

# PAUL GREGORY OLENZUK



PFC - E3 - Army - Regular  
101st Airborne Division  
22 year old Married, Caucasian, Male  
Born on May 02, 1946  
From DETROIT, MICHIGAN  
His tour of duty began on Jul 19, 1968  
Casualty was on Aug 10, 1968  
in THUA THIEN, SOUTH VIETNAM  
HOSTILE, GROUND CASUALTY  
OTHER EXPLOSIVE DEVICE  
Body was recovered  
Religion  
ROMAN CATHOLIC

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Paul is buried at Mt. Olivet, Detroit, MI, next to his brother Kenneth



## Death Notice

### *OLENZUK*

PFC Paul G. In Vietnam, Aug 10, 1968. Beloved husband of Carolyn. Dear father of Jeffery. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Skarbeki, brother of Mrs. Elaine Klatt, Kalamazoo, Mich., Cheryl Ann, Marie Lynn and Steven John Skarbeki, grandson of Mrs. Anna Stankiewicz, Funeral Services at S.K. Schultz Funeral Home, 21705 Gratiot at 8 ½ Mile Rd., Fri. 10 a.m.

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## BROTHERS DIE IN VIETNAM

### Reunited in Death

**STERLING HEIGHTS** – Paul Olenzuk so loved his brother, Kenneth, that he patterned his life after him. And last Christmas Day, when news came of Kenneth's death in Vietnam, Paul wept and said he wished it could have been him.

On Friday, Paul – like Kenneth a victim of the Vietnam War – will be buried next to the brother he loved. Paul, 22, was killed Aug. 10, just two weeks after arriving in Vietnam. He had enlisted in the Army last September and left for Vietnam in Mid-July.

Kenneth, 20, at his death, enlisted in the U. S. Marines following his graduation from East Detroit High School. He was killed Christmas Day, 1967.

Paul's wife, Carolyn, and their two-year-old son, Jeffery, live with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Elliot, at 38144 Plainview Drive.

Paul is also survived by his mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Skarbek, three sisters, Mrs. Lawrence Klat, Cheryl Ann 12, Marie Lynn 5, and a brother, Steven 3, all of Detroit.

Early this year, Mrs. Skarbek asked that Paul be discharged in view of Kenneth's death but her plea was rejected, she said, because Paul had enlisted.

"In his last letter Paul asked me to say a prayer for him because he was scared." Said Mrs. Skarbek. "He said he was going into' a battle of hell."

"Paul had tried to pattern his life after his brother, whom he idolized," said Mrs. Skarbek.

The body will lie in state at the Schultz Funeral Home, 21705 Gratiot, East Detroit, with funeral services tentatively scheduled for Friday at St. Thomas Church in Detroit.

Burial will be in Mt. Olivet Cemetery...in the grave next to his brother, Kenneth.

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