# **GARY ALAN OHMAN**

**Class 4-69** 

is honored on Panel 19W, Row 108 of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial

Full Name: GARY ALAN OHMAN

Wall Name: GARY A OHMAN

Date of Birth: 11/14/1948
Date of Casualty: 8/24/1969

Home of Record: MINNEAPOLIS

County of Record: HENNEPIN COUNTY

State: MN

Branch of Service: ARMY Rank: 2LT

Casualty Country: SOUTH VIETNAM

**Casualty Province: BINH DINH** 



2LT Ohman was killed in action while serving as a Forward Observer from Battery A, 1st Battalion, 15th Artillery, I Field Force Vietnam. He was attached to Company A, 2nd Platoon, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion (Mechanized), 50<sup>th</sup> Infantry.

### **Viet Nam memorial**

Gary - I found you on the Wall this past Memorial weekend. I was in class 4-69 and remember you well. I wish you had been able to have grandchildren. All of your classmates liked you and we love you.

Posted by: Bill Smith

Relationship: OCS classmate

June 9, 2008

### I Remember You

I was there when you left to be part of the force. I will never forget you, my friend.

Posted by: Lawrence (Larry) J Keller Relationship: We served together

June 28, 2004

Gary is buried at Minneapolis, Minnesota.

## Indianheads of the 7th Bn, 15th FA

2LT Gary Ohman was a proud member of the Indianheads of the 7th Bn, 15th FA when he was killed. We fought in the Central Highlands of South Vietnam from the shores of the South China Sea to the border of Vietnam and Cambodia. He will be forever remembered by the 15th FA Regimental Association. For more info check the 15th FA website at (www.landscaper.net).

MSG (R) Dan Gillotti, Historian, 15th FA Regiment

# From the wall-usa.com

Gary was a school mate of mine, but he was a year ahead of me. I was stationed in Vietnam from February 1969 to February 1970 at Phu Cat Air Base, Vietnam, which is in the same province where Gary was killed. I heard about his demise at the time. In country for barely a month. What a tragedy. May God rest his soul.

Bruce Krosch School mate 11937 W. Driftwood Ct. Boise Idaho 83713 Mar 26, 2009

## We only lost 2

I was saddened to see your name on the wall

Ken Richardson Classmate OCS Class 4-69 Apr 4, 2008

#### GARY ALAN OHMAN

"A" Battery, 7<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 15<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Attached Forward Observer working with: "A" Company, 2<sup>nd</sup> Platoon, 1st Battalion (mechanized), 50th Infantry

2nd Lieutenant Gary Ohman was an attached Artillery Forward Observer working with the 2nd Platoon of "A" Company on August 24th, 1969.

The Platoon was set at pre-dawn for a sweep of an area near the village of An Hoa between the South China Sea and the Dam Trao (Lake) in coastal Binh Dinh Province. As the sweep began, a Viet Cong was captured possessing several US made M26 Hand Grenades. The enemy soldier was unusually tall...nearly 6 foot and heavy set. Very unusual and uncharacteristic of most of the local Viet Cong forces.

Shortly after the capture, 2LT Ohman tripped a booby-trapped grenade which exploded...killing him and wounding a second soldier. During the distraction of the explosion...the captured VC tried to escape and was killed as he refused to halt and continued to try and flee.

Later in the sweep...and just a few hundred meters to the south, near the village of An Quang on the shores of the Dam Ta O...several Hand Grenade Booby Traps were discovered and destroyed in place...and another VC, this time a female, suspected of being the wife of the killed VC, was captured and removed to the rear for questioning. A map of the location of the incident is shown below:

