Jun 9, 1967	Jan 11, 1932	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing - Pilot Air Loss, crash on land <sup>41</sup>	
<b>Bush</b> , James Army/HHC 54 <sup>th</sup> GS GRP SFC Panel 11W - Line 78	May 1, 1970	Sep 14, 1941	Non-Hostile, ground casualty Intentional Homicide <sup>42</sup>	
<b>Bush</b> , Milton Jackson Air Force/310 <sup>th</sup> SOS* SGT Panel 24W - Line 36	May 18, 1969	Apr 8, 1947	Hostile, died outright air loss or crash over land fixed wing-crew <sup>43</sup>	
<b>Canup</b> , William David Air Force/615 TFS* Capt Panel 48E - Line 24	Apr 6, 1968	May 23, 1941	Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed wing-pilot <sup>44</sup>	
<b>Carter</b> , Greg Roy Army SP4 Panel 05W - Line 90	Feb 9, 1971	Aug 28, 1951	Hostile, ground casualty other explosive device <sup>45</sup>	
<b>Carver</b> , Robert Charles RAAF/No. 2 Squadron* PO	Nov 3, 1970	Feb 7, 1946	46	

<sup>40</sup> C-123K 54-0642 crashed on take-off from Rach Gia City air field

<sup>41</sup> B-57B 53-3908 GROUND FIRE NEAR HAO CHU HI MOUNTAIN, 10 MILES NORTH OF PHAN RANG

<sup>42</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>43</sup> C-123K 54-0639 HIT NEAR TANH LINH, UNCONTROLLABLE ENGINE FIRE, CRASHED 13 KM  
NORTHEAST OF BIEN HOA CITY

<sup>44</sup> F-100D 55-2911 ground fire during air strike, crashed near highway GL-19 22 km west-northwest of An Khe

<sup>45</sup> MINE, 15 KM W-NW OF PHAN RANG AB






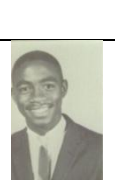

<sup>46</sup> See [Phan Rang Newsletter 147](#) “Magpie 91”.



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<b>Caudill II</b> , Elmon C. Air Force/615 <sup>th</sup> TFS* 1Lt	Nov 29, 1970	Mar 14, 1945	Non-hostile, died missing, fixed wing-non-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>47</sup>	
<b>Cestarcic</b> , Joseph Anthony Air Force/12 <sup>th</sup> CES MSgt Panel 04E - Line 20	Dec 17, 1965	Nov 15, 1918	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-non-crew air loss crash on land <sup>48</sup>	
<b>Chapman</b> , Cecil Leroy Navy ADR2 Panel 16E - Line 51	Mar 10, 1967	Jul 31, 1941	Non-hostile, fixed wing- crew air loss, crash on land <sup>49</sup>	
<b>Chappell</b> , John Monroe Air Force/12 <sup>th</sup> CES TSgt Panel 04E - Line 20	Dec 17, 1965	Nov 2, 1929	Non-hostile, fixed wing- non-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>50</sup>	
<b>Chenis</b> , Mark Constant Air Force/615 <sup>th</sup> TFS* 1Lt Panel 41W - Line 68	Oct 17, 1968	Nov 10, 1944	Non-hostile, fixed wing- pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>51</sup>	
<b>Childress</b> , Calvin Buster Army/HHC, 35 <sup>th</sup> Eng Gp SFC Panel 02W - Line 44	Oct 19, 1971	Oct 11, 1938	Non-hostile, fixed wing- non-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>52</sup>	
<b>Clark, Jr.</b> , John Howard Marine/2 <sup>nd</sup> BN, 26 <sup>th</sup> Marines LCPL Panel 43E - Line 15	Mar 6, 1968	Sep 21, 1947	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - Noncrew <sup>53</sup>	
<b>Cofer</b> , Arthur William Air Force/612 <sup>th</sup> TFS* Capt Panel 30W - Line 100	Mar 10, 1969	Dec 9, 1941	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>54</sup>	

<sup>47</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

<sup>48</sup> AC-47D 43-49492 HIT MOUNTAIN 16-1/2 MILES SOUTH-SOUTHWEST OF PHAN RANG

<sup>49</sup> VC-47J 99844 WING FAILURE 5 MILES NORTH OF PHAN RANG

<sup>50</sup> AC-47D 43-49492 HIT MOUNTAIN 16-1/2 MILES SOUTH-SOUTHWEST OF PHAN RANG

<sup>51</sup> F-100D 55-2929 ABORTED TAKE OFF, PHAN RANG AIR BASE

<sup>52</sup> U6A Beaver AIRCRAFT ENTERED INSTRUMENT CONDITIONS, HIT MOUNTAIN 24 KM SOUTH OF PHAN RANG AIR BASE









<sup>53</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>54</sup> F-100D 56-3380 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT MISSION 25 MILES WEST OF NHA TRANG

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<b>Coleman</b> , Billie Lee Army SFC Panel 02W - Line 44	Oct 20, 1971	Dec 4, 1931	Non-hostile, died of illness/injury, ground casualty burns <sup>55</sup>	
<b>Conlin</b> , Jeffrey Francis Air Force/311 <sup>th</sup> ACS* Sgt Panel 43E - Line 16	Mar 6, 1968	Jul 18, 1945	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - crew (Loadmaster) <sup>56</sup>	
<b>Cook</b> , Glenn Richard Air Force/21 <sup>st</sup> TAS* Capt Panel 17W - Line 100	Oct 21, 1969	Sep 10, 1945	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-pilot air loss crash on land <sup>57</sup>	
<b>Cooper</b> , George Grady Air Force/13 TBS* Capt Panel 14E - Line 60	Jan 21, 1967	Jul 28, 1928	Hostile, died outright Air Loss or crash over land fixed wing-pilot <sup>58</sup>	
<b>Costner</b> , Johnny Phillip Army/497 <sup>th</sup> Eng Co Sgt	Nov 10, 1970	Dec 29, 1939	Non-Hostile Ground Casualty <sup>59</sup>	
<b>Cottrell</b> , Duane Allan Army/D Co, 299 <sup>th</sup> Eng Bn SP4 Panel 02W - Line 24	Sep 23, 1971	Jul 25, 1946	Non-Hostile Ground Casualty <sup>60</sup>	
<b>Cowell</b> , Richard John Air Force/615 TFS* Capt Panel 13W - Line 102	Mar 9, 1969	Jul 19, 1942	Hostile, died of wounds Air loss or crash over land Fixed wing - pilot <sup>61</sup>	
<b>Crawford</b> , John Calvin Navy Lt Panel 16E - Line 51	Mar 10, 1967	Oct 3, 1936	Non-Hostile, fixed wing- Non-crew Air loss, crash on land <sup>62</sup>	

<sup>55</sup> BUNKER EXPLOSION 15 KM SW CAM RANH BAY AFLD

<sup>56</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>57</sup> AIRCRAFT (0-2 68-10975) DISAPPEARED APPROX 43 KM NORTHEAST OF DALAT

<sup>58</sup> B-57B 52-1557 hit by ground fire 11 miles west of Katum

<sup>59</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>60</sup> AT CAM RANH BAY COMPLEX





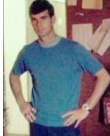


<sup>61</sup> F-100D 56-2890 received AAA fire 21 miles west of Kham Duc, picked up, DOW at Chu Lai

<sup>62</sup> VC-47J 99844 WING FAILURE 5 MILES NORTH OF PHAN RANG

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<p><b>Crist, Kenneth Roy</b> Air Force/390 TFS, 366TFW* Capt Panel 36W - Line 34</p>	<p>Dec 17, 1968</p>	<p>Aug 25, 1944</p>	<p>Non-hostile, died of illness or injury Air loss or crash over land Fixed wing-crew<sup>63</sup></p>	
<p><b>Crum, Duane</b> Army 1Lt Panel 03W - Line 129</p>	<p>Aug 13, 1971</p>	<p>Oct 30, 1971</p>	<p>Non-hostile, ground casualty<sup>64</sup></p>	
<p><b>Dart Jr., Walter Joseph</b> Air Force/35<sup>th</sup> CSS* SSgt Panel 23W - Line 98</p>	<p>Jun 7, 1969</p>	<p>Feb 21, 1947</p>	<p>Hostile ground casualty artillery rocket or mortar<sup>65</sup></p>	
<p><b>Davis, Richard John</b> Army/B CO, 8<sup>TH</sup> ENG BN, 1<sup>ST</sup> CAV DIV* Capt Panel 19E - Line 80</p>	<p>May 10, 1967</p>	<p>Jun 10, 1936</p>	<p>Hostile, died of wounds, ground casualty Gun, Small Arms Fire<sup>66</sup></p>	
<p><b>Deas, Charles Milton</b> Air Force/310<sup>th</sup> TAS* 1Lt Panel 05W - Line 95</p>	<p>Feb 11, 1971</p>	<p>Mar 4, 1945</p>	<p>Non-Hostile, fixed wing- Pilot Air Loss, Crash on Land<sup>67</sup></p>	
<p><b>Defenbaugh, Franklin D.</b> Army/SVC Btry, 5<sup>th</sup> BN CWO</p>	<p>Nov 29, 1970</p>	<p>Aug 23, 1933</p>	<p>Non-hostile, fixed wing- non-crew air loss, crash on land<sup>68</sup></p>	
<p><b>Del Rosario, Joseph Jesus</b> Air Force/35<sup>th</sup> CES* SSgt Panel 26W - Line 90</p>	<p>May 1, 1969</p>	<p>Oct 30, 1926</p>	<p>Non-hostile, ground casualty heart attack<sup>69</sup></p>	

<sup>63</sup> F-4D 66-7646 landing accident at Da Nang AB

<sup>64</sup> AT CAM RANH ARMY AIR FIELD

<sup>65</sup> MORTAR ATTACK ON PHAN RANG AIR BASE

<sup>66</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>67</sup> UC-123K 56-4373 CRASHED AT PHAN RANG AIR BASE









<sup>68</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

<sup>69</sup> Undetermined.

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<b>Delano</b> , Darwin James Army/B CO, 589 <sup>th</sup> Eng Bn* SP4 Panel 38W - Line 65	Nov 26, 1968	May 23, 1947	Hostile, ground casualty other explosive device <sup>70</sup>	
<b>Delphin</b> , Barry Ronal Air Force/614 <sup>th</sup> TFS* Capt Panel 16E - Line 120	Mar 19, 1967	Apr 21, 1940	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land fixed wing-pilot <sup>71</sup>	
<b>Dixon</b> , Warren Mitchell Air Force/14 <sup>th</sup> ACS* SSgt (Flight Engineer) Panel 39E - Line 45	Feb 15, 1968	Oct 21, 1944	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>72</sup>	
<b>Douglas</b> , Terry Lee Army/21 <sup>st</sup> S&S Co PVT Panel 50W - Line 22	Jul 28, 1968	Aug 26, 1947	Non-hostile, ground casualty accidental homicide <sup>73</sup>	
<b>Dugan</b> , Thomas Wayne Air Force/8 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq.* Col Panel 36W - Line 14	Dec 13, 1968	May 31, 1933	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-pilot air loss crash on land <sup>74</sup>	
<b>Dunn</b> , Donald Louis Air Force/310 <sup>th</sup> TAS* MSGT Panel 05W - Line 95	Feb 11, 1971	Oct 17, 1932	Non-hostile, fixed wing non-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>75</sup>	
<b>Eaton</b> , Norman Dale Air Force/35 <sup>th</sup> TFW* Col Panel 35W - Line 82	Jan 13, 1969	Aug 11, 1925	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>76</sup>	
<b>Eckes</b> , William Carl Navy/NAVSUPACT JO1 Panel 16E - Line 51	Mar 10, 1967	Sep 20, 1940	Non-hostile, fixed wing non-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>77</sup>	

<sup>70</sup> AMBUSH ON HWY QL-1 SOUTH OF PHAN RANG

<sup>71</sup> F-100 55-2912 attack on and support of FSB #14 vicinity of Bau Bang, 9 KM north of Lai Khe Air Field

<sup>72</sup> AC-47D 43-49859 5 MILES SOUTH OF PHAN RANG AFLD

<sup>73</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>74</sup> MID-AIR C-123K 54-0600 AND B-57E 55-4284 40 KM N-NW OF TCHEPONE

<sup>75</sup> UC-123K 56-4373 CRASHED AT PHAN RANG AIR BASE







<sup>76</sup> B-57B 52-1561 40 KM SOUTH OF KHE SANH AFLD

<sup>77</sup> VC-47J 99844 WING FAILURE 5 MILES NORTH OF PHAN RANG

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<b>Ecklund</b> , Arthur Gene Army/1 <sup>st</sup> AVN BDE Maj Panel 27W - Line 6	Apr 3, 1969	May 5, 1943	Non-hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>78</sup>	
<b>Elliott III</b> , George Lynwood Marine/A Btry, 1 <sup>st</sup> Bn PFC Panel 43E - Line 17	Mar 6, 1968	Oct 17, 1948	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - Noncrew <sup>79</sup>	
<b>Ellison</b> , Robert Civ, Newsweek Magazine	Mar 6, 1968	Jul 6, 1944	Hostile, fixed wing-noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>80</sup>	
<b>Espenshied</b> , John Lee Air Force/558 <sup>th</sup> TFS Col Panel 17W - Line 101	Oct 21, 1969	Aug 17, 1934	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-non-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>81</sup>	
<b>Evans Jr.</b> , John Harper Air Force/35 <sup>th</sup> SPS* Amn	Aug 7, 1970	Apr 1, 1959	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes accidental self-destruction ground casualty <sup>82</sup>	
<b>Evans</b> , Douglas McArthur Air Force/310 <sup>th</sup> SOS* 1LT Panel 24W - Line 39	May 18, 1969	Nov 21, 1942	Hostile, died outright air loss or crash over land fixed wing-crew <sup>83</sup>	

<sup>78</sup> (0-1g 51-12078) SOUTH SLOPE OF NUI E GUE MOUNTAIN 30 KM WEST-SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY AIR FIELD

<sup>79</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>80</sup> Graduated from the University of Florida and changed his major from herpetology to photography. He photographed the march of Martin Luther King from Selma Alabama to Montgomery for Ebony magazine. The Digital Journalist website (<http://digitaljournalist.org>) states that after his arrival in Vietnam in 1968 he "bribed his way onto a helicopter headed for Khe Sanh with a case of beer and a box of cigars". Photographing at the battle of Khe Sanh was a short experience as he died on 6 March when the C-123 cargo plane he was on leaving the base was shot down. That month one of his photographs of that battle of an exploding ammunition dump at Khe Sanh was on the cover of Newsweek on March 18, 1968 and he was posthumously given the Overseas Press Club's award for best coverage from abroad.

