

CLARENCE CECIL RATLIFF**CLASS 47-54**

is honored on Panel 54W, Row 39 of
the Vietnam Veterans Memorial

Full Name: CLARENCE CECIL RATLIFF
Wall Name: CLARENCE C RATLIFF
Date of Birth: 12/30/1925
Date of Casualty: 7/2/1968
Home of Record: RALEIGH
State: NC
Branch of Service: ARMY
Rank: MAJ
Casualty Country: SOUTH VIETNAM
Casualty Province: KIEN TUONG



Major Ratliff was a Special Forces Officer serving as the Deputy Commanding Officer of Command and Control North (FOB 1) and was lost in the crash of an OH-6 helicopter.

I've thought of you often old buddy.



Clarence and I served together, meeting first at Artillery OCS, Ft Sill, OK in August 1953. Later, from 1954 until late 1956 we served in the 82nd Airborne Div together. I went to Vietnam with the 1st Cavalry Div and later Advisory Team 89 in Phuoc Tuy Province. I had returned when I found out about Clarence's loss and for one reason or another have not forgotten his service or his loss over the years. He always impressed me in my early years. Rest easy old friend.

Posted by: James Phillips
Relationship: We served together
May 22, 2008

He is buried in Raleigh National Cemetery, Raleigh, NC – Plot 25 28283