

CHARLES PERRY HOOD JR

CLASS 1-66

is honored on Panel 15W, Row 50 of
the Vietnam Veterans Memorial

Full Name: CHARLES PERRY HOOD JR
Wall Name: CHARLES P HOOD JR
Date of Birth: 9/24/1942
Date of Casualty: 12/12/1969
Date of Death: 12/12/1969
Home of Record: ALEDO
State: TX
Branch of Service: ARMY
Rank: CAPT
Casualty Country: SOUTH VIETNAM
Casualty Province: PHUOC LONG



CPT Hood was a Scout Pilot, flying an OH-6A Helicopter that was shot down by .50 caliber machine gun fire. He was on his second tour of duty in Vietnam and was serving with C Troop, 1st Squadron, 9th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division at the time of his death.

From thewall-usa.com

Chris Miller was the Observer (left front seat) in the helicopter when CPT Hood was killed. Miller managed to control the helicopter to a safe landing, despite losing his own leg by the bullet that took Perry's life, while also saving the life of their doorgunner, Larry Krause. Mr. Miller would like to contact family members of CPT Hood, to tell them what happened that day.

Walker Jones
Fellow pilot in the unit, historian
16 rue de la Draille des Boeufs Sussargues 34160 France
C Troop, 1st Squadron, 9th Cavalry Regiment
May 6, 2007

**He is buried at the Fort Bliss National Cemetery
Section 1 Site 1537**

From www.flyarmy.org

HOOD CHARLES PERRY JR

Status: Killed In Action from an incident on 12/12/1969 while performing the duty of Pilot.

Age at death: 27.2

Date of Birth: 09/24/1942

Home City: Aledo, TX

Service: FA branch of the reserve component of the U.S. Army.

Unit: C/1/9 CAV 1 CAV

Major organization: 1st Cavalry Division

Flight class: 69-22

Service: FA branch of the U.S. Army.

The Wall location: 15W-050

Short Summary: Hit with 50 cal. The observer managed to crash land the helicopter despite a nearly severed leg. The gunner was uninjured.

Aircraft: OH-6A tail number 67-16143

Country: South Vietnam

MOS: 1981 = 19 Rotary Wing Aviator (Unit Commander)

Primary cause: Hostile Fire

Major attributing cause: aircraft connected not at sea

Compliment cause: fire or burns

Vehicle involved: helicopter

Position in vehicle: pilot

Started Tour: 10/22/1969

"Official" listing: helicopter air casualty - pilot

Length of service: 04

Location: Phuoc Long Province III Corps.

Reason: aircraft lost or crashed

Casualty type: Hostile - killed

married male U.S. citizen

Race: Caucasian

Religion: unknown or not reported

The following information secondary, but may help in explaining this incident.

Category of casualty as defined by the Army: battle dead Category of personnel: active duty Army Military class: officer

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Helicopter OH-6A 67-16143

Information on U.S. Army helicopter OH-6A tail number 67-16143

The Army purchased this helicopter 0668

Total flight hours at this point: 00001530

Date: 12/12/1969

Incident number: 69121212.KIA

Unit: C/1/9 CAV

This was a Combat incident. This helicopter was LOSS TO INVENTORY

This was a Recon mission for Unarmed Recon

Unknown this helicopter was Unknown at UNK feet and UNK knots.

Cambodia

UTM grid coordinates: YU269181

Count of hits was not possible because the helicopter burned or exploded.

Small Arms/Automatic Weapons; Gun launched non-explosive ballistic projectiles less than 20 mm in size. (12.7MM)

Systems damaged were: PERSONNEL

Casualties = 01 DOI, 02 INJ . .

The helicopter Crashed. Aircraft Destroyed.

Both mission and flight capability were terminated.

Burned

Original source(s) and document(s) from which the incident was created or updated:

Defense Intelligence Agency Helicopter Loss database. Survivability/Vulnerability

Information Analysis Center Helicopter database. Also: OPERA, LNNF, JSIDR, OPREP,

CASRP (Operations Report. Lindenmuth New Format Data Base. Joint Services

Incident Damage Report. Casualty Report.)

Loss to Inventory

Crew Members:

P CPT HOOD CHARLES PERRY JR KIA

G KRAUSE LARRY

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