

173rd Airborne Brigade



1ST BATTALION 50TH INFANTRY







MALCOLM CYRIL DULAC First Sergeant, "A" Company, 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 50th Infantry First Sergeant, E8, RA11186589, MOS 11G50 Home of Record: Dexter, ME Date of Birth: December 25, 1931, Age at time of loss: 36, Single 173rd Airborne Brigade (Separate), Binh Dinh Province, Republic of Vietnam Start of Tour: September 30, 1967, Date of Casualty: May 5, 1968, Days in Country: 218 Casualty Type A1, Gun, small arms fire, Panel 55E - Row 010

At noon, on May 5, 1968, near the villages of An Bao in Binh Dinh Province, "A" Company forces were attacked and outnumbered 10 to 1 by a Regiment of the North Vietnamese Army. "A" Company forces were overrun and took heavy casualties when Charlie Company was called in to reinforce the besieged Alpha Company. Upon arrival, the enemy, who had fallen silent to allow the "C" Company troops to enter the ambush zone, opened fire with an intense and sustained barrage of small arms, automatic weapons and B40 Rocket fire from three sides.



"A" Company's 1st Sergeant Malcolm Dulac was close to the end of his enlistment, but wanted to go out to the field with the troops one last time. He was in the medic track

with Donald Stephenson as his RTO and Medic Bruce Tabor...all three were killed that day.

Fierce fighting ensued on both 1/50th Companies as additional reinforcements from "B" Company, 1/50th Infantry and "B" Company, 1/69th Armor were called in to battle the huge enemy force.

Read about the Battle of An Bao: <u>http://www.ichiban1.org/pdf/Memorial/AnBaoCondensed.pdf</u> <u>http://www.ichiban1.org/pdf/Memorial/AnBaoExpanded.pdf</u> A map of the location of the Battle of An Bao in Binh Dinh Province is shown below:



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Malcolm Dulac is buried at Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Cemetery Road, Dexter, Penobscot County, Maine (Pictures Below). The Association wishes to thank Malcolm's brother Stanford Dulac for photos used in this memorial.







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On May 2, 2013, the "A" Company barracks at the current day 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Complex at Fort Benning, Georgia, was named "Dulac Hall" in honor of 1SG Malcolm Dulac. The photos below are of Malcolm Dulac's brother Stan and his wife accepting the Dedication Certificate, the Dedication Placard to be placed inside the building and a photo of the front of the "A" Company Barracks.



DULAC BARRACKS

NAMED IN HONOR OF FIRST SERGEANT MALCOLM C. DULAC

> INFANTRY VIETNAM WAR 1968 AWARDED THE BRONZE STAR



MALCOLM DULAC'S **AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:***



Combat Infantry Badge, 2nd Award (Service in Korea and South Vietnam)







Conduct









Star Valor

Medal 3 Awards

Purple Heart

National Defense

Vietnam Service

Korean Vietnam Service Campaign



KOREA

(Citation signed by General Omar Bradley): "On the night of 14-15 September, 1950, near Hoeman, Korea, (Northwest Corner of Korea...20 miles from the DMZ) the rifle company to which Sergeant Dulac was attached was under attack by a powerful hostile force. Advancing through intense small arms and automatic weapons fire, he manned a machine gun on the perimeter defense line and remained at his post to cover the tactical displacement of the forward elements.

After joining the infantry in a determined counterattack that restored the original line, he secured an exposed vantage point and maintained a steady stream of deadly fire for the remainder of the night.

Sergeant Dulac's valorous initiative, determined spirit and selfless devotion to duty are in keeping with the great traditions of the United States Army."

VIETNAM

"For Heroism is connection with military operations against a hostile force. 1st Sergeant Dulac distinguished himself on 5 May 1968 in the Republic of Vietnam.

On this day, Company A was on a search and clear mission when it was attacked by an enemy force. 1st Sergeant Dulac was in the Medic's Armored Personnel Carrier and was thrown out of it when it was struck by enemy rocket fire. He went back into the vehicle to help remove the wounded and was severely wounded as the APC burst into flames. While attempting to remove more wounded from the burning vehicle, he was mortally wounded.

1st Sergeant Dulac's actions were in keeping with the highest military traditions and reflect great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army."

*The list of awards shown here is, in all likelihood, incomplete. Awards shown are only those verified.