

★ Remembrances On This Day ★

March 12

"All gave some. These gave all."

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KIAs — March 12



William Wheeler

First Lieutenant William Timothy Wheeler died from artillery, rocket, or mortar fire 12 March 1969 while serving with ADV Team 56, HQ, MACV ADVISORS, MACV, RVN. He had been in country 71 Days.



Louis Frericks

First Lieutenant Louis Wayne Frericks died from gun or small arms fire 12 March 1969 while serving with C Co, 1st Bn, 18th Infantry, 1st Infantry Division, RVN. For action on this date he was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross. He had been in country 112 Days.



Norman Saliman

Captain Norman Sheldon Saliman died from a non hostile accident from gasoline explosion 12 March 1969 while serving with D Co, 1st Bn, 503rd Infantry, 173rd Abn Bde, RVN. He had been in country 42 Days.



Dudley Davis

First Lieutenant Dudley Davis died from hostile fire 12 March 1970 while serving with D Co, 1st Bn, 503rd Infantry, 173rd Abn Bde, RVN. He had been in country 42 Days.

Valor Awards — March 12



Andrew Lepeilbet

◆ DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS ◆

First Lieutenant Andrew R LePeilbet was awarded the Distinguished Cross for actions on 12 March 1969 while serving with Company A, 1st Battalion, 8th Infantry, 4th Infantry Division, RVN. He is also the recipient of the Silver Star. He was inducted into the OCS Hall of Fame in 2022.



Louis Frericks

◆ DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS ◆

First Lieutenant Louis Wayne Frericks was posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for actions on 12 March 1969 while serving with C Co, 1st Bn, 18th Infantry, 1st Infantry Division, RVN. He was inducted into the OCS Hall of Fame in 2024.

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