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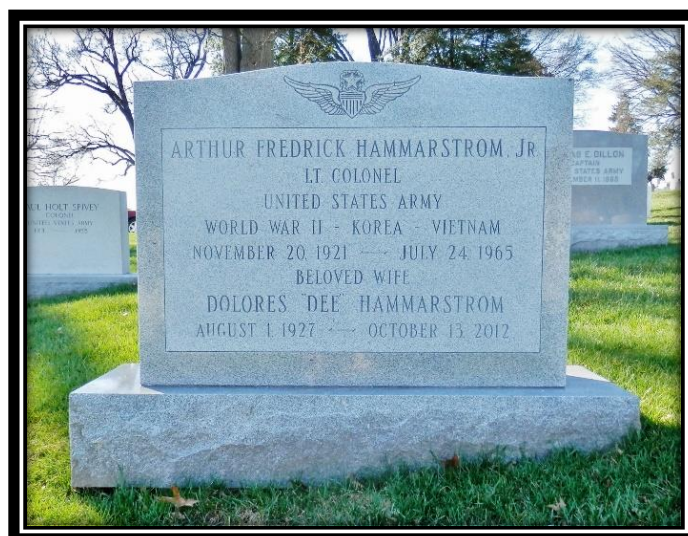
Full Name: ARTHUR FREDRICK
HAMMARSTROM, JR
Wall Name: ARTHUR F HAMMARSTROM JR
Date of Birth: 11/20/1921
Date of Casualty: 07/24/1965
Home of Record: DETROIT
State: MI
Branch of Service: ARMY
Rank: LTC
Casualty Country: SOUTH VIETNAM



LTC Hammarstrom died on July 24, 1965 near Saigon from a heart attack. He was serving as a fixed wing aviation unit commander, assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, MACV (Military Assistance Command Vietnam) Advisors. His tour in Vietnam began on December 15, 1964.

He was a Master Aviator and saw active duty during World War II and the Korean War. He is the only graduate of the Artillery Officer Candidate School to die in Vietnam after serving in both WWII and Korea. He flew as an aerial observer and was shot down in Germany in World War II and flew helicopters in the Korean War. He was the sixth Artillery OCS graduate to die in Vietnam.

LTC Hammarstrom was due to retire in June 1966 after 25 years of service. Before volunteering for duty in Vietnam, he had served in Europe with the Military Aviation Advisory Group and at Third Army Headquarters in Atlanta, Georgia, and at Fort Bragg, Fort Riley and Fort Sill. During his career he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross with Oak leaf cluster, for heroism and extraordinary achievement.



LTC Hammarstrom is buried in Arlington National Cemetery