



9TH INFANTRY
DIVISION



50TH INFANTRY



"E" COMPANY



PRIVATE
FIRST CLASS



INFANTRYMAN

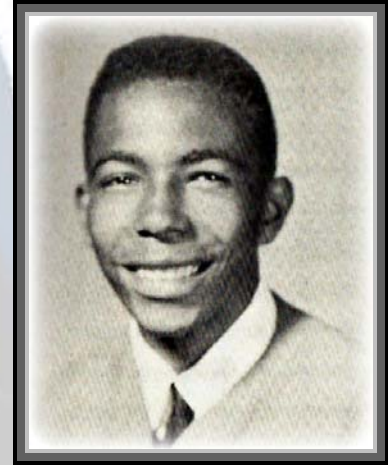
JAMES L. DILLARD, III

"E" Company (Long Range Patrol), 50th Infantry, 9th Infantry Division
Private First Class, E3, US67084481, MOS 11B1P
Home of Record: Miami, FL

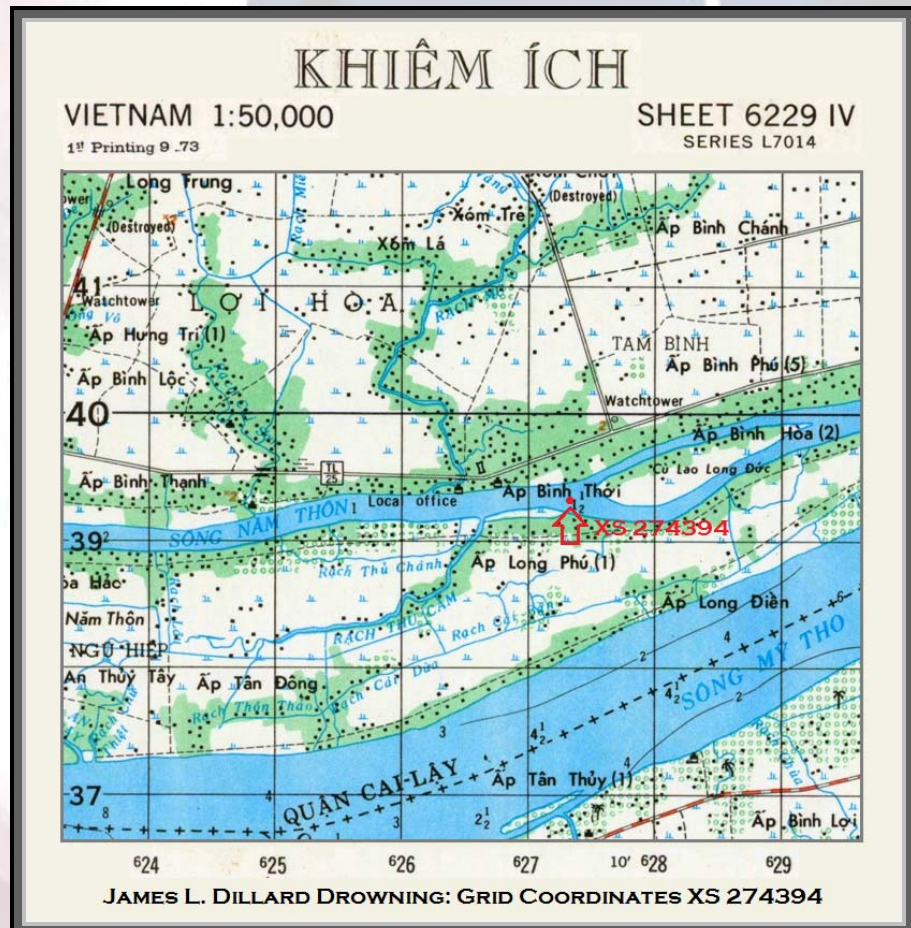
Date of Birth: October 29, 1946, Age at time of loss: 21, Single
9th Infantry Division, Dinh Tuong Province, Republic of Vietnam
Start of Tour: August 6, 1968, Date of Casualty: September 13, 1968, Days in Country: 38
Casualty Type C1, Non-Hostile, died of other causes, Drowned, Panel 44W - Row 047

PFC James Dillard belonged to the elite Company E, 50th Infantry Long Range Patrol unit of the 9th Infantry Division, operating in the massive delta region of South Vietnam.

At 6:20 AM on September 13th, 1968, his LRP Team was inserted near the My Tho and Nam Thon Rivers. Although the location of their mission is unknown, documentation from the date indicates there were no incidents and extraction was requested about an hour later.



Apparently, during the extraction...which took place near the middle of the Nam Thon River....PFC Dillard slipped into the river and disappeared. A scuba (Seal) team was requested after an immediate search of the location failed to find Dillard. Dillard's body was eventually located. Below is a map showing the location of the drowning.



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AWARDS AND DECORATIONS OF JAMES DILLARD:



Combat Infantry Badge



Basic Parachutist Badge



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Vietnam
Service

Vietnam
Campaign