



**173RD  
AIRBORNE  
BRIGADE**

# ALFRED ANDREW "FLIP" FILIPPELLI

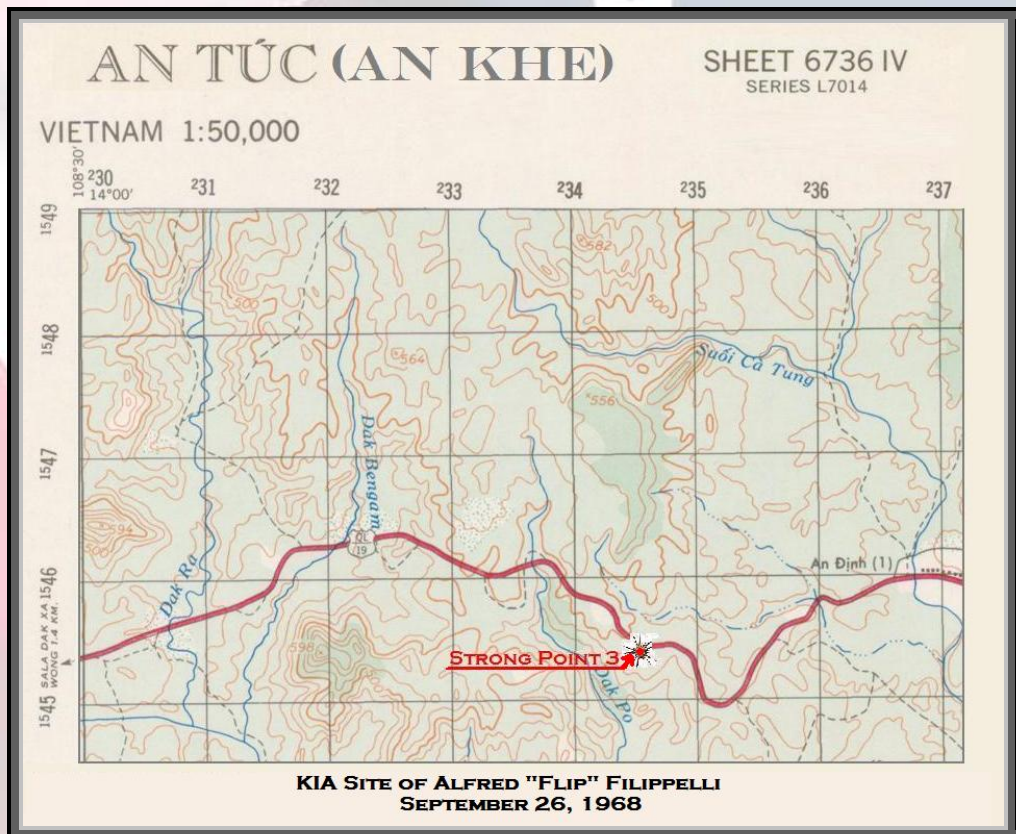
Support Platoon, "D" Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion (Mechanized), 50<sup>th</sup> Infantry  
Private First Class, E3, Posthumous Promotion to CPL, US52765620, MOS 11B10  
Home of Record: Woodside, NY

Date of Birth: February 14, 1948, Age at time of loss: 20, Single  
173rd Airborne Brigade (Separate), Binh Dinh Province, Republic of Vietnam  
Start of Tour: August 8, 1968, Date of Casualty: September 26, 1968, Days in Country: 49  
Casualty Type A1, ARM, Panel 42W - Row 017

Al "Flip" Filippelli was killed during a mortar attack on Strong Point 3 along Highway 19 West of An Khe. His replacement, Association member [Clarence West](#), recalls: "We were at An Khe in the Support Platoon with "D" Company. My Squad had individual members that went out with the Line Companies. I was the Squad Leader at the time. We drove the Ammo trucks while at Bong Son earlier in the year and while at An Khe, we took out water and fuel and sometimes ammo. That day he and another in my squad went out to a bridge site that was being protected a few miles away. They were in a truck delivering water when mortar rounds began impacting the area. The two raced for cover in a nearby Armored Personnel Carrier and shrapnel from one round struck and killed Filippelli while the second man made it to safety".

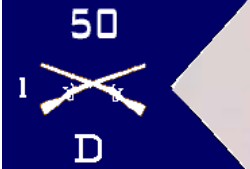


A map of the location of Al Filippelli's death is shown below:



**1<sup>ST</sup> BATTALION  
50<sup>TH</sup> INFANTRY**

**SVC. PLATOON**



**"D" COMPANY**



**CORPORAL**



**INFANTRY**

**Al Filippelli is buried at Long Island National Cemetery, Farmingdale, Suffolk County, New York, Plot T Site 8742. (Picture Below)**



**ALFRED FILIPPELLI'S AWARDS AND DECORATIONS\*:**



**Combat Infantry Badge**



\*The list of awards shown here is, in all likelihood, incomplete. Awards shown are only those verified to date. More may be added as verified. It was common to receive some award when killed in action...usually a Bronze Star for enlisted men.