

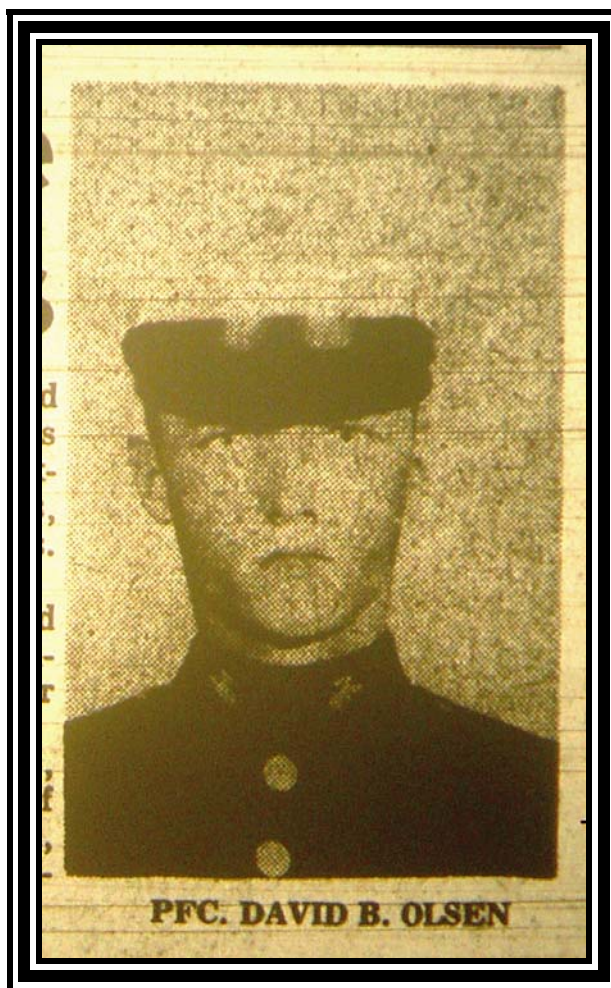
# DONALD BRYAN OLSEN

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PFC - E2 - Marine Corps - Regular  
18 year old Single, Caucasian, Male  
Born on Mar 02, 1949  
From WARREN, MICHIGAN  
His tour of duty began on Dec 05, 1967  
Casualty was on Feb 12, 1968  
in QUANG NAM, SOUTH VIETNAM  
HOSTILE, GROUND CASUALTY  
GUN, SMALL ARMS FIRE  
Body was recovered  
Religion  
PROTESTANT

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Donald is buried at Cadillac Memorial Gardens East, Clinton Twp., MI



## Warren Marine Dies of Wounds

By Ed Spetman  
Warren Bureau Chief

WARREN – Mrs. Lester Olson sat on the sofa holding the telegram which notified her of the death of her 18 year-old son, David Bryan Olson in Vietnam while her son Kevin, 3, ran about the living room, not realizing that his brother would never come back. “He wanted to be a Marine since he was five years old,” she said. “This is what he wanted. At least he died doing what he wanted to do.”

PFC Olsen died Sunday, Feb. 12, from a gunshot wound in the chest he received from hostile rifle fire while on patrol in the vicinity of Quang Nam. In a letter to Mrs. Olsen, Sgt. Daniel P. McCarty said: “The untimely death of your son while serving in Vietnam is a source of deep sorrow to the officers and men of the Marine /Corps. Please accept our deepest sympathy in your bereavement.”

A former Macomb Daily carrier boy, he attended Warren Woods High School, but left to enlist in the corps.

He was in Vietnam on Nov. 26, and during Christmas, he sent his parents, sisters and brothers a poem. “David was a quiet boy who never expressed his feelings to us, except in the poem,” Mrs. Olsen said. The poem Begins: Stop and make, silently, a long pilgrimage to the bottom of your heart.” David leaves his parents, Lester and Yola Olsen of 29387 Newport, in Warren, three brothers and two sisters.

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## Pfc. Donald Olsen

WARREN – Services will be held Monday for marine Pfc. Donald Olsen, 19, who was killed in action Feb. 12 in South Vietnam. Born in Detroit, March 2, 1949, he attended Warren Woods High School before joining the U. S. Marines.

He is survived by his parents, Lester and Yola Olsen, of Newport Avenue, and five brothers and sisters, Vicky, Pamela, Keith, Robin and Kevin, all at home.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday at the William J. Duross Funeral Home, 28499 Schoenherr, south of Twelve Mile, with the Rev. David Bishop officiating. A military burial will be held at Cadillac Memorial Gardens, East.

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