

**THOMAS ALLEN SCARBORO****Class 10-69**

is honored on Panel 12W, Row 108 of  
the Vietnam Veterans Memorial

**Full Name:** THOMAS ALLEN SCARBORO  
**Wall Name:** THOMAS A SCARBORO  
**Date of Birth:** 5/10/1947  
**Date of Casualty:** 4/8/1970  
**Home of Record:** ASHEVILLE  
**County of Record:** BUNCOMBE COUNTY  
**State:** NC  
**Branch of Service:** ARMY  
**Rank:** 1LT  
**Casualty Country:** SOUTH VIETNAM  
**Casualty Province:** BINH DINH

**Field Artillery OCS Class 10-69 Fort Sill Oklahoma**

Tom was my classmate in Field Artillery Officer Candidate School at Fort Sill. We spent a lot of time together and were best of friends. I have a lot of pictures from our time there and whenever I look at them it brings back the memories. After we graduated on May 27, 1969 we went our separate ways.

Tom arrived in Vietnam on September 28, 1969 and served with the 101st Airborne Division. I spent some time at Fort Bragg and arrived in Vietnam on November 11, 1969.

His death hit me very hard and I think about him often. He was the only graduate of Class 10-69 to make the ultimate sacrifice in Vietnam and I will always remember him.

314 graduates of Field Artillery OCS were lost during the Vietnam War. I have researched all of them and have posted a Remembrance for each of them on the Virtual Wall of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund. I have included a photo image for all of those that I could find. I left Tom's for last. He was the one that inspired me to do this. Rest in peace my friend.

Posted by: Randy Dunham  
Relationship: FA OCS Class 10-69  
January 7, 2010

## OCS Class 10/69

My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. So many thanks for your service to country. We were so young then. I remember you from our graduation class picture. I also remember what an outstanding individual you were among so many outstanding candidates. I'll always remember you...a comrade "redleg" & Vietnam veteran.

Posted by: Mike Gregoire  
Relationship: classmate OCS Class 10/69  
March 28, 2005

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

#### **I Love You More Today Than Yesterday**

My name is Linda and Tom was the love of my life, my soul mate and my best friend. We had known each other for most of our lives and had dated off and on for years but I only realized how very much I loved him in the summer of 1969. We were married on Sept. 20th and he shipped out on on Sept. 28th. Tom was a wonderful, kind and caring man. There is not a day goes by that I do not think of him and miss him. I can still remember, after all of these years, everything about him - his beautiful blond wavy hair, his long lashes and dark green eyes, his crooked pinky fingers and his awful handwriting. I always teased him about it by saying all lefties had poor penmanship. After 40 years I can still say that I love you more today than yesterday, but not as much as tomorrow. Rest in peace my warrior eagle.

Linda Scarboro-Revels  
Wife  
3320 Mintwood Drive Charlotte NC 28227  
Mar 15, 2010

Lt. Scarboro was a forward observer who was filling in for our Lt. Neff at the time of his death. I was his RTO. We were reconning a valley and our M-79 man, Augie (?) saw some movement. we dropped to the ground and the VC blew their ambush. Lt. Scarboro was the only casualty. Of the 1st 10 men in line, I was the only one not wounded. The LT was looking forward to seeing his wife in Hawaii on R & R, in fact she was already on her way, I beleive, when this happened. He was a good man and a good soldier. God Bless his family.

Richard Clanton  
comrade in arms  
2765 Linwood Rd.  
Gastonia, NC 28052 USA  
July 21, 2000

# CHRONOLOGY OF THE CURRAHEE COMMITMENT IN THE VIETNAM WAR 1970

(Revised 08/04/02)

## Thomas Scarboro

**April 8 Enemy Ambush Bravo Company.** 2<sup>nd</sup> Platoon, Bravo Company was ambushed with command detonated mine. Platoon leader, **2Lt. Thomas Allen Scarboro, 22, from Asheville, NC** was killed and six other Currahees wounded. The attached Scout Dog was also killed. 1<sup>st</sup> Platoon, Bravo Company was mortared with 15 rounds of enemy 82mm mortar fire. **SP4 Richard Torres Calderon, 20, from Silverbell, AZ** was killed and three others are wounded.

## WAR

In the early morning mist, when all the stars are gone,  
A lonely man sits waiting, watching for the dawn.

His eyes are filled with sorrow, his heart is filled with pain,  
His mind is filled with anguish for the things he cannot change.

He sees his comrade fall and die, he hears the cannons roar,  
He sees the awful cost that's paid when men must go to war.

But now he dreams of fonder things, of things that soon will be,  
Of family and of loved ones, of the wife he longs to see.

He dreams of days when war will end, and he can then go home,  
And be with those he loves the most, and never more to roam.

