



Who is David Olsen?



You may want to ask, who is David Olsen? David Olsen is a Vietnam veteran that served in the Army from 1968 to 1970. He attained the rank of sergeant. He served with the 3rd Squadron 4th Cavalry/A Troop, the 25th Infantry Division (Tropic Lighting) and the 5th Infantry Division. He did not serve with C/3/22 and is not a member of our association. David has contributed a wealth of information of our KIA's and MIA to the website called Together We Served (TWS). He has provided the link to that website through our Hero's pages, you can click on any photo and that person's profile page will come up. Of the 95 KIA's & MIA from C/3/22, David created and was the administrator for 89 of the profiles. All the metals, remembrances, service details, personnel details, unit assignments, crests, insignias you see on the pages, he put them there, as well as numerous photos. He has now transferred over all the profiles to me and I'm the only one who can add or delete any information. At one point, I controlled 94 of the 95 profiles. Unfortunately, (TWS) has transferred 2 of the profiles to (Family). It is more difficult to enter information but it can be done. Up to now David has created approx 1500 profiles for the (TWS) website. He not only created the ones for his unit but for our unit and other units too. Have you noticed that when you click on the photos of our KIA's, their profile page will come up and you will begin to hear music? David is the one who programmed that feature in. The music is (Hymn to the fallen performed by the 451st Army Band).

Up to now you might say: wow, that sure is a lot of information he has provided to the TWS website, but I'm not finished yet. While creating the profile pages, he has also located several of the burial sites and provided numerous photos of the headstones that you see. Just recently he sent me the photos of the headstones for Leo R. Mullen and Kevin A. Porter which I was able to enter. David also advised me to look up this website called: (The Coffelt Database of Vietnam Casualties). On this website I was able to locate 4 more burial sites that I have been looking for.

Oh, by the way, on some of the hero's pages, you can read newspaper clippings of combat death notices. There are a total of 34 profiles with clippings. Who provided these? Again compliments of David Olsen.

For those who are familiar with the website Find a Grave, you can look up and find all of our KIA's and MIA there. David has created most of them from our unit, a total of 53. He has also transferred them to me to keep maintained. You will know he created them because it will say (originally created by: David Olsen).

I'm sure most of you had no idea how much information David has contributed to the TWS and the Find a Grave websites. Because of this, I thought it would only be fitting to let every one know who he is and what he has done. He reminds me of a business that has a silent partner. Well we have one in David Olsen and we all thank him for his time, effort and dedication to all veterans.

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