Danny Lance Barron
"A" Company, 1st Platoon, 4th Squad, 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 50th Infantry
Private First Class, E3, Posthumous Promotion to CPL, US423584350, MOS 11B10
Home of Record: Carbon Hill, AL
Date of Birth: July 21, 1945, Age at time of loss: 24, Married
173rd Airborne Brigade (Separate), Binh Dinh Province, Republic of Vietnam
Start of Tour: January 12, 1969, Date of Casualty: August 5, 1969, Days in Country: 205
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Danny Barron was killed by a booby-trapped M-26 Grenade near the Dam Tra O (Lake) in coastal Binh Dinh Province. Danny was the Armored Personnel Carrier (APC) driver for the 4th squad & was a quiet but stabilizing force in the Platoon.

Another former 1st Platoon man, John Smerdon, recalls: “Danny was a little older than the rest of us. He was a soft-spoken, humble man with an easy smile. We all depended on him for a lot of things. When the going got tough...his quiet resolve instilled confidence in all of us”.

In the photo below (left) Danny Barron on his squad’s Armored Personnel Carrier. Danny is the man sitting in the rear (right). Below (right) is a map of the location where Danny was killed.

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Danny Barron is buried at Michigan Memorial Park Cemetery, 32163 Huron River Drive, Flat Rock, New Boston, MI. Below are photos (Left to right) showing the Huron River, which flows nearby, an aerial view of the Cemetery and a view of the front edifice of the location.

Reports of a grave for Danny at the Carbon Hill Memorial Cemetery, also known as the New Pizgah Cemetery, 3rd Street Northwest, Carbon Hill, Walker County, Alabama...stem from the fact that Danny’s mother, upset over him not being brought back to Alabama for burial, placed a grave marker with his name over an empty grave in the Carbon Hill Cemetery.

**Danny Barron’s Awards and Decorations:**

- Combat Infantry Badge
- Air Medal
- Purple Heart
- National Defense
- Vietnam Service
- Vietnam Campaign