

FREDERIC READ CHESEBROUGH**CLASS 12-66**

is honored on Panel 16E, Row 91 of
the Vietnam Veterans Memorial

Full Name: FREDERIC READ
CHESEBROUGH
Wall Name: FREDERIC R
CHESEBROUGH
Date of Birth: 11/25/1942
Date of Casualty: 3/16/1967
Home of Record: PROVIDENCE
State: RI
Branch of Service: ARMY
Rank: 2LT
Casualty Country: SOUTH VIETNAM
Casualty Province: LONG AN



2LT Chesebrough was assigned to Battery A, 2nd Battalion, 4th Artillery, 9th Infantry Division and was serving as a Forward Observer with an ARVN Infantry unit when he was killed in action. He was posthumously awarded the Silver Star for Gallantry in Action on that day.

From thewall-usa.com

A good artillery man

I was the advisor to the ARVN unit he was attached to on Mar 16, 1967. He called fire close to the friendly position to get us out of a pinned down position in a rice paddy. I only knew him for 24 hours but he was a soldier.

No Name provided

With the unit when he was KIA

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St Charles, MO 63301

May 21, 2001

Always Remember

I served in FDC. in the 2/4, Arty., 9th, Div., with Lt. Chesebrough. I was devastated to hear, that he was KIA and will always remember him, as an outstanding, soldier and person.

Larry Rossow

926, Beach Park Blvd., #9

Foster City, CA. 94404

September 3, 2004

A cruel month (March) 1967

Lt. 'Chese', it was a cruel month, a tough week and one very tragic day for 'A' Btry. in general and for you in particular...rest easy and in 'Peace', you are remembered.

Posted by: F.Thom

Relationship: Arty. support

October 22, 2005

OCS CLASSMATE

Chesebrough and I went through OCS together at Ft. Sill OK. He was a good man.

Posted by: Roger Wilhelm

Relationship: We served together

March 28, 2001



HEADQUARTERS 9TH INFANTRY DIVISION
APO San Francisco 96370

7 April 1967

GENERAL ORDERS
NUMBER 519

AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced posthumously.

CHESEBROUGH, FREDERIC R. 05420446 SECOND LIEUTENANT ARTILLERY, United States Army, Battery A, 2d Battalion, 4th Artillery, 9th Infantry Division, APO 96370

Awarded: Silver Star
Date action: 16 March 1967
Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For gallantry in action while engaged in military conflict with an armed hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam: Second Lieutenant Chesebrough distinguished himself while serving as an Artillery Observer attached to a Vietnamese force as it assaulted a Viet Cong controlled area near Ben Luc on 16 March 1967. Lieutenant Chesebrough was in the first boat of an amphibious assault. Upon reaching shore, his force met and was pinned down by a hail of automatic and small arms fire. Lieutenant Chesebrough, exposing himself to the enemy barrage, called in artillery with incredible accuracy. Due to his precise adjustment of the artillery, the first wave of troops was soon able to move 500 meters inland near a small village. As this advance party of American advisors and Vietnamese soldiers made its way across an open rice paddy, they encountered once again a torrid wall of enemy fire. The insurgent firepower pinned down the friendly force. Lieutenant Chesebrough fearlessly maneuvered to a dike in the rice paddy in order to better gauge the effects of the artillery. The artillery he called in raked the enemy repeatedly, decimating their ranks to the point that they could be overrun. It was during this final thrust that Lieutenant Chesebrough was killed. Second Lieutenant Chesebrough's personal bravery and professional competence were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army.

Authority: By direction of the President under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918, and USARV message 16695, 1 July 1966.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

OFFICIAL:

M. W. KENDALL
Colonel, GS
Chief of Staff

ROBERT J. TRAYLOR
LTC, AGC
Adjutant General

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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO ALL WHO SHALL SEE THESE PRESENTS, GREETING:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT
THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AUTHORIZED BY ACT OF CONGRESS JULY 9, 1918
HAS AWARDED

THE SILVER STAR

TO

SECOND LIEUTENANT FREDERIC R. CHESNBROUGH, 05420446, ARTILLERY, UNITED STATES ARMY

FOR
GALLANTRY IN ACTION

IN THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM ON 16 MARCH 1967

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND IN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON
THIS FOURTH DAY OF APRIL 1967

G. E. Merchant
G. E. MERCHANT
MAJOR GENERAL, USA
COMMANDING
9TH INFANTRY DIVISION



Stanley R. Rear
STANLEY R. REAR
SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

