Eckenrode, David John (Dave), 2nd Platoon

9 May 1945 - 21 July 1968 Centre County Mem Park, PA



Second Lieutenant David John Eckenrode was born in Bellefonte, Pennsylvania. Service number 0102675. He enlisted in the Marine Corps and served during the Vietnam Conflict. He achieved rank of Second Lieutenant and served with 7th Engineer Battalion, B Company. Second Lieutenant Eckenrode was killed on July 21, 1968 in or around South Vietnam, Quang Nam province when he tripped a booby-trap made from a 105mm artillery shell. Second Lieutenant Eckenrode earned the following awards: National Defense Service Medal, Purple Heart, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Vietnam Service Medal.

Second Lieutenant Eckenrode is honored on the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial, VVM Wall, Panel 51w, Line 25.

USMC Resume:

The Basic School Class 1-68 Alpha Company, 2nd Platoon, Jun-Nov 1967 Vietnam: Company B, 7th Engineer Battalion Jan–July 1968

Personal Reflections about Dave Eckenrode: