



**US ARMY
ENGINEER
COMMAND
VIETNAM**



**35TH
ENGINEER
GROUP**



**HHC
864TH
ENGINEER
BATTALION**



**SPECIALIST 4TH
CLASS**



MEDIC

ROBERT F. MARTHALER

HHC, 864TH ENG BN, 35TH ENG GROUP, 18TH ENG BDE

Specialist 4th Class, E4, RA474589941, MOS 91B20

Home of Record: Sauk Center, MN

Date of Birth: August 13, 1949, Age at time of loss: 20, Single

USARV Engineer Command, Binh Thuan Province, Republic of Vietnam

Start of Tour: January 6, 1970, Date of Casualty: May 22, 1970, Days in Country: 136

Casualty Type A1, OED, Panel 10W - Row 081

We have determined that Robert Marthaler was not a member of the 1st Battalion (M), 50th Infantry.

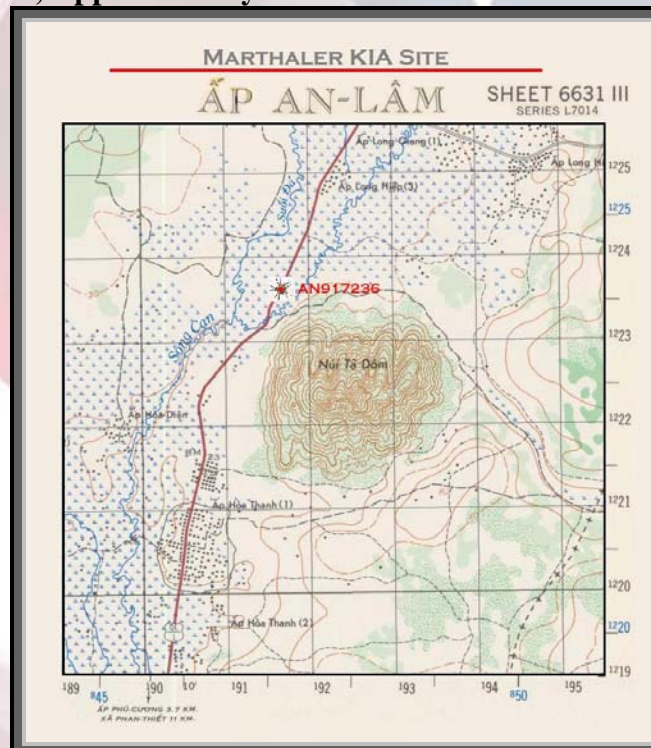
We currently do not have access to the information that reported him as one of our KIAs, but it was indicated in a note on our original "In Memoriam" pages that someone within our Association identified him as such.

Specialist Marthaler's name is inscribed on our 50th Infantry Vietnam Memorial in front of Battalion Headquarters, Fort Benning, Georgia. Our Association has voted unanimously that his name should remain on our memorial.

We obtained the First Field Force Vietnam Daily Staff Journal Spot Report for the event where Marthaler was killed. It reads:

"Two civilian and four U.S. Personnel, while working at culvert site on QL (Highway) 1, struck a mine with a shovel and detonated it. Worksite had been cleared by individuals prior to entering area. Casualties were 4 KIA (3 U.S. and 1 VN Civilian) and 2 WIA (1 U.S. and 1 VN Civilian). Coordinates of incident: AN917236"

A map of the location, Approximately 17 Kilometers NE of Phan Thiet, is shown below:



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Currently, no photo exists for this man.

If you can supply us with a photo, we would be grateful...and see that it gets distributed to the appropriate Internet memorial web pages.

Contact Jim Sheppard:
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AWARDS AND DECORATIONS OF ROBERT MARTHALER:



Combat Medical Badge



Purple Heart



National Defense



Vietnam Service



Vietnam Campaign