<sup>81</sup> AIRCRAFT (0-2A 68-10975) DISAPPEARED APPROX 43 KM NORTHEAST OF DALAT








<sup>82</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>83</sup> C-123K 54-0639 HIT NEAR TANH LINH, UNCONTROLLABLE ENGINE FIRE, CRASHED 13 KM NORTHEAST OF BIEN HOA CITY

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<b>Fauser Jr., Russell Jay</b> Marine Corp. CPL (Observer) Panel 39E - Line 46	Feb 15, 1968	Oct 23, 1948	Hostile, fixed wing-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>84</sup>	 Fauser
<b>Ferron Jr., Francis</b> Raymond Navy Panel 16E - Line 51	Mar 10, 1967	Nov 3, 1947	Non-hostile, fixed wing-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>85</sup>	
<b>Fitzgerald, Mark Joseph</b> Army 1Lt Panel 02W - Line 110	Feb 25, 1972	Jan 29, 1950	Non-hostile, helicopter-pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>86</sup>	
<b>Fitzpatrick, Bryan Francis</b> RAAF/No. 2 Squadron* Corporal	Dec 3, 1969	1932	Accidental (Motor Vehicle Accident) <sup>87</sup>	
<b>Ford, Bernard Francis</b> Air Force/35 <sup>th</sup> SPS* A1C Panel 23E - Line 10	Jul 5, 1967	Jan 9, 1934	Non-hostile, ground casualty accidental homicide <sup>88</sup>	
<b>Forrester, Lawrence</b> Bradfo Air Force/35 <sup>th</sup> SPS* A1C Panel 02W - Line 21	Sep 20, 1971	May 3, 1951	Non-hostile, ground casualty, vehicle crash <sup>89</sup>	
<b>Fox, Amos Oliver</b> Air Force/615 <sup>th</sup> TFS* Maj Panel 51E - Line 38	Apr 23, 1968	Sep 8. 1930	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land fixed wing-pilot <sup>90</sup>	

<sup>84</sup> AC-47D 43-49859 5 MILES SOUTH OF PHAN RANG AFLD

<sup>85</sup> VC-47J 99844 WING FAILURE 5 MILES NORTH OF PHAN RANG

<sup>86</sup> LOST POWER AFTER TAKE-OFF, CRASHED 4 KM SOUTH-SOUTHEAST OF CAM RANH BAY AIR BASE

<sup>87</sup> Fitzpatrick was on the road to Cam Ranh Bay and his vehicle that he was riding in crashed and it is suspected to be the result of a sniper. He was in the same accident as Ivan Alfred Woolley. Because these two individuals were involved in the same accident their death dates are not the same and apparently one or both died later of injuries sustained in the incident.

<sup>88</sup>Undetermined. His Jeep turned over trying to avoid a chair in the road while responding at night.







<sup>89</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>90</sup> F-100D 55-2923 HIT RIDGELINE DURING MISSED APPROACH TO PHAN RANG AB

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<b>Galbreath</b> , Robert Gene Army/C TRP, 7 <sup>th</sup> Sqdn SP4	Feb 25, 1972	Mar 25, 1952	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land helicopter-noncrew <sup>91</sup>	
<b>Getchell</b> , Paul Everett Air Force/8 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq.* LTC Panel 35W - Line 82	Jan 13, 1969	Oct 12, 1936	Hostile, died while missing air loss or crash over land fixed wing-crew <sup>92</sup>	
<b>Gibbs</b> , Jack Ronald Army/HQ Co, 507 <sup>th</sup> Trans Gp Sgt Panel 06W - Line 90	Nov 29, 1970	Feb 19, 1948	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land fixed wing-noncrew <sup>93</sup>	
<b>Gibson</b> , William Arthur Army/ PFC Panel 41E - Line 20	Feb 25, 1968	Aug 6, 1947	Hostile, ground casualty gun, small arms fire <sup>94</sup>	
<b>Ginart</b> , Donald Francis Air Force/614 <sup>th</sup> TFS* 1LT Panel 23W - Line 52	Jun 3, 1969	Feb 19, 1944	Hostile, fixed wing - PILOT Air Loss, Crash on Land <sup>95</sup>	
<b>Goodman</b> , Norman Elan Army SP4 Panel 35W - Line 89	Jan 14, 1969	May 23, 1948	Hostile, died of wounds, ground casualty artillery, rocket, or mortar <sup>96</sup>	
<b>Goucher</b> , Edward Louis Air Force/19 ACS* Capt Panel 25E - Line 100	Sep 4, 1967	Oct 17, 1938	Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - crew <sup>97</sup>	

<sup>91</sup> UH-1D 66-16840 LOST POWER AFTER TAKE-OFF, CRASHED 4 KM SOUTH-SOUTHEAST OF CAM RANH BAY AIR BASE

<sup>92</sup> B-57B 52-1561 40 KM SOUTH OF KHE SANH AFLD

<sup>93</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER  
<sup>94</sup> TWO MILES FROM PHAN RANG BEACH

<sup>95</sup> F-100D, 55-3790 on a close air support mission about 10 miles southwest of Quan Long in the extreme southern tip of South Vietnam. During his second strafing pass against VC structures his aircraft was hit by anti-aircraft fire and crashed.








<sup>96</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>97</sup> C-123K 54-0621 hit ridgeline 18 KM south-southwest of Bao Loc air field during approach for landing

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<b>Gower, William Ray</b> Air Force/615 <sup>th</sup> TFS Capt Panel 09E - Line 87	Jul 29 1966	Nov 19 1934	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land fixed wing-pilot <sup>98</sup>	
<b>Gray, Michael Douglas</b> Marine/H&S Co, 3 <sup>rd</sup> SVS BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 19	Mar 6, 1968	Oct 31, 1948	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - Noncrew <sup>99</sup>	
<b>Gray, Raymond Henry</b> Army/589 <sup>th</sup> Eng Bn Sgt Panel 06W - Line 91	Nov 29, 1970	Jan 26, 1940	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land fixed wing-noncrew <sup>100</sup>	N/A
<b>Grayson III, Samuel A.</b> Army/SVC Btry, 5 <sup>th</sup> BN SP4	Nov 29, 1970	Oct 5, 1946	Non-hostile, fixed wing, non-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>101</sup>	
<b>Greco, Lee Attilio</b> Air Force/559 <sup>th</sup> TFS Maj Panel 13E - Line 15	Dec 6, 1966	Nov 10, 1933	Hostile, died while missing air loss or crash over land fixed wing -crew <sup>102</sup>	
<b>Green, Clyde Ray</b> Army/ADV Team 45 SSgt Panel 25W - Line 69	May 12, 1969	Jan 29, 1940	Hostile, ground casualty multiple fragmentation wounds <sup>103</sup>	
<b>Greenhouse, Ronald</b> Raphael Army/A TRP, 7 <sup>th</sup> SQDN SP4 Panel 06W - Line 91	Nov 29, 1970	Feb 11, 1948	Non-hostile, died while missing air loss or crash over land fixed wing- noncrew <sup>104</sup>	
<b>Grillo, Lawrence Hugh</b> Air Force/35 <sup>th</sup> SPS* A1C Panel 23W - Line 8	May 24, 1969	Dec 15, 1947	Non-hostile, ground casualty other accident <sup>105</sup>	

<sup>98</sup> F-100D 56-2956 crashed approximately 25 miles west of Saigon

<sup>99</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>100</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

<sup>101</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

<sup>102</sup> F-4C 63-7521 HIT MOUNTAIN DURING RADAR-CONTROLLED DESCENT THRU CLOUDS

<sup>103</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>104</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER








<sup>105</sup> LIGHTNING STRIKE AT PHAN RANG AIR BASE



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<b>Grzegorek, James</b> Andrew Marines/H&S Co, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 19	Mar 6, 1968	Mar 19, 1947	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - Noncrew <sup>106</sup>	
<b>Guck, Ralph Stephen</b> Air Force/14 <sup>th</sup> SPS SSgt	Nov 29, 1970	Mar 27, 1943	Non-hostile, died missing, fixed wing-non-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>107</sup>	
<b>Gunnels, Michael David</b> Air Force/35 <sup>th</sup> AMS* A1C Panel 17W - Line 9	Sep 26, 1969	Dec 15, 1946	Non-hostile, ground casualty accidental self- destruction <sup>108</sup>	
<b>Hall, Blucher Ray</b> Marines/H&S Co, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 19	Mar 6, 1968	Jun 4, 1948	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - Noncrew <sup>109</sup>	
<b>Hall, Marvin Louis</b> Army/C TRP, 7 <sup>th</sup> Sq SP4 Panel 02W - Line 110	Feb 25, 1972	Nov 4, 1951	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land Helicopter-crew <sup>110</sup>	
<b>Hampton, Frederick</b> Jordan Air Force/311 ACS* LtCol Panel 43E - Line 20	Mar 6, 1968	Jul 16, 1927	Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed wing - pilot <sup>111</sup>	
<b>Hanson, Clyde Wendell</b> Air Force/310 <sup>th</sup> TAS* TSGT Panel 05W - Line 96	Feb 11, 1971	Jan 12, 1935	Non-hostile, fixed wing- crew air loss, crash on land <sup>112</sup>	

<sup>106</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>107</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

<sup>108</sup> ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE OF B-57 20MM CANNON, PHAN RANG AIR BASE

<sup>109</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>110</sup> UH-1D 66-16840 LOST POWER AFTER TAKE-OFF, CRASHED 4 KM SOUTH-SOUTHEAST OF CAM RANH BAY AIR BASE







<sup>111</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base

<sup>112</sup> UC-123K 56-4373 CRASHED AT PHAN RANG AIR BASE

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<b>Harrison</b> , William Milam Army WO Panel 33W - Line 74	Feb 6, 1969	Nov 16, 1943	Hostile, Helicopter-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>113</sup>	
<b>Hartenhoff</b> , Duane Leland Air Force/310 <sup>th</sup> SOS* MSGT Panel 24W - Line 42	May 18, 1969	Mar 12, 1927	Hostile, died outright air loss or crash over land fixed wing-crew <sup>114</sup>	
<b>Hathaway</b> , John Hooper V. Air Force/17 <sup>th</sup> SOS* Capt. Panel 17W - Line 66	Oct 11, 1969	Sep 2, 1941	Non-Hostile, fixed wing- crew Air Loss, Crash on Land <sup>115</sup>	
<b>Hayden</b> , Neil William Air Force/310 <sup>th</sup> SOS* 1LT Panel 24W - Line 42	May 18, 1969	Jun 18, 1941	Hostile, died outright air loss or crash over land fixed wing-pilot <sup>116</sup>	
<b>Helgeson</b> , Ellis Eugene Air Force/311 ACS* Capt Panel 43E - Line 20	Mar 6, 1968	May 14, 1942	Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed wing -crew <sup>117</sup>	
<b>Herbert</b> , Michael Patrick RAAF/No. 2 Squadron* FO	Nov 3, 1970	Jun 9, 1946	118	

<sup>113</sup> UH-1H 66-16326 HOT LZ, ROK CBT ASLT 20 KM EAST OF PHAN RANG CITY

<sup>114</sup> C-123K 54-0639 HIT NEAR TANH LINH, UNCONTROLLABLE ENGINE FIRE, CRASHED 13 KM  
NORTHEAST OF BIEN HOA CITY

<sup>115</sup> An AC-119 52-5907 gunship, radio call sign Shadow 76, crashed as it was taking off from Tan Son Nhut when an engine failed and caught fire. With all its armament and ammunition together with a full fuel load the single-engined performance of the AC-119G was insufficient to enable it to stay airborne. Six of the 10 crew were killed in the accident. SSgt Bradford was a photographer with the 600th Photo Squadron.

