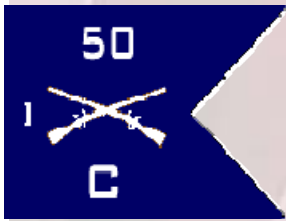




**173RD AIRBORNE
BRIGADE**



**1ST BATTALION
50TH INFANTRY**



"B" COMPANY



CORPORAL



INFANTRYMAN

JERRY LEE GRAVES

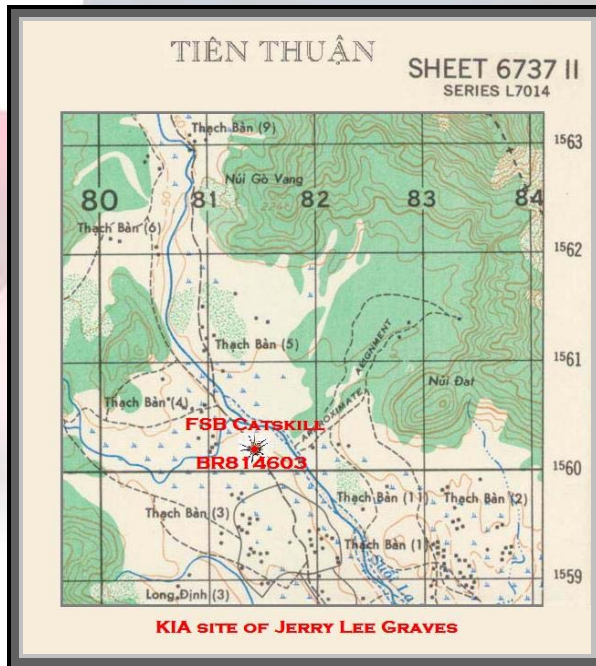
"C" Company, 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 50th Infantry
Private First Class, E3, Posthumous Promotion to CPL, US56590302, MOS 11B10
Home of Record: Mexico, MO

Date of Birth: November 19, 1946, Age at time of loss: 21, Married
173rd Airborne Brigade (Separate), Binh Dinh Province, Republic of Vietnam
Start of Tour: May 22, 1968, Date of Casualty: July 28, 1968, Days in Country: 67
Casualty Type A1, ARM, Panel 50W - Row 024

Jerry Graves was killed when Charlie Company received 6 to 8 incoming mortar rounds while in a night position at Fire Support Base "Catskill" in the Soui Ca River valley. Graves was killed and 3 others were wounded in the attack.

Documentation shows Graves was awarded the Bronze Star (Posthumously).

A map of the location is shown below:



Below: Jerry Graves (Right) and George Myers at LZ Uplift...late Spring, 1968

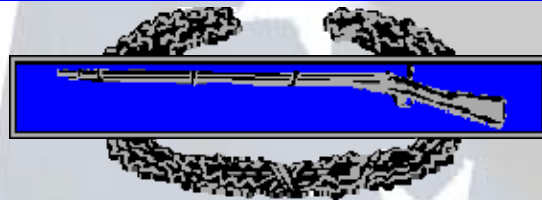


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**Jerry Graves is buried at Elmwood Cemetery, West Liberty Street, Mexico, Audrain County, Missouri
(Photo Below)**



AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:



Combat Infantry Badge



HQ 173RD AIRBORNE BRIGADE (SEPARATE)

CORPORAL JERRY GRAVES DISTINGUISHED HIMSELF BY OUTSTANDING MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN CONNECTION WITH GROUND OPERATIONS AGAINST A HOSTILE FORCE IN THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM DURING THE PERIOD FROM MAY 1968 TO JULY 1968. THROUGH HIS UNTIRING EFFORTS AND PROFESSIONAL ABILITY, HE CONSISTENTLY OBTAINED OUTSTANDING RESULTS. HE WAS QUICK TO GRASP THE IMPLICATIONS OF NEW PROBLEMS WITH WHICH HE WAS FACED AS A RESULT OF THE EVER-CHANGING SITUATIONS INHERENT IN THE COUNTERINSURGENCY OPERATION AND TO FIND WAYS AND MEANS TO SOLVE THOSE PROBLEMS. THE ENERGETIC APPLICATION OF THIS EXTENSIVE KNOWLEDGE HAS MATERIALLY CONTRIBUTED TO THE EFFORTS OF THE UNITED STATES MISSION TO THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM TO ASSIST THAT COUNTRY IN RIDDING ITSELF OF THE COMMUNIST THREAT TO ITS FREEDOM. CORPORAL GRAVES' INITIATIVE, ZEAL, SOUND JUDGMENT AND DEVOTION TO DUTY WERE IN THE HIGHEST TRADITION OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY AND REFLECTED GREAT CREDIT ON HIM AND ON THE MILITARY SERVICE.

