

★ Remembrances On This Day ★

May 9

"All gave some. These gave all."

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KIAs — May 9



Michael Mitchell

First Lieutenant Michael Lang Mitchell FA 23-66 died from multiple fragmentation wounds 9 May 1968 while serving with B Btry, 7th Battalion, 11th Artillery, 25th Infantry Division, RVN. He had been in country 244 Days.



Durwood Verrett

First Lieutenant Durwood Wayne Verrett IN 37-67 died from gun or small arms fire 9 May 1968 while serving with D Co, 1st Bn, 20th Infantry, 11th Infantry Bigade, Americal Division, RVN. He had been in country 87 Days.



Frederick Casper

First Lieutenant Frederick Raymond Casper IN 31-68 died from burns 9 May 1968 while serving with 3rd Plt, C Co, 2nd Bn, 7th Infantry, 9th Infantry Division, RVN. He had been in country 124 Days.



Robert Jones

First Lieutenant Robert Nelson Jones IN 29-67 died from gun or small arms fire 9 May 1968 while serving with C Co, 1st Bn, 5th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division, RVN. He had been in country 124 Days.



John Grutsch

First Lieutenant John W Grutsch, Jr IN 35-67 died from artillery, rocket, or mortar fire 9 May 1968 while serving with C Co, 2nd Bn, 1st Infantry, 196th Infantry Brigade, Americal Division, RVN. He had been in country 89 Days.



Lawrence Strayer

First Lieutenant Lawrence Edward Strayer EN 503-67 died from gun or small arms fire 9 May 1969 while serving with D Co, 3rd Bn, 39th Infantry, 9th Infantry Division, RVN. He had been in country 192 Days.



Victor Morales

Major Victor David Morales FA 1-63 died from gun or small arms fire 9 May 1969 while serving with HHC, 3rd Bn, 8th Infantry, 4th Infantry Division, RVN. He had been in country 236 Days.



Bruce Dick

First Lieutenant Bruce David Dick IN 7-68 died from gun or small arms fire 9 May 1969 while serving with C Co, 1st Bn, 502nd Infantry, 101st Airborne Division, RVN. He had been in country 126 Days.



Guy Pratt

First Lieutenant Guy L Pratt, Jr IN 70-67 died from gun or small arms fire 9 May 1969 while serving with A Co, 1st Bn, 2nd Infantry, 1st Infantry Division, RVN. He had been in country 126 Days.



John Olsen

First Lieutenant John Andrew Olsen IN 501-68 died from gun or small arms fire 9 May 1969 while serving with B Co, 3rd Bn, 39th Infantry, 9th Infantry Division, RVN. He had been in country 30 Days.



Roy Richardson

First Lieutenant Roy Lee Richardson IN 9-69 died from gun or small arms fire 9 May 1970 while serving with A Co, 2nd Bn, 502nd Infantry, 1st Brigade, 101st Airborne Division, RVN. For action on this date he was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, He had been in country 113 Days.



Rhonald Durham

Captain Ronald Lee Durham IN 45-67 died from helicopter air loss 9 May 1970 while serving with Air Cav Trp, 11th Armored Cavalry, RVN. He had been in country 22 Days.

Valor Awards — May 9

James Godsey



Roy Richardson

◆ DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS ◆

First Lieutenant Roy L Richardson IN 9-69 was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for actions on 9 May 1970 while serving with A Co, 2nd Bn, 502nd Infantry, 1st Brigade, 101st Airborne Division, RVN. He was inducted into the OCS Hall of Fame in 2023.

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