<sup>116</sup> C-123K 54-0639 HIT NEAR TANH LINH, UNCONTROLLABLE ENGINE FIRE, CRASHED 13 KM  
NORTHEAST OF BIEN HOA CITY

<sup>117</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base

<sup>118</sup> See [Phan Rang Newsletter 147](#) “Magpie 91”

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<b>Hess</b> , Jack Wayne Army/C Co, Support BN SP4 Panel 49E - Line 32	Apr 12, 1968	Nov 12, 1946	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes <sup>119</sup> accidental self-destruction ground casualty <sup>120</sup>	
<b>Hester</b> , Leo Claude Navy LCDR Panel 16E - Line 52	Mar 10, 1967	May 5, 1924	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land fixed wing-pilot <sup>121</sup>	
<b>Hewitt</b> , Ronald David RAAF/No. 2 Sq* LAC	Jun 21, 1972	Aug 25, 1950	Unknown <sup>122</sup>	
<b>Hicks</b> , David Lee Army/608 <sup>th</sup> Trans Co. SP4	Sep 21, 1970	Sep 5, 1950	Non-hostile, died of illness or injury vehicle loss or crash ground casualty <sup>123</sup>	
<b>Hicks</b> , Paul Everett Marine/G Co, 2 <sup>nd</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 21	Mar 6, 1968	Feb 11, 1949	Hostile, Fixed Wing Noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>124</sup>	
<b>Higgs</b> , Ralph Edward Marines/ PFC Panel 43E - Line 21	Mar 6, 1968	Nov 26, 1947	Hostile, fixed wing - noncrew Air loss, crash on land	
<b>Hinson</b> , Ralph Leon Air Force/12 <sup>th</sup> Supply Sq. SSgt Panel 04E - Line 21	Dec 17, 1965	Dec 31, 1934	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-non-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>125</sup>	
<b>Hogan Jr.</b> , Billy Jack Air Force/21 <sup>st</sup> Tac Air Spt Sq Sgt Panel 06W - Line 92	Nov 29, 1970	Oct 14, 1949	Non-hostile, died missing, fixed wing-non-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>126</sup>	

<sup>119</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>120</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>121</sup> VC-47J 99844 WING FAILURE 5 MILES NORTH OF PHAN RANG

<sup>122</sup> He died nearly two years after RTA. See note 10 below.

<sup>123</sup> Undetermined

<sup>124</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.








<sup>125</sup> AC-47D 43-49492 HIT MOUNTAIN 16-1/2 MILES SOUTH-SOUTHWEST OF PHAN RANG

<sup>126</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

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<b>Hollar, Howard Eslie</b> Marine/H&S Co, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 22	Mar 6, 1968	Feb 6, 1948	Hostile, fixed wing - noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>127</sup>	
<b>Holmes, John Henry</b> Army/Adv Team 45 SFC Panel 06W - Line 101	Dec 1, 1970	Nov 29, 1929	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes vehicle loss or crash ground casualty <sup>128</sup>	
<b>Hopper, Richard Whan</b> Air Force/8 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq.* Capt Panel 46E - Line 24	Mar 25, 1968	Nov 21, 1935	Hostile, fixed wing-pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>129</sup>	
<b>Horsky, Robert Milvoy</b> Air Force/309 <sup>th</sup> ACS Maj Panel 04E - Line 12	Dec 11, 1965	01/07/1927	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land fixed wing-crew <sup>130</sup>	
<b>Horvath, Robert John</b> Marine/ H&S Co, 1st BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 22	Mar 6, 1968	Mar 31, 1948	Hostile, fixed wing - noncrew air loss, crash on land <sup>131</sup>	
<b>Hudson Jr., Joseph</b> Robert Army/Adv Team 26 Sgt Panel 36W - Line 51	Dec 20, 1968	Jul 14, 1945	Hostile, ground casualty gun, small arms fire <sup>132</sup>	
<b>Jackson, Andrew</b> Marine/F Co, 2 <sup>nd</sup> BN LCPL Panel 43E - Line 23	Mar 6, 1968	Nov 15, 1945	Hostile, fixed wing - noncrew air loss, crash on land <sup>133</sup>	

<sup>127</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>128</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>129</sup> B-57B 52-1592 HIT OVER LAOS, CRASHED ON LANDING AT DA NANG

<sup>130</sup> C-123B 56-4376 -The scattered wreckage of an Air Force C-123 carrying the Vietnamese air borne troops and US crew was discovered on a mountainside 40 miles north of Nha Trang. There appeared to be no survivors the spokesmen said. The plane was en route from Pleiku to Tuy Hoa on Dec. 11 when it sliced into heavy forest at the 3,000 foot level of the mountain and burred. If there are no survivors, it will be the worst single crash in cost of human lives in the Vietnamese war. Accident occurred in Phu Yen Province.

<sup>131</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.







<sup>132</sup> VEHICLE ON RESUPPLY RUN AMBUSHED, LOCATION UNKNOWN

<sup>133</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

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<b>Jacques</b> , Joseph Arthur Army PFC	Nov 29, 1970	Jul 28, 1949	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land fixed wing-noncrew <sup>134</sup>	
<b>Jefferson</b> , Perry Henry Air Force/120 <sup>th</sup> TFS* Maj Panel 27W - Line 5	Apr 3, 1969	Aug 18, 1931	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-non-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>135</sup>	
<b>Jeffs</b> , Clive Garth Air Force/614 <sup>th</sup> TFS* Capt Panel 04W - Line 41	Mar 12, 1971	Oct 21, 1943	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>136</sup>	
<b>Johnson</b> , Charles A. Army SP4 Panel 06W - Line 92	Nov 29, 1970	Aug 12, 1948	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land fixed wing-noncrew <sup>137</sup>	
<b>Johnson</b> , Edward Dewey/17th SOS, 14th SOW MSgt Panel 08W - Line 51	Jul 25, 1970	07/16/1930	Non-hostile, died of injury from crash over land <sup>138</sup>	
<b>Johnson</b> , Leland Craig Air Force/19 SOS* A1C Panel 17W - Line 62	Oct 10, 1969	Aug 26, 1948	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes Air loss or crash over land Fixed wing - crew <sup>139</sup>	

<sup>134</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

<sup>135</sup> 0-1G BIRDDOG 51-12078 SOUTH SLOPE OF NUI E GUE MOUNTAIN 30 KM WEST-SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY AIR FIELD

<sup>136</sup> F-100D 56-3415 ENGINE FLAMED OUT, EJECTED 52 KM W-SW OF DUC MY Airfield. His body was never recovered. A flight of Super Sabres was dispatched from Phan Rang to attack an enemy position in Khang Ilea province of South Vietnam. One of the aircraft was shot down in flames about 40 miles northwest of Nha Trang and its pilot was posted missing. Other aircraft nearby heard a good beeper signal after 1Lt Jeffs ejected but could not make voice contact with him. A 10-day search failed to find any trace of the pilot. The crash site of an F-100 was discovered in 1974 and investigated by the JTF -FA in 1990 but so far there is no new information on the fate of 1Lt Jeffs. 56-3415 also saw service with the 31st TFW at Tuy Hoa during its time in Vietnam.

<sup>137</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER








<sup>138</sup> Engine failure during a training flight, crashed during landing in Binh Dinh Province, South Vietnam assumed to be Phu Cat AB. Information from Walter Brooks, who was a flight engineer on C-47A 43-15583 assigned to the 14<sup>th</sup> SOS and MSgt Edward Johnson was his supervisor.

<sup>139</sup> C-123K 54-0642 crashed on take-off from Rach Gia City air field

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<b>Johnson</b> , Robert Bruce Air Force/310 <sup>th</sup> TAS* TSgt	Nov 29, 1970	May 29, 1936	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land fixed wing-noncrew <sup>140</sup>	
<b>Johnston</b> , David Neal Army 1Lt Panel 02W - Line 111	Feb 25, 1972	Sep 11, 1948	Non-hostile, helicopter crash <sup>141</sup>	
<b>Jones</b> , Billy Joe Army/B Co, 40 <sup>th</sup> Sig BN SP5 Panel 03W - Line 45	May 21, 1971	Jul 31, 1950	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes intentional homicide ground casualty <sup>142</sup>	
<b>Jones</b> , Grayland Army/128 <sup>th</sup> Signal Co. PFC Panel 16W - Line 112	Nov 23, 1969	Sep 1, 1950	Non-hostile, ground casualty drowned, suffocated <sup>143</sup>	
<b>Jones</b> , Lavoyne Augustus Air Force/19 SOS* SSgt Panel 17W - Line 62	Oct 10, 1969	Oct 3, 1938	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes Air loss or crash over land Fixed wing - crew <sup>144</sup>	
<b>Jones</b> , Roman Lee Army/C TRP, 7th Sq SP4 Panel 02W - Line 111	Feb 25, 1972	Jul 1, 1951	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land Helicopter-crew <sup>145</sup>	
<b>Jordan</b> , Robert Clayton Army/SVC BTRY, 5 <sup>TH</sup> BN SP4 Panel 30W - Line 37	Mar 4, 1969	Aug 19, 1947	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes vehicle loss or crash ground casualty <sup>146</sup>	

<sup>140</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

<sup>141</sup> UH-1D 66-16840 LOST POWER AFTER TAKE-OFF, CRASHED 4 KM SOUTH-SOUTHEAST OF CAM RANH BAY AIR BASE

<sup>142</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>143</sup> DROWNED WHILE SWIMMING 8 KM E-NE OF CAM RANH

<sup>144</sup> C-123K 54-0642 crashed on take-off from Rach Gia City air field








<sup>145</sup> UH-1D 66-16840 LOST POWER AFTER TAKE-OFF, CRASHED 4 KM SOUTH-SOUTHEAST OF CAM RANH BAY AIR BASE

<sup>146</sup> Undetermined.

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<p><b>Kawamura, Robert</b> Kiyoshi Air Force/14<sup>th</sup> ACS* SSgt (Loadmaster) Panel 39E - Line 49</p>	<p>Feb 15, 1968</p>	<p>May 26, 1939</p>	<p>Hostile, died while missing air loss or crash over land fixed wing-crew<sup>147</sup></p>	
<p><b>Kearns Jr., Joseph</b> Thomas Air Force/13<sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq.* LTC Panel 21E - Line 47</p>	<p>Jun 7, 1978</p>	<p>Aug 26, 1936</p>	<p>Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-crew air loss, crash on land<sup>148</sup></p>	
<p><b>Keck, Jay Lynn</b> Air Force/35<sup>th</sup> CES* Sgt Panel 17W - Line 71</p>	<p>Oct 12, 1969</p>	<p>Dec 18, 1922</p>	<p>Non-hostile, died of illness or injury heart attack ground casualty<sup>149</sup></p>	
<p><b>Kennedy III, William</b> Daniel Army/A Btry, 6<sup>th</sup> BN Capt</p>	<p>Nov 29, 1970</p>	<p>Jun 6, 1945</p>	<p>Non-hostile, fixed wing, non-crew, air loss, crash on land<sup>150</sup></p>	
<p><b>Kennedy, Larry Scott</b> Marine/A Brty, 1<sup>st</sup> BN CPL Panel 43E - Line 23</p>	<p>Mar 6, 1968</p>	<p>May 15, 1947</p>	<p>Hostile, fixed wing - noncrew air loss, crash on land<sup>151</sup></p>	
<p><b>Kerr, Everett Oscar</b> Air Force/13<sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq.* CAPT Panel 08E - Line 45</p>	<p>Jun 13, 1966</p>	<p>Apr 18, 1936</p>	<p>Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing-Pilot<sup>152</sup></p>	
<p><b>Kerr, Robert George</b> Navy LCDR Panel 16E - Line 53</p>	<p>Mar 10, 1967</p>	<p>Nov 1, 1924</p>	<p>Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land fixed wing-crew<sup>153</sup></p>	

<sup>147</sup> AC-47D 43-49859 5 MILES SOUTH OF PHAN RANG AFLD

<sup>148</sup> B-57B 53-3862 DISAPPEARED VICINITY 28 KM SE OF KY AN, NVN

<sup>149</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>150</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER 19701129

<sup>151</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.







