

## GEORGE BURTON COLGAN III

Class 33B-67

**GEORGE BURTON COLGAN III**  
is honored on Panel 15W, Row 12 of  
the Vietnam Veterans Memorial

**Full Name:** GEORGE BURTON COLGAN III  
**Wall Name:** GEORGE B COLGAN III  
**Date of Birth:** 8/2/1946  
**Date of Casualty:** 12/1/1969  
**Date of Death:** 12/1/1969  
**Home of Record:** ALEXANDRIA  
**County of Record:** CITY OF ALEXANDRIA  
**State:** VA  
**Branch of Service:** ARMY  
**Rank:** CAPT  
**Casualty Country:** SOUTH VIETNAM  
**Casualty Province:** QUANG DUC



CPT Colgan was S-4 for Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 2nd Battalion, 17th Artillery. He died at Bu Prang while assisting in the evacuation of wounded from the base. The camp had come under rocket and mortar attack and CPT Colgan was assisting in the transporting of a wounded soldier on a litter when he was struck by mortar fire.

### OCS Classmate and roommate

George was a fellow Officer with me as members of C Battery 4/73 Arty, Ft. Bragg NC. I'm sorry we lost you Buddy. You will be remembered.

Posted by: Donald Blankin  
February 2, 2007

### A friend remembers

George was the first friend I made in RVN. A week hasn't passed in 40 yrs that I haven't thought of him and his family.

Posted by: Walt Etringer, ILT, A Btry 2/17 FA  
Relationship: We served together  
January 24, 2010

## Captain Colgan 2/17th FA

George Colgan was S-4 for Headquarters 2/17th FA and died at Bu Prang while assisting in the evacuation of wounded from the base. The camp had come under rocket and mortar attack and Capt Colgan was assisting in the transporting a wounded soldier on a litter and struck by mortar fire. His memory will be honored by the soldiers of the 17th Artillery.

Posted by: Jack Picciolo  
April 24, 2003

### *From the wall-usa.com*

#### **Always ready for ' 2/4 fire mission' over!**

At LZ Schuller I'll always remember you flipping quarters with such a cool look. When I heard you were hit with an incoming mortar round I was in Pleiku and could not believe it. I took your place at Bu Prang and hope I did some good. Some of my old movies have you in them. If your family would like them I'd be happy to get them. Gerry Irwin  
Captain USA 2/17th Artillery B Battery

Gerry Irwin  
Served in 2/17th B Battery as FO  
1130 Cypress Run Dr Stockton CA 95209  
Oct 13, 2010

#### **Thank You, Hero**

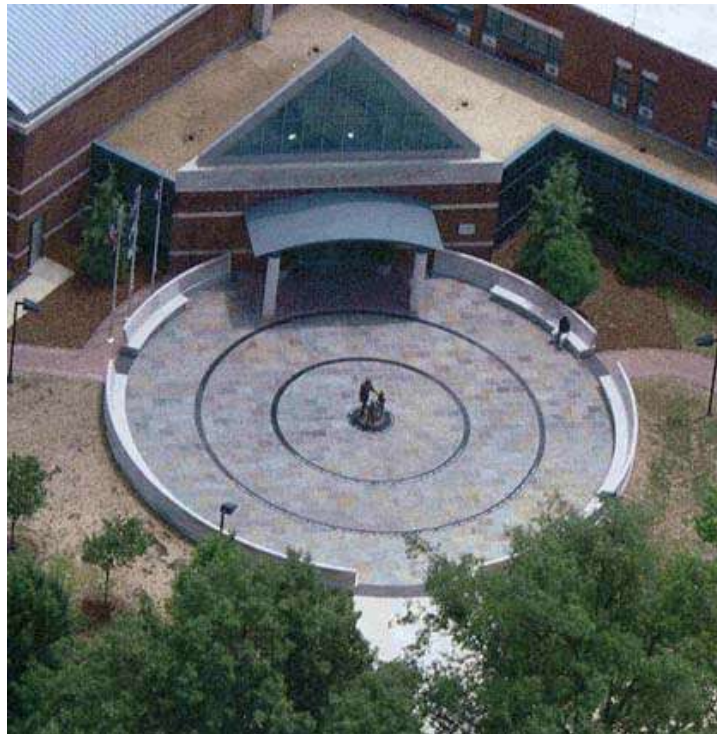
George: You were, a hero and patriot and will, always be remembered by me, for participating in my OCS., graduation, while between Nam tours. The counsel and guidance you provided, this green, gold bar, Lt., at the time were invaluable, as were the cold beers! God bless you, brother, your spirit remains, alive and with me.

Thomas Creato  
Fellow Officer  
718, Marguerite Ave., Corona Del Mar, CA., 92625, USA  
May 17, 2008

## Alexandria, VA Memorial

Alexandria, VA is dedicating a Vietnam Memorial scheduled for completion in the next 15 months. The site will be called the Captain Rocky Versace Plaza and Vietnam Veterans Memorial. The plaza will contain a sculpture of Captain Versace, a former resident of Alexandria, and a Vietnam Memorial with the 61 names of the Alexandrians who sacrificed their lives during service in the Vietnam War. The Friends of Rocky Versace, a group dedicated to this project, is working closely with the city to ensure that the best effort is made to honor these veterans for their ultimate sacrifice. A historical database will be maintained at the plaza with biographical information concerning the veterans from Alexandria and their military service. This information will reside on the computer systems at the plaza and will be maintained for accuracy. For this reason, the Friends of Rocky Versace would appreciate any information you can provide to include in the historical record. Contact: Tony Heisley at [laheisley@home.com](mailto:laheisley@home.com) or telephone: 703-683-6964 or mail: Friends of Rocky Versace, P. O. Box 3441, Alexandria, VA 22302 or check our web site at: <http://www.friendsrockyversace.homestead.com/> .

Posted by: Tony Heisley  
Relationship: Fellow Resident  
Tuesday, April 11, 2000



CPT George B. Colgan III, U.S. Army, is one of the 67 men from Alexandria, Virginia remembered with his name chiseled into stone beneath a Gold Star at the Captain Rocky Versace Plaza and Vietnam Veterans' Memorial. Dedicated on 6 July 2002.



George is buried at Arlington National Cemetery Sec 46 Site 981-7