



Honoring Our Vietnam War and Vietnam Era Veterans



February 28, 1961 - May 7, 1975



Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: ZIMPFER

FRED

C.

Hometown: WEST SENECA

Address: 5303 SENECA STREET

Vietnam Era

Vietnam War Veteran

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: PFC

Year Entered:

Year Discharged: KIA

Unit / Squadron:

AERO RIFLE PLATOON, F TROOP, 8TH CAVALRY, AMERICAL DIV,
UNITED STATES ARMY REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM (USARV)

Medals / Citations:

PURPLE HEART

VIETNAM SERVICE MEDAL

REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM CAMPAIGN MEDAL

NATIONAL DEFENSE RIBBON

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** VIETNAM

Service Notes:

Private First Class Fred Charles Zimpfer was Killed in Action on 15 February 1970 during a battle in Quang Tin Province, South Vietnam

Private Zimpfer was an Infantryman whose tour of duty in South Vietnam started on 5 December 1969.

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Private First Class Fred C. Zimpfer was 26 years of age at the time of his death

The main mission of the Aero Rifle Platoon, a Recon element, was to perform ground reconnaissance of areas that the scout ships cannot check out by air / They were not a main fighting force and only about 32 soldiers are inserted at any one time, although they could handle a small numbers of Viet Cong / Anything of a larger size would have to be dealt with by a regular infantry company which would be brought in by an Assault Helicopter Company / Another function of the Aero Rifle Platoon was to secure any of downed aircraft until it could be extracted