



Honoring Our Vietnam War and Vietnam Era Veterans



February 28, 1961 - May 7, 1975



Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: VILLANI

KURT

M.

Hometown: GRAND ISLAND

Address:

Vietnam Era

Vietnam War Veteran

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank:

Year Entered: 1969

Year Discharged:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

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

Service Notes:

Kurt M. Villani joined the Army National Guard in December 1969

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Kurt Villani was a graduate of LaSalle High School / Villani operated Gui's Lumber-Ace Hardware since the mid-eighties, expanding to seven locations in Western new York / Kurt M. Villani passed away on 6 August 2022 at the age of 72 years old



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Name: **VOLLMER, JR.**

FRANCIS X.

Hometown: AMHERST

Address:

Vietnam Era

Vietnam War Veteran

Service Branch: AIR FORCE

Rank:

Year Entered: 1964

Year Discharged: 1968

Unit / Squadron:

6924TH SECURITY SQUADRON

Medals / Citations:

VIETNAM SERVICE MEDAL

REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM CAMPAIGN MEDAL

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE RIBBON

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

Service Notes:

Francis X. Vollmer, Jr. was stationed in Italy and volunteered for a duty assignment in Da Nang, Vietnam as an Intelligence Specialist / Vollmer and his unit came under fire during the Tet Offensive in 1968

Base Assignments:

Da Nang Air Base, Republic of Vietnam - Da Nang Air Base was a French Air Force and later Republic of Vietnam Air Force (RVNAF) facility located in the city of Da Nang, Vietnam / During the Vietnam War (1959–1975), it was a major base with United States Army, United States Air Force (USAF), and United States Marine Corps (USMC) units stationed there / Air Vietnam also used the facility from 1951 to 1975 for civilian domestic and international flights within Southeast Asia / When American forces left Vietnam in March 1973, the Air Base was turned over to the South Vietnamese government / The People's Army of Vietnam (PAVN) captured Da Nang AB from the South Vietnamese on 29 March 1975 / The PAVN captured 10,000 tons of air munitions worth \$18 million, various ground radar equipment and 176 aircraft, including an F-5E, 5 F-5As, 24 A-37s and 80 UH-1s

Miscellaneous:

Born in Buffalo, Francis X. Vollmer, Jr. Attended Cardinal Dougherty High School, later graduating from Kenmore West Senior High School / While attending high school, Vollmer was a member of the Civil Air Patrol / After graduation, Vollmer enlisted in the U.S. Air Force / After his Honorable Discharge, Vollmer went to work for the Buffalo News and enrolling at Millard Fillmore College / Vollmer retired from the Buffalo News in 2002 / Vollmer was a member of the Charles N. DeGlopper Memorial Post 9249 and served as President of the Western New York Chapter 77, Vietnam Veterans of America / Francis X. Vollmer, Jr. passed away on 20 March 2022 in Knoxville, Tennessee



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The 6924th Security Squadron - USAF Security Service, was located at DaNang AB from January 1962 Until April 1971 / The 6924th SS was subordinate to the 6922 Security Wing, Clark AB, PI, and the Pacific Security Region, USAFSS Hawaii / Its primary mission was Signal & Communications Intelligence / Its operations area and antenna field were located on the west side of the base in the middle of the USMC area / In April 1971 the 6924th SS relocated to Ramasun Station, Thailand.