

CHARLES RICHARD ANDERSON

Class 13-69

CHARLES RICHARD ANDERSON
is honored on Panel 4W, Row 18 of
the Vietnam Veterans Memorial

Full Name: CHARLES RICHARD
ANDERSON
Wall Name: CHARLES R ANDERSON
Date of Birth: 8/2/1946
Date of Casualty: 3/3/1971
Home of Record: NEWARK
County of Record: NEW CASTLE COUNTY
State: DE
Branch of Service: ARMY
Rank: 1LT
Casualty Country: LAOS
Casualty Province: LZ



1LT Anderson lost his life while serving as a UH-1H Helicopter pilot with Company B, 158th Aviation Battalion, 101st Airborne Division.

Missed - but not forgotten

Charlie...
Had a lot of laughs calling you that buddy . . .
I told you to keep your eyes open - and head down - dummy.
You're gone - but not really Charlie . . . we will all make the journey - you just left early.
Later . . .

Posted by: Matthew Jenkins
Relationship: We served together
June 10, 2003

From the wall-usa.com

Charles, I think of you, all the time. We probably should have been, on your last mission together. For some reason, I was assigned, to another ship and mission, that day and WO., C - was assigned, as your A/C.. I know, you flew with a dedicated, crew chief and gunner and your A/C., was among the best. When I looked over, at your rotor turning up, that day, on the flight line, I had, a very bad feeling-I almost walked over, to ask you, to be careful, but I didn't want, to spook you. They couldn't have asked, anyone, to be more brave, than to fly into Laos, during Lam Son, 719. You faced it, all and fought, to the end. Rest in peace and we will, never forget you. You're immortalized, in many ways, I just read, about you recently, in the book, titled, Rattler 17.

Charles Grabon
Fellow Pilot, B/158, Avn., Bn., 101st
Dec 9, 2009



Charles is buried at Arlington National Cemetery Section 47 Site 321



ANDERSON CHARLES RICHARD

Name: 1LT Charles Richard Anderson

Status: Killed In Action from an incident on 03/03/1971 while performing the duty of Pilot.

Age at death: 24.6

Date of Birth: 08/02/1946

Home City: Newark, DE

Service: FA branch of the reserve component of the U.S. Army.

Unit: B/158 AVN 101 ABN

Major organization: 101st Airborne Division

Flight class: 70-22/70-6

Service: FA branch of the U.S. Army.

The Wall location: 04W-018

Short Summary: Main rotor hit head at LZ Lolo. AC was CW2 Catzklla class 70-7.

Aircraft: UH-1H

Country: Laos

MOS: 1981 = 19 Rotary Wing Aviator (Unit Commander)

Primary cause: Hostile Fire

Major attributing cause: aircraft connected not at sea

Compliment cause: vehicular accident

Vehicle involved: helicopter

Position in vehicle: pilot

Vehicle ownership: government

Started Tour: 09/08/1970

"Official" listing: helicopter air casualty - pilot

The initial status of this person was: no previous report

Length of service: *

Military grid coordinates of event: XD431372

Reason: aircraft lost or crashed

Casualty type: Hostile - killed

married male U.S. citizen

Race: Caucasian

Religion: Roman Catholic

The following information secondary, but may help in explaining this incident.

Category of casualty as defined by the Army: battle dead Category of personnel: active duty Army Military class: officer

This record was last updated on 07/17/1994