<sup>152</sup> B-57E 55-4268 40 KM SOUTH OF MU GIA PASS

<sup>153</sup> VC-47J 99844 WING FAILURE 5 MILES NORTH OF PHAN RANG

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<p><b>King, Jon Marc</b> Air Force/615<sup>th</sup> TFS* 1Lt Panel 06W - Line 93</p>	<p>Nov 29, 1970</p>	<p>Aug 1, 1946</p>	<p>Non-hostile, died while missing air loss or crash over land fixed wing-noncrew<sup>154</sup></p>	 <small>Lt. Jon M. King</small>
<p><b>Kingrey, Edward Leo</b> Army/C Co, 589<sup>th</sup> Eng Bn SP4 Panel 21W - Line 118</p>	<p>Jul 14, 1969</p>	<p>Sep 2, 1948</p>	<p>Non-hostile, died outright from other causes accidental homicide ground casualty<sup>155</sup></p>	
<p><b>Knopic, Bernard Richard</b> Air Force/17<sup>th</sup> SOS* Lt. Col. Panel 17W - Line 67</p>	<p>Oct 11, 1969</p>	<p>Jun 2, 1930</p>	<p>Non-Hostile, fixed wing-crew Air Loss, Crash on Land<sup>156</sup></p>	
<p><b>Knudsen Jr., Harold Eugene</b> Air Force/389<sup>th</sup> TFS, 366 TFW 1Lt. Panel 10E - Line 95</p>	<p>Sep 14, 1966</p>	<p>Jan 30, 1941</p>	<p>Hostile, fixed Wing - Pilot Air Loss, Crash on land<sup>157</sup></p>	
<p><b>Koeppe Jr., Walter</b> Army/A CO, 864<sup>th</sup> Eng Bn* PFC Panel 30E - Line 85</p>	<p>Nov 25, 1967</p>	<p>Oct 11, 1948</p>	<p>Hostile, died outright misadventure ground casualty<sup>158</sup></p>	
<p><b>Kollenberg, Charles Louis</b> Air Force/352<sup>nd</sup> TFS* 1Lt Panel 06W - Line 93</p>	<p>Nov 29, 1970</p>	<p>Jun 12, 1946</p>	<p>Non-hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land fixed wing-non-crew<sup>159</sup></p>	

<sup>154</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER 19701129

<sup>155</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>156</sup> An AC-119 52-5907 gunship, radio call sign Shadow 76, crashed as it was taking off from Tan Son Nhut when an engine failed and caught fire. With all its armament and ammunition together with a full fuel load the single-engined performance of the AC-119G was insufficient to enable it to stay airborne. Six of the 10 crew were killed in the accident. SSgt Bradford was a photographer with the 600th Photo Squadron.

<sup>157</sup> CRASHED DUE TO FLIGHT CONTROL FAILURE The F-4C aircraft he was piloting crashed shortly after takeoff from Phan Rang AB. His aircraft was joining their formation when a flight control malfunction caused the aircraft to roll inverted. When attempts to right the aircraft failed, both crew members tried to eject. Knudsen was unsuccessful and was killed when the aircraft crashed. It's believed that the crew member that survived was Lt Col.

Felix Fowler.

<sup>158</sup> Undetermined.







<sup>159</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER



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<b>Kuney</b> , Jerry Dean Army Sgt Panel 04W - Line 41	Mar 12, 1971	Aug 28, 1942	Non-hostile, died of illness or injury Suicide ground casualty <sup>160</sup>	
<b>Kutkowski</b> , Gregory Mitchel Army WO	Oct 18, 1970	Mar 21, 1948	Non-hostile, died of illness or injury heart attack ground casualty <sup>161</sup>	 <small>Gregory M. Kutkowski October 18, 1970</small>
<b>Landers</b> , Donald Francis Army/A CO, 2 <sup>ND</sup> BN CPL Panel 45E - Line 64	Mar 23, 1968	Mar 9, 1944	Hostile, died outright drowned or suffocated ground casualty <sup>162</sup>	
<b>Lane</b> , Mitchell Sim Air Force/188 <sup>th</sup> TFS Capt Panel 35W - Line 35	Jan 4, 1969	Oct 4, 1940	Hostile, died while missing air loss or crash over land fixed wing-pilot <sup>163</sup>	
<b>Lang</b> , Benjamin Gaines Air Force/615 <sup>th</sup> TFS* 1LT Panel 03W - Line 16	Apr 28, 1971	Mar 4, 1946	Hostile, fixed wing-pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>164</sup>	
<b>Larue Jr.</b> , Donald Edward Army/C Co. 75 <sup>th</sup> Infantry PFC Panel 02W - Line 17	Sep 16, 1971	Aug 10, 1949	Non-hostile, died of illness or injury Illness or disease Ground casualty <sup>165</sup>	
<b>Latshaw</b> , Harry Kenneth Marine/G Co, 2 <sup>nd</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 25	Mar 6, 1968	Jun 2, 1949	Hostile, fixed wing - noncrew air loss, crash on land <sup>166</sup>	
<b>Lawlor</b> , Robert James Air Force/554 <sup>th</sup> CES* A2C	Sep 4, 1966	Oct 21, 1944	Non-hostile, died of illness/injury, ground casualty burns <sup>167</sup>	

<sup>160</sup> SUICIDE, CAM RANH ARMY AFLD

<sup>161</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>162</sup> RIVER CROSSING VICINITY PHAN RANG

<sup>163</sup> MID-AIR COLLISION (?) F-100C 54-2030 AND F-100C 54-2051 22 MILES N-NE OF PHAN RANG AIR BASE

<sup>164</sup> F-100D 55-3550 APPROX 18 NM SOUTH OF PHAN RANG AIR BASE

<sup>165</sup> DIED NHA TRANG AIR BASE, 4 KM SOUTH OF NHA TRANG CITY

<sup>166</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>167</sup> Undetermined.

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<b>Lee Jr., Robert List</b> Army/HHC, 2 <sup>ND</sup> , 502 <sup>ND</sup> INFANTRY, 101 ABN DIV* Capt Panel 30E - Line 71	Nov 23, 1967	Nov 1, 1943	Non-hostile, died of illness/injury, ground casualty accidental homicide <sup>168</sup>	
<b>Lee, Roger Gail</b> Air Force/14 <sup>th</sup> ACS* SSgt (Loadmaster) Panel 39E - Line 49	Feb 15, 1968	Sep 24, 1938	Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing-crew <sup>169</sup>	
<b>Liebernecht, Von Miles</b> Air Force/38 <sup>th</sup> ARRS* Capt Panel 41W - Line 40	Oct 10, 1968	Jun 21, 1934	Non-hostile, helicopter pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>170</sup>	
<b>Loftis, Joel Conrad</b> Air Force/35 <sup>th</sup> SPS* A1C Panel 23W - Line 104	Jun 7, 1969	Jun 17, 1946	Hostile, died of wounds Artillery, rocket or mortar Ground casualty <sup>171</sup>	
<b>Luce, Paul Franklin</b> Air Force/315 <sup>th</sup> CMS* TSgt Panel 50W - Line 51	Aug 2, 1968	Dec 9, 1935	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes Vehicle loss or crash ground casualty <sup>172</sup>	
<b>Luna, Angel</b> Air Force/35 <sup>th</sup> USAF Disp.* TSgt Panel 41W - Line 41	Oct 10, 1968	Jul 19, 1932	Non-hostile died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land Helicopter-crew <sup>173</sup>	
<b>Maahs, Milo George</b> Air Force/615 TFS* Capt Panel 34W - Line 51	Jan 21, 1969	May 6, 1937	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - Pilot <sup>174</sup>	

<sup>168</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>169</sup> AC-47D 43-49859 5 MILES SOUTH OF PHAN RANG AFLD

<sup>170</sup> HH-43B 58-1845 MECHANICAL FAILURE, CRASHED AT PHAN RANG AIR BASE

<sup>171</sup> MORTAR ATTACK ON PHAN RANG AIR BASE. A1C Loftis was one of two men killed during a mortar attack on Phan Rang AB. According to a witness, Joel was sitting in front of the mail room reading his mail when a 107 mm rocket landed nearby, killing him.

<sup>172</sup> PEDESTRIAN/AUTO ACCIDENT AT PHAN RANG AIR BASE









<sup>173</sup> HH-43B 58-1845 MECHANICAL FAILURE, CRASHED AT PHAN RANG AIR BASE

<sup>174</sup> F-100D 56-3158 hit southwest of Katum, crashed during approach to Bien Hoa Air Field

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<b>Mac Arthur</b> , Dale Alan Air Force/821 <sup>st</sup> SPS Sgt Panel 15W - Line 39	Dec 8, 1969	Jun 16, 1947	Non-hostile, died of illness/injury, ground casualty vehicle crash <sup>175</sup>	
<b>Macko</b> , Charles Air Force/8 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq.* COL Panel 32W - Line 80	Feb 22, 1969	Jan 15, 1931	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>176</sup>	
<b>MacMillan</b> , Thomas Marine/K Co, 3 <sup>rd</sup> BN LCPL Panel 43E - Line 28	Mar 6, 1968	Aug 24, 1948	Hostile, fixed wing - noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>177</sup>	
<b>Margle</b> , Thomas Joseph Air Force/14 <sup>th</sup> ACS* Capt Panel 39E - Line 50	Feb 15, 1968	Apr 17, 1936	Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed wing-crew <sup>178</sup>	
<b>Martin</b> , Floyd Newton Army/ADV Team 26 SFC	Dec 20, 1968	Aug 30, 1930	Hostile, died outright multiple fragmentation wounds ground casualty <sup>179</sup>	
<b>Marturano Jr.</b> , Joseph Anthony Marine/G Co, 2 <sup>nd</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 25	Mar 6, 1968	Jan 11, 1950	Hostile, fixed wing-noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>180</sup>	
<b>Mathews</b> , Claude Wesley Air Force/4 <sup>th</sup> ACS A1C Panel 04E - Line 21	Dec 17, 1965	May 31, 1940	Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land fixed wing-crew <sup>181</sup>	
<b>Mattox</b> , Dwaine Elbyrne Air Force/310 <sup>th</sup> TAS* CAPT	Aug 10, 1970	Jun 1, 1944	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land fixed wing, crew <sup>182</sup>	

<sup>175</sup> JEEP ACCIDENT WHILE ON PATROL DUTY, PHAN RANG AIR BASE

<sup>176</sup> B-57B 52-01532 43 KM S-SE OF BAN LANGKHANG, LAOS

<sup>177</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>178</sup> AC-47D 43-49859 5 MILES SOUTH OF PHAN RANG AFLD

<sup>179</sup> VEHICLE ON RESUPPLY RUN AMBUSHED, LOCATION UNKNOWN

<sup>180</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>181</sup> AC-47D 43-49492 HIT MOUNTAIN 16-1/2 MILES SOUTH-SOUTHWEST OF PHAN RANG 19651217

<sup>182</sup> C-123K 55-4527 ENGINE FAILURE, CRASHED VICINITY CAM RANH BAY AFLD

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<p><b>Mayo, James Russell</b> Air Force/19 ACS* A1C Panel 25E - Line 105</p>	<p>Sep 4, 1967</p>	<p>Apr 3, 1941</p>	<p>Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - crew<sup>183</sup></p>	
<p><b>Mc Donough, Robert</b> James Army PFC Panel 46W - Line 61</p>	<p>Aug 29, 1968</p>	<p>Dec 28, 1949</p>	<p>Non-hostile, died outright from other causes Suicide Ground Casualty<sup>184</sup></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">NA</p>
<p><b>Mc Fadden Jr., Carl</b> Army/101<sup>st</sup> MP Co PFC Panel 46E - Line 39</p>	<p>Mar 26, 1968</p>	<p>May 12, 1948</p>	<p>Non-hostile, died of illness or injury vehicle loss or crash ground casualty<sup>185</sup></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">NA</p>
<p><b>Mc Gee, Roy Dell</b> Army/A CO, 14<sup>TH</sup> ENG BN, 35<sup>TH</sup> ENG GRP, 18<sup>TH</sup> ENG BDE* PFC Panel 35E - Line 60</p>	<p>Jan 29, 1968</p>	<p>Mar 3, 1949</p>	<p>Non-Hostile Ground Casualty other accident<sup>186</sup></p>	
<p><b>Mc Gouldrick Jr.,</b> Francis, J. Air Force/8<sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq* COL Panel 36W - Line 17</p>	<p>Dec 13, 1968</p>	<p>Dec 19, 1928</p>	<p>Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-crew air loss, crash on land<sup>187</sup></p>	
<p><b>Mc Govern, Michael</b> Donald Air Force/612<sup>th</sup> TFS* Capt Panel 05W - Line 96</p>	<p>Feb 11, 1971</p>	<p>Jan 17, 1942</p>	<p>Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land fixed wing-pilot<sup>188</sup></p>	

<sup>183</sup> C-123K 54-0621 hit ridgeline 18 km south-southwest of Bao Loc air field during approach for landing

<sup>184</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>185</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>186</sup> Undetermined.





