

BERNARD HODGES**Class 36A-67**

is honored on Panel 6W, Row 110 of
the Vietnam Veterans Memorial

Full Name: BERNARD HODGES
Wall Name: BERNARD HODGES
Date of Birth: 12/10/1945
Date of Casualty: 12/6/1970
Home of Record: PARKTON
County of Record: ROBESON COUNTY
State: NC
Branch of Service: ARMY
Rank: CAPT
Casualty Country: SOUTH VIETNAM
Casualty Province: KONTUM



CPT Hodges was serving with Advisory Team #41, Military Assistance Command Vietnam when he was killed in action.

Not forgotten.

CPT Hodges was my team leader, and I was with him when he was killed near the remote Montagnard village of Dak Wak. He was the leader of a MAT team that accomplished a great deal. He had the respect of his teammates, counterparts, and civilians in the village of Tri Dao, our last base camp. This past summer (2009) I had the opportunity to meet the family of CPT Hodges and visited his grave site. He has a large and wonderful family. He is resting in a private cemetery in a place of honor. His family is keeping his memory alive and passing it on to younger generations who will carry his memory forward. Deservedly, he is remembered and loved. It was an honor for me to have known him, served with him, and to be acquainted with his family.

Posted by: Steve Dratter
Relationship: friend and teammate
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From the Virtual Wall



I took this picture in Kontum District Headquarters about a month before their deaths.

Sergeant Walter V. Marcum is on the left; Captain Bernard Hodges is on the right. Sergeant Marcum was a weapons advisor on Hodges' Mobile Advisor Team.

Bernie Hodges was a new Mobile Advisory Team leader towards the end of my tour in-country. He was learning the ropes quickly and was intent on doing a good job of training and supporting South Vietnamese infantry units. His tenacity, leadership, and devotion to duty made a significant impact on the lives of the South Vietnamese officers and soldiers who worked with his team as well as on the Montagnards and Vietnamese living in the villages and hamlets in his area of operations. America lost an outstanding leader and brave soul on December 6, 1970.

Martin D. Goslar
1st Lieutenant, U.S. Army
Senior Advisor & Team Leader
MACV MAT 68, ADV 41
1970

Bernard is buried at Hodges Family Cemetery, Parkton, North Carolina

