

DEAN FRANCIS SPAULDING JR**Class 44A-67**

is honored on Panel 36W, Row 28 of
the Vietnam Veterans Memorial

Full Name: DEAN FRANCIS SPAULDING JR
Wall Name: DEAN F SPAULDING JR
Date of Birth: 12/19/1946
Date of Casualty: 12/15/1968
Date of Death: 12/15/1968
Home of Record: MANCHESTER
County of Record: WASHTENAW COUNTY
State: MI
Branch of Service: ARMY
Rank: 1LT
Casualty Country: SOUTH VIETNAM
Casualty Province: HUA NGHIA



1LT Spaulding was serving with Battery B, 2nd Battalion, 40th Artillery, 199th Light Infantry Brigade at the time of his death.

To my fellow OCS Platoon mate

Dean was an outstanding young man and fellow platoon member. Always with a smile and quick comment, he gained the respect of everyone as being a no nonsense but very common sense leader. I cherish the time we had together as candidates and often think of what he would be today if he had lived through the war. Rest in peace my friend.

Posted by: Mike Fitzgerald
Relationship: We served together
October 12, 2010

From the VVA Chapter 310 Memorial Site

First Lieutenant Dean Francis Spaulding, Jr. was born on December 19, 1946 in Ypsilanti, Michigan to Mr. Dean F. Spaulding of Marquette, Michigan and Mrs. Estella Woodard of Clearwater, Michigan. Dean is a 1965 graduate of Manchester High School. He earned a scholarship to Rhode Island University in Kingston, Rhode Island. He entered the Army in January of 1967 and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant, and attaining First Lieutenant in November of 1968. First Lieutenant Spaulding began his tour in Hau Nghia Province, South Vietnam on October 21, 1968 serving as a Field Artillery Unit Commander with B Battery, 2nd Battalion, 40th Artillery, 199th Infantry Brigade. Dean was killed on December 15, 1968 as a result of an explosive device. Dean Francis Spaulding, Jr. is survived by his parents, two brothers and a sister. He lived 21 years, 11 months and 26 days.

From the wall-usa.com

Fallen Warrior

Dean and I were in the same platoon in OCS at the Field Artillery School in June - November 1967. I remember him as a very "strack" officer candidate who would go to great lengths to assist fellow candidates. We shared many fine memories during our twenty-three weeks together and I was deeply saddened to read of his death just prior to my graduating from my helicopter course of instruction in December of 1968. To his family members I know time heals wounds. I grieve for all friends who failed to come home alive and Dean was one of those special people I will never forget.

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**Dean is buried at Largo City Cemetery, Largo Pinellas County Florida
Plot: Block 138, Lot 6**