<sup>187</sup> MID-AIR C-123K 54-0600 AND B-57E 55-4284 40 KM N-NW OF TCHEPONE

<sup>188</sup> F-100D 55-2901 LANDING ACCIDENT AT PLEIKU AFLD

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<b>Mc Grew, Lloyd Arthur</b> 31ST CBT SPT GROUP Maj Panel 08W - Line 25	Jul 17, 1970	03/04/1930	Non-hostile, died outright from crash over land while landing <sup>189</sup>	
<b>Mc Hugo, Donald Lyle</b> Air Force/8 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq.* Maj Panel 46E - Line 21	Mar 25, 1968	Mar 6, 1935	Hostile-died outright Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing-Crew <sup>190</sup>	
<b>Mc Kinney, Eugene Phillip</b> Air Force/614 <sup>th</sup> TFS* CAPT Panel 46E - Line 9	Mar 23, 1968	Jan 12, 1940	Hostile, died outright air loss or crash over land fixed wing-pilot <sup>191</sup>	
<b>Mc Knight, George Parker</b> Air Force/309 <sup>th</sup> ACS Capt Panel 04E - Line 13	Dec 11, 1965	02/22/1936	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land fixed wing-crew <sup>192</sup>	
<b>McCosar, Winford</b> Marine/B Co, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN LCPL Panel 43E - Line 28	Mar 6, 1968	Nov 22, 1947	Hostile, fixed wing-noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>193</sup>	
<b>McLeish, Charles Edward</b> Air Force/612 <sup>th</sup> TFS* CAPT	Aug 21, 1970	Nov 27, 1944	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash on land Fixed Wing-Pilot <sup>194</sup>	

<sup>189</sup> On July 17, 1970, a U.S. Air Force C-47A (#43-15583) was on a training flight when it crashed in Binh Dinh Province, RVN, after an engine failure. The aircraft was reportedly attempting to land when it crashed and burned.

Two U.S. airmen died in the incident: pilot MAJ Lloyd A. McGrew from the 31st Combat Support Group, 31st Tactical Fighter Wing; and flight engineer MSgt Edward D. Johnson from the 17th Special Operations Squadron, 14th Special Operations Wing. Johnson survived the crash; however, he succumbed to his injuries eight days later.

<sup>190</sup> B-57B 52-1592 HIT OVER LAOS, CRASHED ON LANDING AT DANANG

<sup>191</sup> BY GROUND FIRE NEAR AN NHON, 8 MILES SE OF PHU CAT AB

<sup>192</sup> C-123B 56-4376 -The scattered wreckage of an Air Force C-123 carrying the Vietnamese air borne troops and US crew was discovered on a mountainside 40 miles north of Nha Trang. There appeared to be no survivors the spokesmen said. The plane was en route from Pleiku to Tuy Hoa on Dec. 11 when it sliced into heavy forest at the 3,000 foot level of the mountain and burred. If there are no survivors, it will be the worst single crash in cost of human lives in the Vietnamese war. Accident occurred in Phu Yen Province.









<sup>193</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>194</sup> CRASHED 1 MILE SOUTH OF DAK TO DURING TRAINING FLIGHT, F-100D 56-3435

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<b>Mead</b> , Dennis Michael Marine/D Co, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 26	Mar 6, 1968	Mar 2, 1949	Hostile, fixed wing- noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>195</sup>	
<b>Meade</b> , Johnson Ashley Air Force/12 <sup>th</sup> CES A1C Panel 04E - Line 21	Dec 17, 1965	Jun 2, 1941	Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing-Noncrew <sup>196</sup>	
<b>Medeiros</b> , Dennis Joseph Marine/H Co, 2 <sup>nd</sup> BN CPL Panel 43E - Line 26	Mar 6, 1968	Oct 29, 1946	Hostile, fixed wing- noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>197</sup>	
<b>Menn</b> , Arthur John Army PFC Panel 06W - Line 94	Nov 29, 1970	Mar 10, 1949	Non-hostile, fixed wing non-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>198</sup>	
<b>Meyerkord</b> , Harold Dale Navy Lt Panel 01E - Line 96	Mar 16, 1965	Oct 9, 1937	Hostile, died outright gun or small arms fire ground casualty <sup>199</sup>	
<b>Miles</b> , James Edward Marine/ PFC Panel 43E - Line 27	Mar 6, 1968	Mar 4, 1949	Hostile, fixed wing- noncrew Air loss, Crash on land <sup>200</sup>	
<b>Minch</b> , Roger Carl Marine/H&S Co, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 26	Mar 6, 1968	Jun 11, 1948	Hostile, fixed wing- noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>201</sup>	
<b>Moe</b> , Ronald John Army/B CO, 589 <sup>TH</sup> ENG BN, 35 <sup>TH</sup> ENG GRP* 1Lt Panel 38W - Line 67	Nov 26 1968	Oct 6, 1944	Hostile, died outright other explosive device ground casualty <sup>202</sup>	

<sup>195</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>196</sup> AC-47D 43-49492 HIT MOUNTAIN 16-1/2 MILES SOUTH-SOUTHWEST OF PHAN RANG

<sup>197</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>198</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER  
<sup>199</sup> VICINITY CAI TAU HA

<sup>200</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.







<sup>201</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>202</sup> AMBUSH ON HWY QL-1 SOUTH OF PHAN RANG

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<b>Montoya</b> , Louie Gooch Army/192 <sup>nd</sup> AHC* SP4 Panel 03W - Line 72	Jun 10, 1971	Jul 7, 1949	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land, Helicopter-Crew <sup>203</sup>	
<b>Moore</b> , Abraham Lincoln Air Force/17 <sup>th</sup> SOS* SSgt. Panel 17W - Line 68	Oct 11, 1969	Feb 12, 1937	Non-Hostile, fixed wing-crew Air Loss, Crash on Land <sup>204</sup>	
<b>Moore</b> , Dallas Henry Air Force/311 <sup>th</sup> ACS* Sgt Panel 43E - Line 27	Mar 6, 1968	Oct 6, 1940	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>205</sup>	
<b>Moore</b> , James Ezra Marine/G Co, 2 <sup>nd</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 27	Mar 6, 1968	Aug 17, 1949	Hostile, fixed wing-noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>206</sup>	
<b>Moore</b> , Wavery Army SSgt Panel 25W - Line 78	May 12, 1969	Sep 16, 1925	NA	NA
<b>Morgan</b> , William Leslie Air Force/435 <sup>th</sup> MMS* A1C Panel 05W - Line 63	Jan 24, 1971	Nov 25, 1947	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes Accidental self-destruction ground casualty <sup>207</sup>	
<b>Moriarty</b> , Peter Gibney Air Force/615 <sup>th</sup> TFS* Capt Panel 04W - Line 68	Mar 22, 1971	Jul 15, 1941	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>208</sup>	

<sup>203</sup> UH-1C 66-00597 33 KM S-SW OF PHU NHON AFLD We were flying cover for a sniffer mission. See more complete notes on the mission in the footnote for Johnny Arthur.

<sup>204</sup> An AC-119 52-5907 gunship, radio call sign Shadow 76, crashed as it was taking off from Tan Son Nhut when an engine failed and caught fire. With all its armament and ammunition together with a full fuel load the single-engined performance of the AC-119G was insufficient to enable it to stay airborne. Six of the 10 crew were killed in the accident. SSgt Bradford was a photographer with the 600th Photo Squadron.

<sup>205</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>206</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.








<sup>207</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>208</sup> F-100D 56-3180 ATTACKING TANKS ON HWY QL-9, 22 KM WEST OF KHE SANH. His body was not recovered.

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<b>Morrill</b> , Bernard Francis Air Force/310 <sup>th</sup> TAS* TSGT	Aug 10, 1970	Jul 3, 1934	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land fixed wing, crew <sup>209</sup>	
<b>Morrison Jr.</b> , Glenn Raymond Air Force/614 <sup>th</sup> TFS* Capt <sup>210</sup> Panel 11E - Line 114	Oct 26, 1966	Apr 11, 1936	Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - Pilot <sup>211</sup>	
<b>Morrison</b> , Peter Whitcomb Air Force/8 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq* 1Lt Panel 21E - Line 79	Jun 9, 1967	Dec 29, 1942	Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land fixed wing-crew <sup>212</sup>	
<b>Moss Jr.</b> , Thomas John Marine/H&S Co, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 27	Mar 6, 1968	Jul 24, 1946	Hostile, fixed wing-noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>213</sup>	
<b>Moyer Jr.</b> , Cecil Gerald Air Force/310 <sup>th</sup> TAS* Capt Panel 06W - Line 94	Nov 29, 1970	May 6, 1945	Non-hostile, died missing, fixed wing-pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>214</sup>	
<b>Murphy</b> , David Wayne Army/D CO, 36 <sup>th</sup> SIG BN 1Lt Panel 40W - Line 21	Oct 22, 1968	Nov 20, 1944	Non-hostile, died of illness or injury Suicide Ground casualty <sup>215</sup>	 <small>DAVID WAYNE MURPHY 36<sup>th</sup> SIGNAL BN</small>
<b>Murray</b> , Caesar Air Force/14 <sup>th</sup> FMS A1C Panel 04W - Line 59	Mar 19, 1971	Aug 2, 1949	Non-hostile, ground casualty illness, disease <sup>216</sup>	

<sup>209</sup> C-123K 55-4527 ENGINE FAILURE, CRASHED VICINITY CAM RANH BAY AFLD

<sup>210</sup> Pau grade at loss 03, promoted to Lt Col while MIA

<sup>211</sup> F-100D 56-3167, ground impact 11 KM Northwest of DauTieng Base

<sup>212</sup> B-57B 53-3908 GROUND FIRE NEAR HAO CHU HI MOUNTAIN, 10 MILES NORTH OF PHAN RANG

<sup>213</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>214</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER  
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<sup>215</sup> Undetermined.




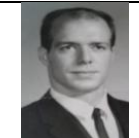


<sup>216</sup> Undetermined



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<b>Mynes</b> , Thomas Wilmer Air Force/35 <sup>th</sup> Spt Sq* Sgt Panel 15W - Line 111	Dec. 30, 1969	Sep 29, 1941	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes accidental homicide ground casualty <sup>217</sup>	
<b>Neef</b> , Frederick Richard Air Force/315 TAW* A1C	Nov 27, 1970	Dec 5, 1951	Non-hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - Noncrew <sup>218</sup>	
<b>Neeld</b> , Bobby Gene Air Force/188 <sup>th</sup> TFS* Col Panel 35W - Line 36	Jan 4, 1969	Oct 8, 1928	Hostile, died while missing air loss or crash over land fixed wing-pilot <sup>219</sup>	
<b>Neill</b> , John Mautz Air Force/352 <sup>nd</sup> TFS* Capt Panel 05W - Line 65	Jan 27, 1971	Feb 3, 1942	Hostile, fixed wing-pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>220</sup>	
<b>Netherly</b> , Artanzie Army PVT Panel 12W - Line 108	Apr 8, 1970	Feb 24, 1949	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes accidental self-destruction ground casualty <sup>221</sup>	NA
<b>Newberry</b> , Grayson Henry Air Force/310 <sup>th</sup> TAS SSgt Panel 06W - Line 94	Nov 29, 1970	Mar 24, 1945	Non-hostile, died while missing air loss or crash over land fixed wing- crew <sup>222</sup>	
<b>Nix</b> , John David Air Force/35 <sup>th</sup> SPS* Sgt Panel 03W - Line 12	Apr 25, 1971	Dec 15, 1947	Non-hostile, died of illness/injury, ground casualty vehicle crash <sup>223</sup>	

<sup>217</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>218</sup> C-123K 55-4574 hit mountain 17 miles southwest of Nha Trang - Still Photographic Specialist

<sup>219</sup> MID-AIR COLLISION (?) F-100C 54-2030 AND F-100C 54-2051 22 MILES N-NE OF PHAN RANG AIR  
BASE

<sup>220</sup> F-100D 56-3197 Undetermined.

<sup>221</sup> Undetermined.








<sup>222</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER  
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<sup>223</sup> Undetermined. Bob Terchanik relates that he was friends with John David Nix. I was in security police heavy weapons section, 81 mm mortar gunner. Dave was our Fire Direction Control who plotted the fire missions for the mortar pits. When he passed away all the mortar pits fired 5 rounds of illumination at 2400 hrs. Looked like a giant halo around the base. Service in that outfit made me a better man.

