

★ Remembrances On This Day ★

June 9

"All gave some. These gave all."

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DICs — June 9



Charles Dale

Major Charles Alva Dale IN 4-62 died from a non-hostile air loss incident 9 June 1964 (Declared dead 6 Dec 1978) while serving with 73rd Aviation Company, 765th Transportation Battalion, Army Aviation Group (Prov), US Army Support Command Vietnam, MACV, RVN. He had been in country 94 Days.



Joseph Oleson

First Lieutenant Joseph Oleson, Jr IN 11-66 died from gun or small arms fire 9 June 1968 while serving with D Co, 1st Bn, 18th Infantry, 1st Infantry Division, RVN. He had been in country 253 Days.



Richard McKenzie

Second Lieutenant Richard Douglas McKenzie IN 505-68 died from an other explosive device 9 June 1969 while serving with E Troup, 1st Cavalry, 1th Infantry Brigade, Americal Division, RVN. He had been in country 66 Days.



Ronald Matel

First Lieutenant Ronald James Matel IN 5-68 died from gun or small arms fire 9 June 1969 while serving with C Company, 4th Battalion, 23rd Infantry, 25th Infantry Division, RVN. He had been in country 298 Days.



Eddie Smith

First Lieutenant Eddie Lee Smith FA 3A-68 died from artillery, rocket or mortar fire 9 June 1969 while serving with D Co, 1st Bn, 503rd Infantry, 173rd Abn Bde, RVN. He had been in country 187 Days.



Waldemer Geiger

First Lieutenant Waldemer J Geiger IN 61-67 died from multiple fragmentation wounds 9 June 1969 while serving with A Company, 1st Battalion, 501st Infantry, 101st Airborne Division, RVN. He had been in country 248 Days.



Michael Dalton

First Lieutenant Michael Moran Dalton IN 4-70 died from an other explosive device 9 June 1971 while serving with D Company, 3rd Battalion, 187th Infantry, 101st Airborne Division, RVN. He had been in country 140 Days.



Ronald Doughtie

First Lieutenant Ronald Edward Doughtie IN 34-69 died from an air loss 9 June 1972 while serving with D Co, 1st Bn, 503rd Infantry, 173rd Abn Bde, RVN. He was the recipient of the Bronze Star (V). He had been in country 288 Days.

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Charles Williams

★ MEDAL OF HONOR ★

First Lieutenant Charles Q Williams IN 5-64 was awarded the Medal of Honor for actions on 9 June 1944 while serving with Detachment A, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), 1st Special Forces Group, RVN. He was inducted into the OCS Hall of Fame in 2022.



Benjamin Wilson

◆ DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS ◆

Master Sergeant Benjamin Franklin Wilson FA 56-43 was awarded the Distinguished Cross for actions on 9 June 1951 while serving with Company I, 3rd Battalion, 31st Infantry Regiment, 7th Infantry Division, Korea. He is also the recipient of the Medal of Honor. He was inducted into the OCS Hall of Fame in 2022.



Kenneth Collins

◆ DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS ◆

Second Lieutenant Kenneth G Collins IN 1-64 was awarded the Distinguished Cross for actions on 9 June 1966 while serving with Company A, 1st Battalion (Airborne) , 327th Infantry, 1st Brigade, 101st Airborne Division, RVN. He was inducted into the OCS Hall of Fame in 2024.

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