

★ Remembrances On This Day ★

March 2

"All gave some. These gave all."

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KIAs — March 2



Carl Radtke

First Lieutenant Carl Leonard Radtke IN 9-67 died from artillery, rocket or mortar fire 2 March 1969 while serving with 191st AHC, 214th Avn Bn, 12th Avn Group, 1st Aviation Brigade, RVN. He had been in country 42 Days.



Richard Hostikka

Captain Richard August Hostikka IN 6-66 died from a non hostile vehicle loss or crash 2 March 1970 while serving with Det A-101 (MAI LOC), C Co, 5th Special Forces Group, RVN. He had been in country 232 Days.



Martin Keogh

Second Lieutenant Martin Jerome Keogh IN 21-69 died from multiple fragmentation wounds 2 March 1970 while serving with 3rd Plt, D Co, 4th Bn, 3rd Infantry, 11th Infantry Brigade, Americal Division, RVN. He had been in country 45 Days.

Valor Awards — March 2



George Marecek

◆ DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS ◆

Major George Marecek IN 1-60 was awarded the Distinguished Cross for actions on 2 March 1967 while serving with Detachment A-401, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), 1st Special Forces, RVN. He is also the recipient of the Silver Star. He was inducted into the OCS Hall of Fame in 1979.

John Birmingham

◆ DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS ◆

First Lieutenant John Birmingham EN 16-67 was awarded the Distinguished Cross for actions on 2 March 1969 while serving with 195th Aviation Company (Airmobile Light) 222d Combat Aviation battalion, 12th Combat Aviation Group, 1st Aviation Brigade, RVN. He was inducted into the OCS Hall of Fame in 2024.

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