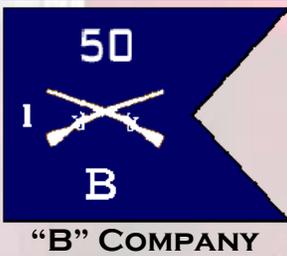




**1ST CAVALRY
DIVISION
(AIRMOBILE)**



**1ST BATTALION
50TH INFANTRY**



"B" COMPANY



**PRIVATE
1ST CLASS**



INFANTRYMAN

JAMES RAE SABOURIN

**"B" Company, 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 50th Infantry
Private First Class, E3, US 54 959 073, MOS 11B10
Home of Record: Detroit, MI**

**Date of Birth: March 28, 1947, Age at time of loss: 20, Single
1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile), Binh Dinh Province, Republic of Vietnam
Start of Tour: September 1, 1967, Date of Casualty: November 3, 1967
Date of Death: January 19, 1969, Days in Country: 63
Casualty Type: Ground Casualty MFW, Panel 29E - Row 034**

Jim Sabourin was one of the Battalion's first men wounded when he took shrapnel from a mortar round which resulted in wounds to the head, chest and all extremities. Upon Med-Evac to a Hospital, his right leg had to be amputated. He was subsequently sent back to the States to recuperate and was discharged, 100% disabled. He continued to struggle with his health and eventually died of his wound in January of 1969.

The wounds may possibly have been caused by an outgoing mortar "Short round" ...since there is no mention of a hostile casualty in the Intelligence Summary for November 3, 1967.

A Purple Heart was issued and revoked by the 1st Cavalry Division as the award had already been issued by the hospital (Orders and citation on file). Company B was operating in the vicinity of Phu Thu on the South China Sea coast Southeast of Cay Giép Mountain and Northeast of Lake Dam Tra O. (Map Below)

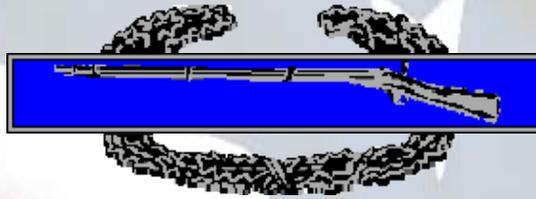


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Jim Sabourin is buried at Holy Sepulchre Catholic Cemetery 25800 W 10 Mile Rd. Southfield, Oakland County, MI 48033



JAMES SABOURIN'S AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:



Combat Infantry Badge

