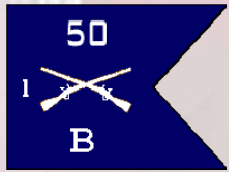




1ST
AIR CAVALRY
DIVISION



1ST BATTALION
50TH INFANTRY



"B" COMPANY



STAFF
SERGEANT



INFANTRY

ARCHIE BURNETTE, JR.

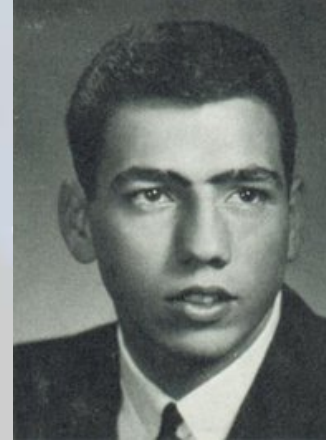
"B" Company, 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 50th Infantry
Sergeant, E5, Posthumous Promotion to SSG, RA19886919, MOS 11B4D
Home of Record: Aberdeen, WA

Date of Birth: February 21, 1947, Age at time of loss: 20, Married
1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile), Binh Dinh Province, Republic of Vietnam
Start of Tour: May 17, 1967, Date of Casualty: January 31, 1968, Days in Country: 259
Casualty Type A3, Gun, small arms fire, Panel 35E - Row 089

Sergeant Burnette was killed as "B" Company, moving from the South, came under heavy fire from the village of Binh Tri) at the outset of fighting during the Tet Offensive of January 31st, 1968. He was awarded the Bronze Star with "V" Device (For Valor) for his actions that day.

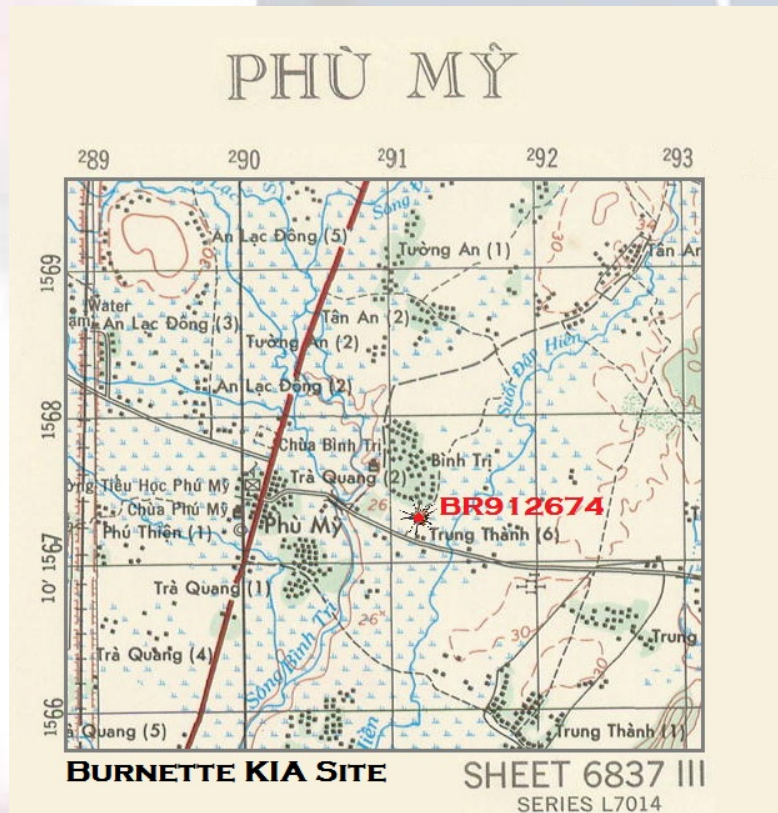


A recent transfer from the 5th Battalion, 7th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile), he had only been with the 50th Infantry for 5 days.



The main attack on Phu My was to have come from Binh Tri, where the enemy was being held and reduced by the combination of Mechanized units and Spooky (Aircraft rigged with multiple Gatling Guns).

A map of the KIA site is shown below:



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**Archie Burnette, Jr., is buried at Fern Hill Cemetery,
Aberdeen, Grays Harbor County, Washington (Pictured Below)**



ARCHIE BURNETTE'S AWARDS AND DECORATIONS



Combat Infantry Badge



**Bronze
Star
(Valor)**



**Air
Medal**



**Purple
Heart**



**National
Defense**



**Vietnam
Service**



**Vietnam
Campaign**