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<b>Noel</b> , Michael David Army/A Co, Troop Comd SP4	Sep 11, 1970	Feb 18, 1949	Hostile, died outright misadventure ground casualty <sup>224</sup>	
<b>Nute</b> , Ronald Wade Air Force/315 <sup>th</sup> CES* A1C Panel 02W - Line 90	Dec 20, 1971	Dec 2, 1952	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes suicide ground casualty <sup>225</sup>	
<b>O Hare</b> , Richard James Marine/G Co, 2 <sup>nd</sup> BN PFC	Mar 6, 1968	Jan 21, 1948	Hostile, fixed wing- noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>226</sup>	
<b>O'Keefe</b> , Richard William Air Force/310 <sup>th</sup> TAS* 1Lt Panel 05W - Line 97	Feb 11, 1971	Jan 6, 1945	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land fixed wing-crew <sup>227</sup>	
<b>O'Kieff</b> , William Brandon Air Force/315 TAW* TSgt	Nov 27, 1970	Oct 26, 1932	Non-hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - crew <sup>228</sup>	
<b>Ogden</b> , William Stephen Army/134 <sup>th</sup> AHC, 268 <sup>th</sup> AVN SP4 Panel 33W - Line 72	Feb 6, 1969	Feb 24, 1949	Hostile, died outright air loss or crash over land Helicopter-crew <sup>229</sup>	
<b>O'Hanlon</b> , Robert Melville RAAF/No. 2 Sq* FO	Jul 3, 1969	Apr 22, 1942	Unknown <sup>230</sup>	

<sup>224</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>225</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>226</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>227</sup> UC-123K 56-4373 CRASHED AT PHAN RANG AIR BASE

<sup>228</sup> C-123K 55-4574 hit mountain 17 miles southwest of Nha Trang








<sup>229</sup> UH-1H 66-16319 HOT LZ, ROK CBT ASLT 20 KM EAST OF PHAN RANG CITY

<sup>230</sup> O'Hanlon died in the Repatriation Hospital in Brisbane just short of 12 months on return to Australia. The policy is that if a person died within 12 months of RTA it is considered as died on Active Service. It is assumed he was diagnosed with a medical condition in Vietnam and was sent home.

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<b>Orfield</b> , David Charles Army/D Co. 62 Eng Bn, 35 <sup>th</sup> Eng Group, 18 <sup>th</sup> Eng BDE, USARV PFC Panel 13E - Line 105	Dec 31, 1966	Mar 4, 1947	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes, Vehicle loss or crash Ground Casualty <sup>231</sup>	
<b>Orr</b> , Emmett Somers Air Force/35 <sup>th</sup> CES* TSgt Panel 41W - Line 42	Oct 10, 1968	Feb 19, 1931	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land helicopter-crew <sup>232</sup>	
<b>Orsua</b> , Charles David Air Force/35 <sup>th</sup> SPS* A1C Panel 20W - Line 2	Jul 15, 1969	Apr 19, 1950	Non-hostile, died of illness or injury vehicle loss or crash ground casualty <sup>233</sup>	
<b>Ott</b> , Raymond Earl Army/630 <sup>th</sup> MP Co SP4 Panel 12W - Line 36	Mar 23, 1970	Jan 19, 1949	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes vehicle loss or crash ground casualty <sup>234</sup>	
<b>Owen</b> , John Wilson Army/HHC, 35 <sup>th</sup> Eng Grp SP4 Panel 09W - Line 116	Jul 3, 1970	Dec 16, 1948	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes accidental self-destruction ground casualty <sup>235</sup>	
<b>Oxley</b> , James Edward Air Force/13 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq.* MAJ Panel 18E - Line 72	Apr 22, 1967	Apr 28, 1925	Hostile, fixed wing-pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>236</sup>	
<b>Palmer</b> , William Herschell Army/564 <sup>th</sup> Trans Plt* Sgt Panel 42W - Line 13	Sep 25, 1968	Dec 7, 1942	Hostile, died outright gun or small arms fire ground casualty <sup>237</sup>	
<b>Partlow</b> , Kenneth	Aug 27, 1966	May 30, 1944	Non-hostile, died of illness	NA

<sup>231</sup> Undetermined. Run over by a road compactor while working on the road from PRAB to the beach.

<sup>232</sup> HH-43B 58-1845 MECHANICAL FAILURE, CRASHED AT PHAN RANG AIR BASE

<sup>233</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>234</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>235</sup> Undetermined.







<sup>236</sup> B-57B 53-3859 GROUND FIRE DURING CLOSE AIR SUPPORT MISSION 25 KM SOUTHEAST OF SAIGON

<sup>237</sup> TWO MILES FROM PHAN RANG BEACH

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Air Force/554 CES* A2C			or injury burns ground casualty <sup>238</sup>	
<b>Pauley</b> , Washington Army/ADV Team 45 Sgt Panel 25W - Line 81	May 12, 1969	Sep 18, 1942	Hostile, died outright multiple fragmentation wounds ground casualty <sup>239</sup>	
<b>Paxton</b> , Donald Elmer Air Force/8 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq.* COL Panel 32W - Line 82	Sep 24, 1973	Oct 3, 1928	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>240</sup>	
<b>Pearl</b> , Richard Max Air Force/1882 <sup>nd</sup> Comm Sq* Sgt Panel 08W - Line 39	Jul 21, 1970	May 12, 1938	Hostile, died of wounds other explosive device ground casualty <sup>241</sup>	
<b>Petersen</b> , Gaylord Dean Air Force/13 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq* LTC Panel 26E - Line 57	Sep 11, 1967	Jan 18, 1937	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>242</sup>	
<b>Petith</b> , Trevor Graham RAAF/No. 2 Sq* AC	Apr 21, 1969	Jul 13, 1946	Accidental <sup>243</sup>	
<b>Pizarro</b> , Vic Manuel Marine/A BTRY, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN CPL Panel 43E - Line 30	Mar 6, 1968	Mar 18, 1947	Hostile, fixed wing-noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>244</sup>	
<b>Podhajsky</b> , Norbert Albert Air Force/311 <sup>th</sup> TAS* Capt	Nov 29, 1970	Aug 16, 1943	Non-hostile, died missing, fixed wing-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>245</sup>	

<sup>238</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>239</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>240</sup> B-57B 52-01532 43 KM S-SE OF BAN LANGKHANG, LAOS

<sup>241</sup> ROCKET ATTACK ON PHAN RANG AIR BASE

<sup>242</sup> B-57B 52-1510 AAA FIRE DURING NIGHT ARMED RECON MISSION 15 KM NE OF DONG HOI, NVN

<sup>243</sup> AC Petith was a member of the Airfield Defence Guard (Grade 4). He died as a result of a gun accident in the Armour in the No 2 Sq hangar.



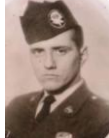




<sup>244</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>245</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

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<b>Polniak</b> , Robert Joseph Army/507 <sup>th</sup> Trans Group Capt Panel 06W - Line 94	Nov 29, 1970	May 9, 1946	Non-hostile, fixed wing, non-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>246</sup>	
<b>Presley</b> , Ronnie Calvin Marine/H&S CO, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 30	Mar 6, 1968	Oct 26, 1947	Hostile, fixed wing- noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>247</sup>	
<b>Prewitt</b> , William Earl Army/C TRP, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sq. Sgt Panel 22W - Line 68	Jun 17, 1969	Sep 28, 1947	Hostile, died outright multiple fragmentation wounds ground casualty <sup>248</sup>	
<b>Quill Jr.</b> , Edward Beeding Air Force/14 <sup>th</sup> ACS* Maj (Copilot) Panel 39E - Line 52	Feb 15, 1968	Oct 16, 1934	Hostile, died while missing air loss or crash over land fixed wing-crew <sup>249</sup>	
<b>Quinn</b> , John Arnold Air Force/559 <sup>th</sup> TFS Maj Panel 17W - Line 31	Oct 2, 1969	Aug 29, 1940	Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land fixed wing-pilot <sup>250</sup>	
<b>Rader III</b> , Frederick Merchant Air Force/315 TAW* 1Lt	Nov 27, 1970	Nov 22, 1946	Non-hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - crew <sup>251</sup>	
<b>Ranthum</b> , Dale Harold Army/ADV Team 20 Sgt Panel 36W - Line 53	Dec 20, 1968	Oct 8, 1939	Hostile, died outright gun or small arms fire ground casualty <sup>252</sup>	
<b>Ready III</b> , John Army/HHC, 32 <sup>nd</sup> Med Depot SP4 Panel 08W - Line 18	Jul 14, 1970	Apr 19, 1950	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes accidental self-destruction ground casualty <sup>253</sup>	NA

<sup>246</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

<sup>247</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>248</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>249</sup> AC-47D 43-49859 5 MILES SOUTH OF PHAN RANG AFLD

<sup>250</sup> F-4C 63-7708 SHOT DOWN ON CLOSE AIR SUPPORT MISSION 16 KM NORTHWEST OF THIEN GIAO

<sup>251</sup> C-123K 55-4574 hit mountain 17 miles southwest of Nha Trang






<sup>252</sup> VEHICLE ON RESUPPLY RUN AMBUSHED, LOCATION UNKNOWN

<sup>253</sup> Undetermined.

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<b>Redhawk</b> , Jesse Milton Army/A Co., 589 <sup>th</sup> Eng Bn* PVT Panel 39W - Line 45	Nov 10, 1968	Apr 9, 1948	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes accidental homicide ground casualty <sup>254</sup>	
<b>Rice</b> , Jerome James Air Force/17 <sup>th</sup> SOS* Maj. Panel 17W - Line 69	Oct 11, 1969	Nov 22, 1934	Non-Hostile, fixed wing- crew Air Loss, Crash on Land <sup>255</sup>	
<b>Rios</b> , Noel Luis Air Force/15 <sup>th</sup> Aerial Port Sq SSgt Panel 30W - Line 69	Mar 6, 1968	Apr 3, 1941	Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - noncrew <sup>256</sup>	
<b>Ritch</b> , Harold Junior Army/585 <sup>th</sup> Eng Co* SP4 Panel 02W - Line 67	Nov 12, 1971	Apr 16, 1944	Hostile, died outright other explosive device ground casualty <sup>257</sup>	
<b>Roberts</b> , Kermit Bruce Air Force/310 SOS* TSGT Panel 24W - Line 48	May 18, 1969	Aug 29, 1935	Hostile, died outright air loss or crash over land fixed wing-crew <sup>258</sup>	
<b>Robinson</b> , Samuel Percell Marine/F CO, 2 <sup>nd</sup> BN CPL Panel 43E - Line 31	Mar 6, 1968	Aug 20, 1947	Hostile, fixed wing- noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>259</sup>	
<b>Rodriguez Jr.</b> , Domingo Marine/H&S CO, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN PVT Panel 43E - Line 31	Mar 6, 1968	Oct 30, 1947	Hostile, fixed wing- noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>260</sup>	

<sup>254</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>255</sup> An AC-119 52-5907 gunship, radio call sign Shadow 76, crashed as it was taking off from Tan Son Nhut when an engine failed and caught fire. With all its armament and ammunition together with a full fuel load the single-engine performance of the AC-119G was insufficient to enable it to stay airborne. Six of the 10 crew were killed in the accident. SSgt Bradford was a photographer with the 600th Photo Squadron.

<sup>256</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base. Body not recovered.

<sup>257</sup> 39 KM E-SE OF DALAT

<sup>258</sup> C-123K 54-0639 HIT NEAR TANH LINH, UNCONTROLLABLE ENGINE FIRE, CRASHED 13 KM NORTHEAST OF BIEN HOA CITY








<sup>259</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

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<b>Rodriguez</b> , Arturo Army/C Co. 2 <sup>nd</sup> BN PFC Panel 15E - Line 29	Feb 14, 1967	Dec 5, 1946	Hostile, died outright other explosive device ground casualty <sup>261</sup>	
<b>Russell Jr.</b> , John Malcolm Marine/ H&S CO, 1st BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 32	Mar 6, 1968	Apr 30, 1949	Hostile, fixed wing-noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>262</sup>	
<b>Ryan</b> , Ronald Royce Marine/B CO, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN CPL Panel 43E - Line 32	Mar 6, 1968	Oct 29, 1945	Hostile, fixed wing-noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>263</sup>	
<b>Salinas</b> , Mercedes Perez Air Force/309 <sup>th</sup> ACS SSgt Panel 04E - Line 13	Dec 11, 1965	09/24/1928	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land fixed wing-crew <sup>264</sup>	
<b>Saucier</b> , Robert Arthur Air Force/600 <sup>th</sup> Photo Sq* A2C Panel 22E - Line 92	Jul 1 1967	Jul 15 1946	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes, air loss or crash over land, fixed wing -crew <sup>265</sup>	
<b>Saxby</b> , James Francis Air Force/310 <sup>th</sup> TAS* 1Lt Panel 06W - Line 92	Nov 29, 1970	Dec 19, 1946	Non-hostile, died missing, fixed wing-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>266</sup>	
<b>Schmidt</b> , Lawrence Edward Army/A Co, 589 <sup>th</sup> Eng Bn SP4 Panel 16W - Line 31	Nov 4, 1969	Oct 30, 1948	Non-hostile, died of illness or injury other accident ground casualty <sup>267</sup>	

<sup>261</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>262</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>263</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>264</sup> C-123B 56-4376 -The scattered wreckage of an Air Force C-123 carrying the Vietnamese air borne troops and US crew was discovered on a mountainside 40 miles north of Nha Trang. There appeared to be no survivors the spokesmen said. The plane was en route from Pleiku to Tuy Hoa on Dec. 11 when it sliced into heavy forest at the 3,000 foot level of the mountain and buried. If there are no survivors, it will be the worst single crash in cost of human lives in the Vietnamese war. Accident occurred in Phu Yen Province.

<sup>265</sup> F-100F 56-4002 - Combat photographer







<sup>266</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

<sup>267</sup> Undetermined.

