39TH INFANTRY SCOUT DOG PLATOON



173RD AIRBORNE BRIGADE

WORKING WITH
"THE ROCK"



1ST BATTALION
(AIRBORNE)
503RD INFANTRY

JAMES ALLEN JOHNSON

39th Scout Dog Platoon

Working with 2nd Platoon,"B" Company, 1st Battalion (Airborne), 503rd Infantry OPCON to the 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 50th Infantry Private First Class, E3, Posthumous Promotion to CPL, US247829613, MOS 11F20

Home of Record: Jersey City, NJ

Date of Birth: March 27, 1946, Age at time of loss: 23, Married 173rd Airborne Brigade (Separate), Binh Dinh Province, Republic of Vietnam Start of Tour: April 4, 1969, Date of Casualty: July 1, 1969, Days in Country: 88 Casualty Type A1, OED, Panel 21W - Row 042

James Johnson was killed along with his Scout Dog, "Kelly" when they tripped a booby-trapped M-26 hand grenade while working with "B" Company, 2nd Platoon, 1st Battalion (Airborne), 503rd Infantry, under the Operational Control of the 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 50th Infantry at the time, (See Map Below).

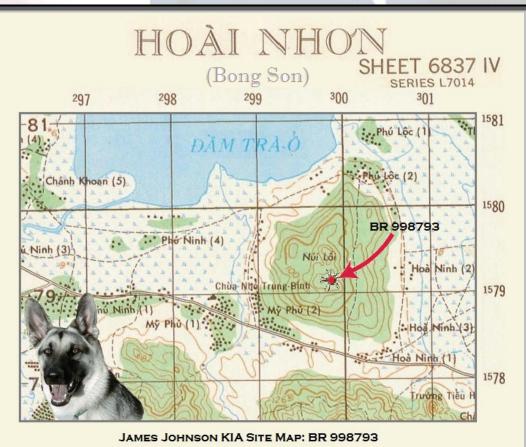
Johnson's name is inscribed on our 50th Infantry Vietnam Memorial in front of Battalion Headquarters, Sand Hill, Fort Benning, Georgia.











James Johnson is buried at the Ebenezer Baptist Church Cemetery, 5032 Fellowship Road, Williston, Barnwell County, South Carolina.



JAMES JOHNSON'S AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

