

# ROBERT GERALD FANTE

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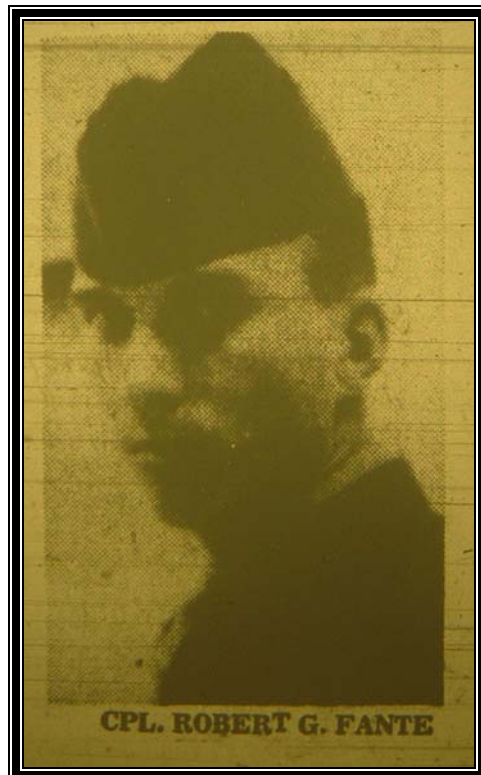
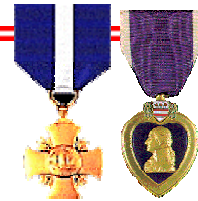
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CPL - E4 - Marine Corps - Regular  
20 year old Single, Caucasian, Male  
Born on Jul 23, 1948  
From ROSEVILLE, MICHIGAN  
Length of service 2 years.  
His tour of duty began on Feb 29, 1968  
Casualty was on Aug 06, 1968  
in QUANG NAM, SOUTH VIETNAM  
HOSTILE, GROUND CASUALTY  
GUN, SMALL ARMS FIRE  
Body was recovered  
Religion  
ROMAN CATHOLIC  
  
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Robert is buried at Resurrection Cemetery, Clinton Twp, MI



## Local Marine Dies in Action

ROSEVILLE – A Roseville Marine who volunteered to return to Vietnam this winter after recovering from previous wounds was killed near Quang Nam recently.

He was Cpl. Robert G. Fante, 20, son of Mrs. Elizabeth J. Fante, 25295 Buick.

Fante left Roseville High School to join the Marine Corps in 1966. Sent to Vietnam in August of that year, he received wounds from 10 pieces of shrapnel when a grenade exploded accidentally. He was hospitalized in Illinois for six months and last February volunteered to return to the war.

“He said the Marine Corps was the only civilized place in the world,” his mother remembers. “He was Marine Corps all the way.”

She said Fante only wrote short letters home, always sending his pay check. “He was very angry at the draft card burners. He said civilians didn’t know what’s going on over there,” she added.

Fante is survived by a brother, Michael, 22, who served in Germany for two years, a sister Nancy, 14, at home, and his grandmother, Mrs. Mildred Saia.

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