



1<sup>ST</sup> CAVALRY  
DIVISION  
(AIRMOBILE)



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

THIRD  
PLATOON

50



"C" COMPANY



PRIVATE FIRST  
CLASS



INFANTRYMAN

## JAMES CHRISTIAN FREIDT

3<sup>rd</sup> Platoon, "C" Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion (Mechanized), 50<sup>th</sup> Infantry

Private First Class, E3, US55879058, MOS 11B10

Home of Record: Grand Forks, ND

Date of Birth: May 5, 1947, Age at time of loss: 20, Single

1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division (Airmobile), Binh Dinh Province, Republic of Vietnam

Start of Tour: September 1, 1967, Date of Casualty: October 11, 1967, Days in Country: 40

Casualty Type A1, MFW, Panel 27E - Row 089

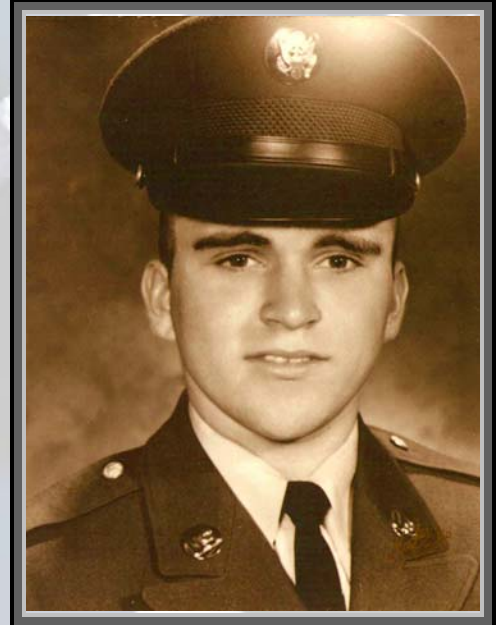
Jim Freidt was killed in action on the morning of October 11<sup>th</sup>, 1967, when, at dawn, his third platoon was moving to join the rest of Charlie Company on a Cordon and Search of the village of Phu Ha near the coast of Phu My District, Binh Dinh Province.

PFC Freidt was walking "point" as his platoon moved along a trail at the base of their elevated night position when he tripped a booby trapped grenade. We believe he died instantly. He was the first man killed from Charlie Company and the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion (Mechanized), 50<sup>th</sup> Infantry's second fatal casualty.

For a personal story of the night preceding Jim's death, visit:

[http://www.ichiban1.org/html/stories/story\\_first\\_casualty.htm](http://www.ichiban1.org/html/stories/story_first_casualty.htm)

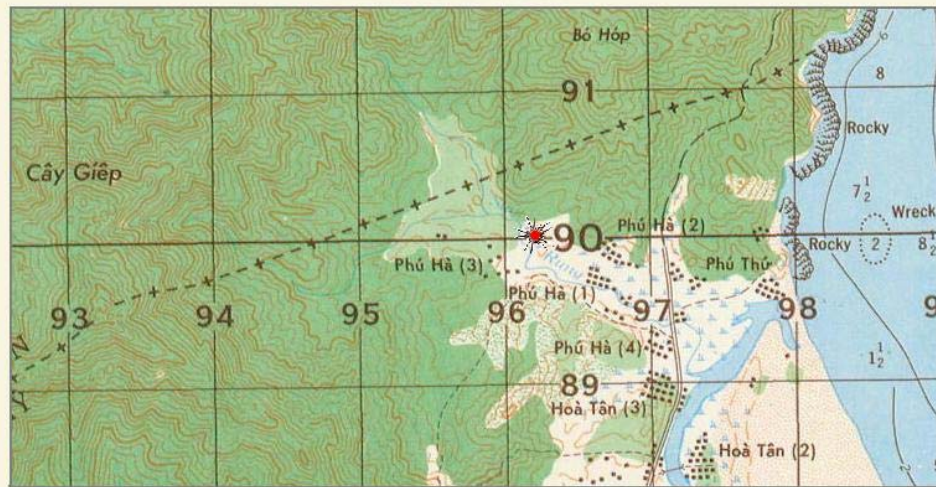
A map of the location of the incident is shown below:



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JAMES FREIDT KIA SITE MAP  
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James Freidt's family provided us with the photo of him on page one of this memorial and also sent a copy of a card from the funeral service held for him in Grand Forks, North Dakota, on October 20<sup>th</sup>, 1967.

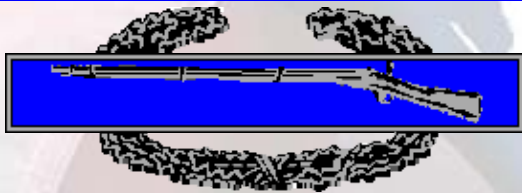
*In Memory Of*  
PFC. JAMES G. FREIDT, U.S.A.  
Born  
May 5, 1947  
Killed in Action  
Republic of Vietnam  
October 11, 1967  
*Services Held*  
St. Michael's Church  
Grand Forks, North Dakota  
Friday, October 20, 1967  
*Interment*  
Union Cemetery  
Mandan, North Dakota

*He who believes in Me, even if he die, shall live; and whoever lives and believes in Me, shall never die.*  
—Gospel of St. John

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Combat Infantry Badge

			
Purple Heart	National Defense	Vietnam Service	Vietnam Campaign