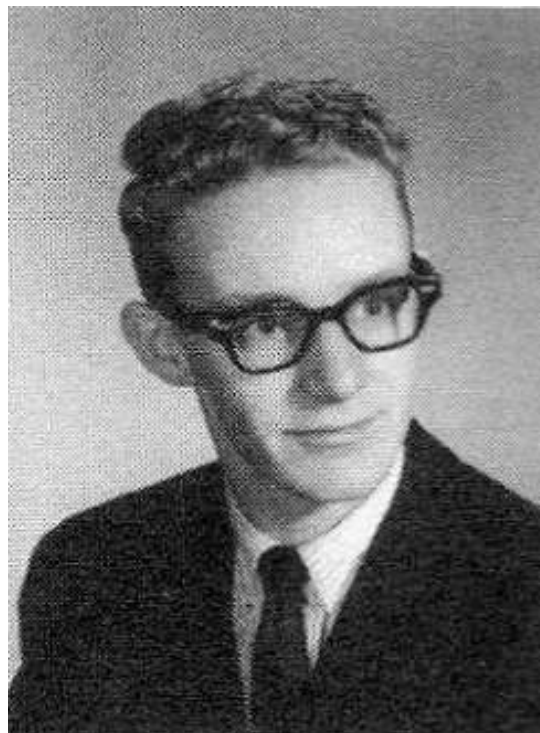
But still his mind is troubled, as he's waiting for the dawn,  
For he sees no peaceful end to war till all the hate is gone.

And so he stops and prays to God, his son will never be,  
A lonely soldier standing watch across a lonely sea.  
And as the morning mist now fades, and sunlight streaks the sky,  
A lonely soldier stands his watch, and tells his dreams goodbye.

1 LT Thomas Allen Scarboro



Tommy & Linda (Jr. high school)

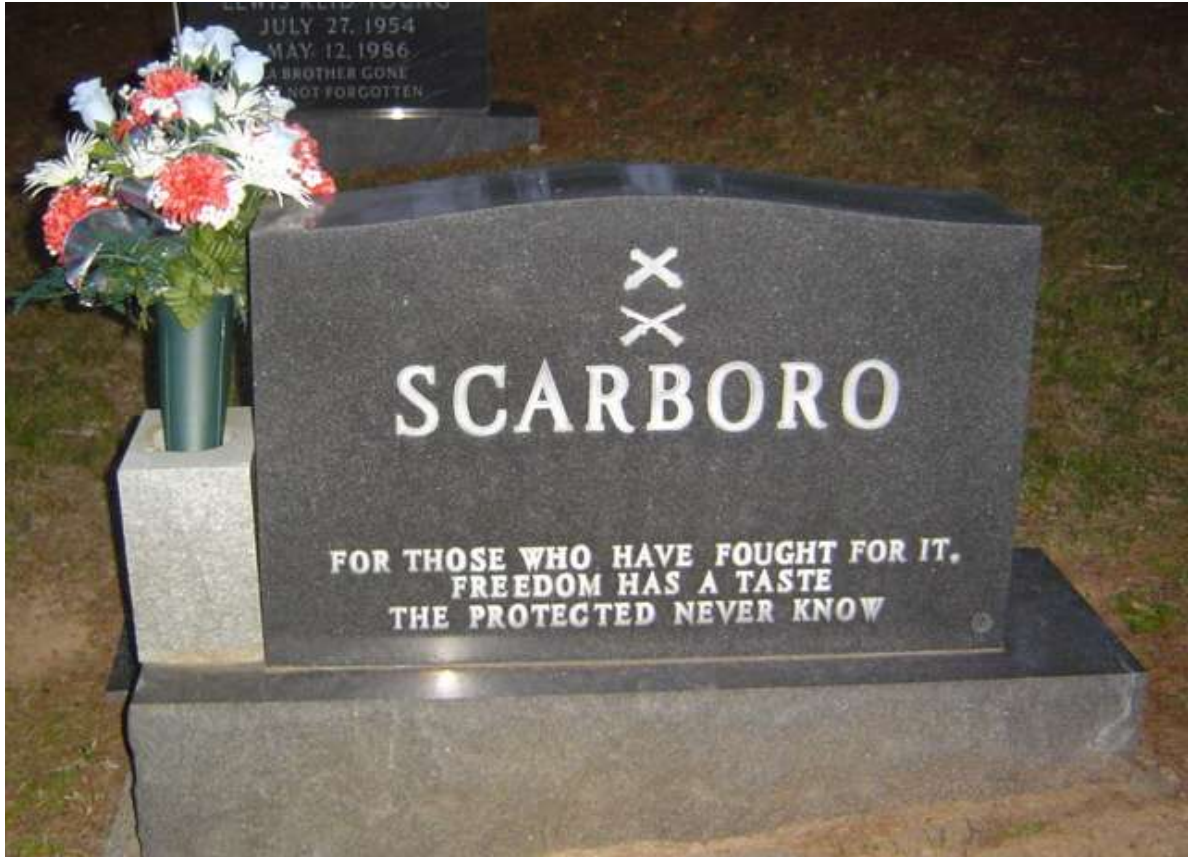


Lee Edwards High School Photo, Class of 1965



Tom and Randy Dunham at Fort Sill during March 1969. We were commissioned as Second Lieutenants on May 27, 1969.





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Section 7 Lot 341 Space 1