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<b>Sears, Michael</b> Marine/H&S CO, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN CPL	Mar 6, 1968	Apr 11, 1947	Hostile, fixed wing- noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>268</sup>	
<b>Seay, Bobby Darel</b> Air Force/315 <sup>th</sup> SOW* SMS Panel 06W - Line 95	Nov 29, 1970	Feb 20, 1935	Non-hostile, died while missing air loss or crash over land fixed wing-non- crew <sup>269</sup>	
<b>Seiler, Clyde</b> Air Force/120 <sup>th</sup> TFS* Maj Panel 28W - Line 64	Mar 27, 1969	May 24, 1931	Hostile, fixed wing-pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>270</sup>	
<b>Shepard Jr., Harry</b> Clifton Air Force/19 SOS* TSgt Panel 17W - Line 64	Oct 10, 1969	Dec 3, 1937	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes Air loss or crash over land Fixed wing - crew <sup>271</sup>	
<b>Sherlin, Freddie Michael</b> Army/D CO, 589 <sup>th</sup> ENG BN SP5 Panel 20W - Line 116	Aug 8, 1969	Jul 6, 1948	Hostile, died of wounds artillery, rocket, or mortar ground casualty <sup>272</sup>	
<b>Sims, Thomas James</b> Army PVT Panel 25W - Line 25	May 8, 1969	Dec 13, 1948	Non-hostile, died of illness or injury accidental homicide ground casualty <sup>273</sup>	NA
<b>Skoro Jr, John Peter</b> Air Force/615 <sup>th</sup> TFS* 1LT Panel 10E - Line 93	Sep 13, 1966	Feb 3, 1942	Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land, fixed wing -pilot <sup>274</sup>	

<sup>268</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>269</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

<sup>270</sup> F-100C 54-1897 SHOT DOWN DURING CLOSE AIR SUPPORT MISSION APPROX 18 KM E-SE OF BIEN HOA CITY

<sup>271</sup> C-123K 54-0642 crashed on take-off from Rach Gia City air field

<sup>272</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>273</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>274</sup> F-100D 56-3071 NEAR PHU XUAN, 20 MILES NORTH OF PHU CAT 1st Lt. John Peter Skoro served with the 615th Tactical Fighter Squadron, 366th Tactical Fighter, 7th Air Force. During a strike on an automatic weapon position near Phu Xuan, 20 miles north of Phu Cat, the aircraft was hit by ground fire as it pulled up to 4,000 feet.







The pilot may have been hit, as he apparently made no attempt to eject.



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<b>Slate</b> , Donald Anthony Army/SVC BTRY, 5 <sup>TH</sup> BN SP4 Panel 06W - Line 95	Nov 29, 1970	Jun 3, 1946	Non-hostile, fixed wing- non-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>275</sup>	
<b>Sloan</b> , Thomas Newton Air Force/12 <sup>th</sup> CES TSgt Panel 04E - Line 20	Dec 17, 1965	Aug 13, 1937	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-non-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>276</sup>	
<b>Smith Jr.</b> , James Herbert Marine/Supply Co, 3 <sup>rd</sup> SVC BN LCPL Panel 43E - Line 35	Mar 6, 1968	Sep 3, 1946	Hostile, fixed wing- noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>277</sup>	
<b>Smith</b> , Elijah Henry Army/B CO, 2 <sup>ND</sup> BN, 502 <sup>ND</sup> INFANTRY, 101 <sup>ST</sup> ABN DIV* Sgt Panel 17E - Line 32	Mar 23, 1967	Sep 22, 1925	Hostile, died of wounds gun or small arms fire Ground casualty <sup>278</sup>	
<b>Smith</b> , Joseph Stanley Air Force/612 <sup>th</sup> TFS* Capt <sup>280</sup> Panel 04W - Line 106	Apr 4, 1971	May 7, 1945	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>281</sup>	
<b>Smithee</b> , Ronald Gail Army 2Lt Panel 25W - Line 85	May 12, 1969	Sep 14, 1946	Hostile, ground casualty Gun, Small Arms Fire <sup>282</sup>	

<sup>275</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

<sup>276</sup> AC-47D 43-49492 HIT MOUNTAIN 16-1/2 MILES SOUTH-SOUTHWEST OF PHAN RANG. It is unknown why in his profile picture he is wearing a Navy uniform.

<sup>277</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>278</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>279</sup> Vietnam Air Losses by Christ Hobson lists his organization as 352 TFS

<sup>280</sup> Promoted while MIA


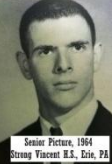



<sup>281</sup> F-100D 56-3120 DOWN DURING STRAFING RUN 56 KM NORTH-NORTHWEST OF KAMPONG CHAM AIR FIELD, CB, 1971. MSgt Jon Alexander, Tower Chief, a personal friend of Joseph Stanley Smith wrote the follow: Joe and I both are from Illinois and we have had a few beers swapping flying stories. Before Vietnam, I worked part time as a Regional Airline Captain. I told Joe that I would be in the Tower the next day. The only transmission received by the Control Tower was "Jon, I am not going to make it." A few days later, I was honored to be the Air Traffic Controller handling the final missing man formation for Joseph Stanley Smith.

<sup>282</sup> Undetermined.

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<b>Smithwick, David George</b> Army SP4 Panel 02W - Line 57	Oct 30, 1971	Jun 16, 1949	Non-hostile, ground casualty, vehicle crash <sup>283</sup>	
<b>Springston Jr., Theodore</b> Air Force/13 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq* COL Panel 21E - Line 53	Jun 3, 1967	Nov 23, 1931	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>284</sup>	
<b>Stacy, Walter Robert</b> Army/192 <sup>ND</sup> AHC * WO Panel 24W - Line 22	May 15, 1969	Sep 14, 1946	Non-Hostile, died outright from other causes, air loss or crash over land Helicopter-Pilot <sup>285</sup>	 <small>Senior Picture, 1964 Stacy Vincent W.S., Capt, 72</small>
<b>Stanciu, Kenneth Allen</b> Marine/K CO, 3 <sup>rd</sup> BN LCPL Panel 43E - Line 35	Mar 6, 1968	Nov 5, 1947	Hostile, fixed wing-noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>286</sup>	
<b>Starnes, James Cecil</b> Air Force/315 <sup>th</sup> CMS* SSgt Panel 06W - Line 96	Nov 29, 1970	Mar 27, 1939	Non-Hostile died missing, fixed wing-non crew air loss crash on land <sup>287</sup>	
<b>Steiro, Robert Edward</b> Army/C Co, 1 <sup>st</sup> Bn, 327 <sup>th</sup> Infantry, 101 <sup>st</sup> Abn Div* PFC Panel 14E - Line 99	Jan 30, 1967	Nov 20, 1946	Hostile, ground casualty gun, small arms fire <sup>288</sup>	
<b>Stewart, Donald David</b> Air Force/309 <sup>th</sup> ACS SSgt Panel 04E - Line 11	Dec 11, 1965	01/22/1937	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land fixed wing-crew <sup>289</sup>	

<sup>283</sup> VEHICLE ACCIDENT 13 KM S-SW OF PHAN RANG AB 1971

<sup>284</sup> B-57B 53-3862 DISAPPEARED VICINITY 28 KM SE OF KY AN, NVN

<sup>285</sup> UH-1H 66-16250 CRASHED IN RIVER AFTER T/O FROM PHAN RANG AIR BASE. See Phan Rang AB Newsletter 90 detailing the Phan Rang Scuba Diving Club “Sea Serpents” efforts to recover his body.

<sup>286</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>287</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER 1970








<sup>288</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>289</sup> C-123B 56-4376 -The scattered wreckage of an Air Force C-123 carrying the Vietnamese air borne troops and US crew was discovered on a mountainside 40 miles north of Nha Trang. There appeared to be no survivors the spokesmen said. The plane was en route from Pleiku to Tuy Hoa on Dec. 11 when it sliced into heavy forest at the 3,000 foot level of the mountain and burred. If there are no survivors, it will be the worst single crash in cost of human lives in the Vietnamese war. Accident occurred in Phu Yen Province.

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<p><b>Stieferman, Curtis,</b> Edward Air Force/310<sup>th</sup> ACS* SSgt Panel 29E - Line 22</p>	<p>Nov 4, 1967</p>	<p>Mar 7, 1939</p>	<p>Non-hostile, died of illness or injury. Air loss or crash over land. Crew<sup>290</sup></p>	
<p><b>Strong, Stanley Grant</b><sup>291</sup> Marine/C Co, 1st BN CPL Panel 43E - Line 35</p>	<p>Mar 6, 1968</p>	<p>Nov 26, 1946</p>	<p>Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - Noncrew<sup>292</sup></p>	
<p><b>Strout, Roger Henry</b> Air Force/311 SOS* 1Lt Panel 36W - Line 38</p>	<p>Dec 17, 1968</p>	<p>Jul 9, 1943</p>	<p>Non-hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed wing-crew<sup>293</sup></p>	
<p><b>Stubblefield, James</b> Edward Air Force/435<sup>th</sup> MMS* Sgt Panel 06W - Line 96</p>	<p>Nov 29, 1970</p>	<p>Oct 12, 1947</p>	<p>Non-hostile, died missing, fixed wing-non-crew air loss, crash on land<sup>294</sup></p>	
<p><b>Tate, Daniel Harrison</b> Air Force/310<sup>th</sup> TAS* LTC Panel 05W - Line 97</p>	<p>Feb 11, 1971</p>	<p>Jun 1, 1931</p>	<p>Non-hostile, fixed wing-crew air loss, crash on land<sup>295</sup></p>	
<p><b>Taylor, James Otis</b> Marine/2<sup>nd</sup> BN, 26<sup>th</sup> Marines PFC Panel 43E - Line 36</p>	<p>Mar 6, 1968</p>	<p>Nov 9, 1949</p>	<p>Hostile, fixed wing-noncrew Air loss, crash on land<sup>296</sup></p>	
<p><b>Taylor, Louis Gaines</b> Marine/A CO, 1<sup>st</sup> BN LCPL Panel 43E - Line 36</p>	<p>Mar 6, 1968</p>	<p>Sep 20, 1947</p>	<p>Hostile, fixed wing-noncrew Air loss, crash on land<sup>297</sup></p>	

<sup>290</sup> F-105D HITS C-123K WHILE LANDING AT TAN SON NHUT AFLD 1967 See Phan Rang AB Newsletter 189 for more details.

<sup>291</sup> Donald Luke (USAF AC-47 Crewmember) says that he was good friends with Stanley who went to the same high school (Charter Oat High School, Covina, Ca.). He was wounded at Khe Sahn and was on his way back to rejoin his group.

<sup>292</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>293</sup> C-123K 54-0708 crashed shortly after take-off, 5 km southeast of Chu Lai air field

<sup>294</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER 1970

<sup>295</sup> UC-123K 56-4373 CRASHED AT PHAN RANG AIR BASE








<sup>296</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

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<b>Taylor</b> , Sherman Ray Army SP4 Panel 04W - Line 8	Feb 26, 1971	Oct 9, 1952	Non-hostile, ground casualty accidental self-destruction <sup>298</sup>	
<b>Terhune Jr.</b> , Daryl Bert Marine/G Co, 2 <sup>nd</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 36	Mar 6, 1968	Dec 30, 1943	Hostile, fixed wing-noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>299</sup>	
<b>Terrell</b> , William Lee Marine/3 <sup>rd</sup> PLT, A CO CPL Panel 43E - Line 36	Mar 6, 1968	Dec 31, 1945	Hostile, fixed wing-noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>300</sup>	
<b>Teschendorf</b> , Ronnie Carl Air Force/35 <sup>th</sup> CES* Sgt Panel 06W - Line 96	Nov 29, 1970	Oct 18, 1949	Non-hostile, died missing, fixed wing-non-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>301</sup>	
<b>Thomas</b> , Henry Benny Army SP4	Aug 31, 1970	Jun 26, 1950	Hostile, ground casualty other explosive device <sup>302</sup>	
<b>Thompson</b> , Gregory Carl Army SP4	Jul 26, 1970	Nov 17, 1950	Non-Hostile, ground casualty other accident <sup>303</sup>	
<b>Tosh</b> , Brent John Air Force/14 <sup>th</sup> ACS* Sgt (Aerial Gunner) Panel 39E - Line 54	Feb 15, 1968	Oct 12, 1945	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-crew air loss, crash on land <sup>304</sup>	
<b>Troyer</b> , John Michael Air Force/559 <sup>th</sup> TFS 1Lt Panel 13E - Line 17	Dec 6, 1966	Dec 17, 1940	Hostile, died while missing, fixed wing-pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>305</sup>	

<sup>298</sup> ACCIDENT, CAM RANH ARMY AFLD COMPLEX

<sup>299</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>300</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>301</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

<sup>302</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>303</sup> Undetermined.








