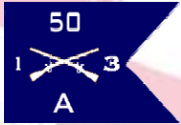




4TH INFANTRY
DIVISION



1ST BATTALION
50TH INFANTRY



"A" COMPANY
3RD PLATOON



PRIVATE FIRST
CLASS



INFANTRYMAN

RICHARD LEWIS BELINGE

"A" Company, 3RD Platoon, 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 50th Infantry
PFC, E3, US55987673, MOS 11B10
Home of Record: Springfield, MO

Date of Birth: August 31, 1945, Age at time of loss: 22, Single
4th Infantry Division, Binh Dinh Province, Republic of Vietnam

Start of Tour: December 21, 1967, Date of Casualty: March 26, 1968, Days in Country: 96
Casualty Type A1, OED, Panel 46E - Row 029

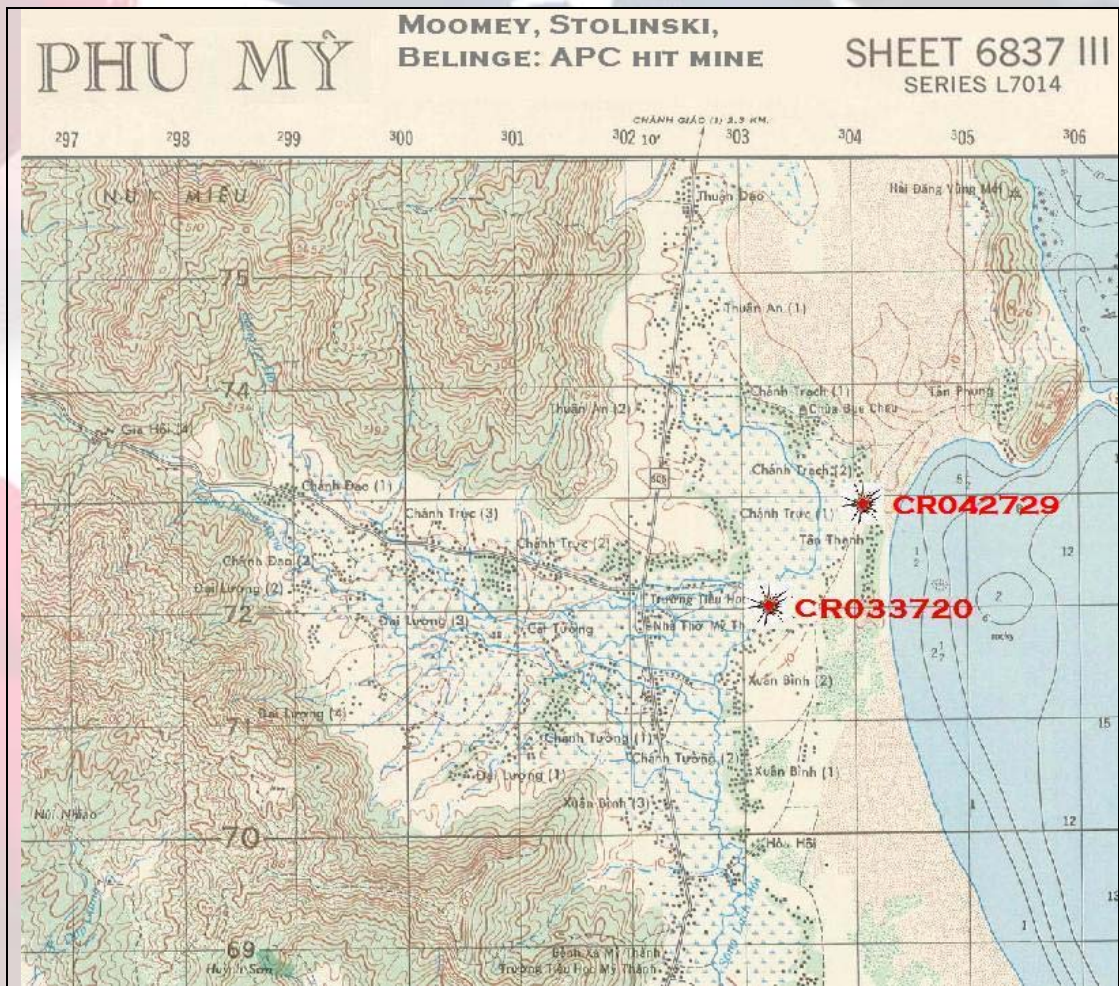
Private First Class Richard Belinge was killed along with Charles Moomey and Jim Stolinski when the Armored Personnel Carrier (APC) they occupied, riding point, hit a large mine. Several other members of the 3rd Platoon were injured in the blast as well, including Bob Wuestenberg, who described the event for our files. He relates: "I recall moving in the sand along a tree-lined bank to our left. Stolinski asked if he could drive the APC...and he and the driver switched. Stolinski maneuvered the APC into a left hand turn to climb the bank and hit the mine".

Currently, no photo exists for this man.

If you can supply us with a photo, we would be grateful...and see that it gets distributed to the appropriate Internet memorial web pages.

Contact Jim Sheppard:
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A map of the location of the incident (CR042729) is shown below:



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**Richard Belinge is buried at Springfield National Cemetery,
1702 East Seminole Street, Springfield, MO.
Section 34, Site 1064**



Headstone of Richard Belinge



RICHARD BELINGE'S AWARDS AND DECORATIONS



Combat Infantry Badge



Purple Heart



National Defense



Vietnam Service



Vietnam Campaign