<sup>304</sup> AC-47D 43-49859 5 MILES SOUTH OF PHAN RANG AFLD

<sup>305</sup> F4-C 63-7521 HIT MOUNTAIN DURING RADAR-CONTROLLED DESCENT THRU CLOUDS

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<b>Tucker, Joe Nathan</b> Air Force/554 <sup>th</sup> CES* Sgt Panel 13W - Line 83	Mar 4, 1970	Feb 12, 1944	Hostile, ground casualty artillery, rocket, or mortar <sup>306</sup>	
<b>Turley, Morvan Darrell</b> Air Force/352 TFS* Capt Panel 14E - Line 25	Jan 13, 1967	Sep 9, 1936	Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land Fixed Wing - Pilot <sup>307</sup>	
<b>Turner, Merle Deane</b> Air Force/19 ACS* LtCol Panel 25E - Line 112	Sep 4, 1967	Jan 27, 1923	Hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash over land fixed wing-pilot <sup>308</sup>	
<b>Tyler, Jessie James</b> Army SSgt Panel 20W - Line 116	Aug 8, 1969	Dec 25, 1931	Hostile, ground casualty artillery, rocket, or mortar <sup>309</sup>	
<b>Unkrich, William</b> Ferdinard Air Force/19 SOS* Capt Panel 17W - Line 65	Oct 10, 1969	Sep 15, 1943	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes Air loss or crash over land Fixed wing - pilot <sup>310</sup>	
<b>Valdez, Leroy Edward</b> Air Force/352 <sup>nd</sup> TFS* Sgt Panel 37E - Line 1	Feb 2, 1968	Dec 7, 1944	Non-hostile, ground casualty drowned, suffocated	
<b>Vickers, Robert Lee</b> Marine/A Co, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN LCPL Panel 43E - Line 37	Mar 6, 1968	Jan 28, 1948	Hostile, fixed wing- noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>311</sup>	
<b>Villanueva, Florencio G</b> Army/C CO, 41 <sup>ST</sup> SIG BN, 21ST SIG GRP, 1 <sup>ST</sup> SIG BDE*	Jan 8, 1968	Jul 20, 1925	Non-hostile, ground casualty heart attack <sup>312</sup>	

<sup>306</sup> MORTAR ATTACK ON PHAN RANG AIR BASE

<sup>307</sup> F-100D 56-3448 crashed 25 miles NW of Vung Tau, body not recovered

<sup>308</sup> C-123K 54-0621 hit ridgeline 18 KM south-southwest of Bao Loc air field during approach for landing

<sup>309</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>310</sup> C-123K 54-0642 crashed on take-off from Rach Gia City air field






<sup>311</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>312</sup> Undetermined.

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SSgt Panel 34E - Line 1				
<b>Waldron Jr.</b> , Karl Merritt Air Force/14 <sup>th</sup> ACS* LTC (pilot) Panel 39E - Line 55	Feb 15, 1968	Dec 7, 1944	Hostile, died while missing air loss or crash over land fixed wing-pilot <sup>i</sup>	
<b>Waldron</b> , Howard Bert Marine/H&S Co, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN MSGT Panel 43E - Line 37	Mar 6, 1968	May 18, 1926	Hostile, fixed wing- noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>313</sup>	
<b>Wanner</b> , Carl Joseph Air Force/310 <sup>th</sup> SOS* SSGT Panel 24W - Line 51	May 18, 1969	Apr 7, 1939	Hostile, died outright air loss or crash over land fixed wing-crew <sup>314</sup>	
<b>Ward</b> , David James Army CPL Panel 53W - Line 14	Jul 4, 1968	Aug 19, 1947	Hostile, ground casualty multiple fragmentation wounds <sup>315</sup>	
<b>Watson</b> , Billy Joe Army SFC Panel 03W - Line 84	Jun 21, 1971	Oct 19, 1932	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes Vehicle loss or crash ground casualty <sup>316</sup>	
<b>Watson</b> , Harry Allen Air Force/310 <sup>th</sup> TAS* SSgt Panel 06W - Line 96	Nov 29, 1970	Mar 2, 1933	Non-hostile, died while missing air loss or crash over land fixed wing- crew <sup>317</sup>	
<b>Waugh</b> , Grant Reed Air Force/310 <sup>th</sup> TAS* MAJ	Aug 10, 1970	Jul 15, 1938	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land fixed wing, pilot <sup>318</sup>	

<sup>313</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>314</sup> C-123K 54-0639 HIT NEAR TANH LINH, UNCONTROLLABLE ENGINE FIRE, CRASHED 13 KM NORTHEAST OF BIEN HOA CITY

<sup>315</sup> Undetermined.

<sup>316</sup> LIGHTNING DETONATED CLAYMORE ON TRUCK 22KM SW CAM RANH


<sup>317</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

<sup>318</sup> C-123K 55-4527 ENGINE FAILURE, CRASHED VICINITY CAM RANH BAY AFLD

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<b>Weightman Jr., Kenneth G</b> Air Force/HQ SQ 366 <sup>th</sup> TFW* A1C Panel 08E - Line 32	Jun 10, 1966	Oct 5, 1939	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes, ground casualty <sup>319</sup>	 <small>A1C Kenneth G. Weightman, Jr., USAF Photo courtesy of Kenneth G. Weightman, Jr.</small>
<b>Weixel, Daniel Joseph</b> Air Force/35 <sup>th</sup> Spt Sq* SSgt Panel 63W - Line 13	May 29, 1968	May 6, 1920	Non-hostile, died of illness/injury, ground casualty heart attack <sup>320</sup>	N/A
<b>Welsh, Elbert Arthur</b> Army/Eng Const CC Maj Panel 02W - Line 18	Sep 16, 1971	May 17, 1938	Hostile, died outright gun or small arms fire ground casualty <sup>321</sup>	
<b>Wesolowski, Jeffrey Scott</b> Army/192 <sup>nd</sup> AHC AVN BN* SP4 Panel 03W - Line 83	Jun 19, 1971	Aug 24, 1950	Non-Hostile, ground casualty Accidental self-destruction <sup>322</sup>	
<b>West, Stephen Alan</b> Marine/H&S Co, 1 <sup>st</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 38	Mar 6, 1968	Aug 5, 1949	Hostile, fixed wing-noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>323</sup>	
<b>Whiteman II, William Earl</b> Army/HHC, 299 <sup>th</sup> ENG BN Capt Panel 02W - Line 42	Oct 19, 1971	Sep 23, 1944	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes air loss or crash over land fixed wing-noncrew <sup>324</sup>	
<b>Wichman, Roger Edward</b> Air Force/615 <sup>th</sup> TFS* Capt Panel 39W - Line 41	Nov 9, 1968	Jul 1, 1937	Hostile, fixed wing-pilot air loss, crash on land <sup>325</sup>	

<sup>319</sup> He was struck by lightning as he departed the flight line dining facility after he had finished his evening meal. Robert Peterson said he was standing in the chow line in front of him when he got hit. His mess kid looked like it was spot welded and all bent up and Alan Goodin said he saw it go flying like it imploded and melted.

<sup>320</sup> HEART FAILURE, PHAN RANG AIR BASE

<sup>321</sup> VEHICLE AMBUSHED, HWY QL-11 AT SUOI MON RIVER 22 KM NW OF PHAN RANG AB  
<sup>322</sup> 8 KM S-SE OF PHAN RANG CITY

<sup>323</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>324</sup> U-6A AIRCRAFT ENTERED INSTRUMENT CONDITIONS, HIT MOUNTAIN 24 KM SOUTH OF PHAN RANG AIR BASE

<sup>325</sup> F-100D 56-3446 VICINITY THON VU BON, 10 MILES S OF PHAN RANG

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<p><b>Wiechert, Robert</b> Charles Air Force/352 TFS* Maj Panel 39W - Line 76</p>	Nov 16, 1968	Sep 3, 1930	Non-hostile, died while missing Air loss or crash at sea Fixed wing-pilot <sup>326</sup>	
<p><b>Wienckoski, David</b> Raymond Marine/L Co, 3<sup>rd</sup> BN PFC Panel 43E - Line 39</p>	Mar 6, 1968	Jan 13, 1948	Hostile, fixed wing-noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>327</sup>	
<p><b>Williams Jr., Hollis</b> Marine/H Co, 2<sup>nd</sup> BN LCPL Panel 43E - Line 39</p>	Mar 6, 1968	Apr 23, 1947	Hostile, fixed wing-noncrew Air loss, crash on land <sup>328</sup>	
<p><b>Williams, Marshall Wayne</b> Army/35<sup>th</sup> ENG GP 1Lt Panel 02W - Line 44</p>	Oct 19, 1971	Aug 5, 1944	Non-hostile, died outright from other causes Air loss or crash over land fixed wing-pilot <sup>329</sup>	
<p><b>Williams, Thomas</b> Hansford Marine/ PFC Panel 43E - Line 39</p>	Mar 6, 1968	Jan 16, 1949	Hostile, fixed wing-noncrew Air loss, crash on land	
<p><b>Williams, Vincent Richard</b> Army/B Co., 1<sup>st</sup> BN PFC Panel 17E - Line 15</p>	Mar 21, 1967	Dec 25, 1946	Hostile, died outright misadventure ground casualty <sup>330</sup>	
<p><b>Willis, Thomas Murten</b> Air Force/366<sup>th</sup> SPS* A2C Panel 21E - Line 59</p>	Jun 5, 1967	Oct 3, 1946	Non-hostile, died of illness/injury, ground casualty illness, disease <sup>331</sup>	

<sup>326</sup> F-100D 55-3653 water impact in South China Sea 20 NM east of Cam Ranh Bay

<sup>327</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>328</sup> C-123K 54-0590 shot down 8 km east of Khe Sanh combat base.

<sup>329</sup> U-6A Beaver AIRCRAFT ENTERED INSTRUMENT CONDITIONS, HIT MOUNTAIN 24 KM SOUTH OF PHAN RANG AIR BASE

<sup>330</sup> Undetermined.





<sup>331</sup> Undetermined.



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<b>Woolley, Ivan Alfred</b> RAAF/No. 2 Sq* LAC	Dec 11, 1969	Apr 8, 1948	Accidental (Motor Vehicle Accident) <sup>332</sup>	
<b>Worthington, Laurence D.</b> Army/48 <sup>th</sup> AHC, 10 <sup>th</sup> AVN BN WO Panel 35W - Line 74	Jan 11, 1969	Feb 14, 1938	Hostile, died outright Air loss or crash over land Helicopter-crew <sup>333</sup>	 <small>WO Worthington, USA 10 Army 1968</small>
<b>Wright, James Paul</b> Army WO	Oct 28, 1968	Nov 11, 1949	NA <sup>334</sup>	
<b>Young, James Bruce</b> Air Force/483 <sup>RD</sup> Maint Sq A1C Panel 06W - Line 96	Nov 29, 1970	Dec 1, 1946	Non-Hostile, died missing, Fixed Wing - Non-crew Air loss-crash on land <sup>335</sup>	

## MAY THEY ALL REST IN PEACE WITH OUR LORD

**Sources: Coffelt Data base, The Vietnam Veterans Memorial (The Wall) and The Virtual Vietnam Veterans Wall of Faces and other sources. All information compiled by Douglas Severt.**

Additional Notes:

1. Articles and the story of the crash of C-123K 54-0649, 29 November 1970 is told in Phan Rang Newsletter 74 and 150.
2. The hunt for Magpie 41 is told in Phan Rang Newsletter 147.
3. The crash of the Navy AC-47D 43-49859 is told in Phan Rang Newsletter 154.
4. The crash of Army U6A Beaver 19 October is told in Phan Rang Newsletter 47 and 65.
5. The crash of C-123K 56-4373, 11 February 1971 is told in Phan Rang Newsletter 62.
6. The crash of C-123K 55-4527, 10 August 1970 is told in Phan Rang Newsletter 143.

<sup>332</sup> Woolley was on road escort to Cam Ranh Bay and the vehicle crashed on the return trip. It is suspected that they were hit by a sniper, but apparently that is not the official line. He was in the same accident as Bryan Fitzpatrick.

<sup>333</sup> UH-1B 62-02012 hit by small arms in flight, no crash

<sup>334</sup> Unsure where this info came from. Cannot find on Virtual Wall, Wall of Faces or Coffelt Database.

<sup>335</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

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7. The crash of HH-43B 58-1845, 10 October 1968 is told in Phan Rang Newsletter 1.
8. Asterisk after the unit indicates that it was a Phan Rang AB assigned organization.
9. If any reader has additional names or information that should be added to this list please send me that information so that I can include it.
10. RAAF policy is that if a person died within 12 months of RTA it is considered died on active duty.

### Terms Used

**Self-Destruction:** Behavior that causes serious harm to oneself.

**Accidental Homicide:** Accidental homicide is where you kill someone in the course of a lawful act that is done with a reasonable belief that no harm will take place.

**Accidental Self-Destruction:** When you kill yourself by accident.

**Misadventure:** This is a coroner's term that originated in the UK to describe a death due to risk willingly incurred — a preventable death.

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<sup>i</sup> C-123K 54-0649 HIT MOUNTAIN 15 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM RANH BAY IN BAD WEATHER

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