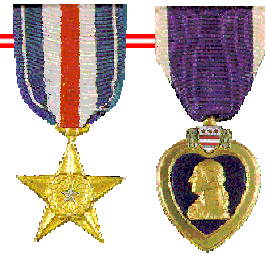


PETER JOHN SCHUTZ

SP4 - E4 - Army - Regular
173rd Airborne Brigade
19 year old Single, Caucasian, Male
Born on May 09, 1947
From UTICA, MICHIGAN
Length of service 1 year.
His tour of duty began on Apr 06, 1966
Casualty was on Mar 03, 1967
in TAY NINH, SOUTH VIETNAM
Hostile, died while missing
GROUND CASUALTY
ARTILLERY, ROCKET, or MORTAR
Body was recovered
Religion
ROMAN CATHOLIC

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Peter is buried at St. Lawrence Cem Utica, MI



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KILLED WHILE ADMINISTERING HELP

Soldier Dies Saving Buddy

By Daniel Trainer

Staff Writer

NEW HAVEN – Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schutz, 55777 Gratiot, have been notified by the U.S. Army that their son, Peter J. Schutz, died in action near Lien Hoa, Vietnam, by enemy mortar on March 3.

The Army said Schutz was killed by an enemy shell after he stopped to administer first aid to a wounded soldier.

In letters received by his parents, friends of Peter wrote this was the fourth time he endangered his life to render help to wounded soldiers while under enemy fire.

Peter enlisted in the Army in August 1965, less than two months after his graduation from Utica St. Lawrence High School.

Peter played football and basketball during his four years at St. Lawrence and was selected to the 1964 All Macomb County team and received honorable mention All State as a center.

Mary Schutz said her brother enlisted right after graduation “because he felt he had a job to do.”

Peter’s death came within a month before he was due to return to the states.

He was stationed in Vietnam since April 1966, with the 173rd Airborne and took part in the first American paratroop jump since the Korean War. For his efforts in the action, Peter received the Bronze Star.

“He wrote home,” Miss Schutz said, “and said how proud he was to have a Bronze Star to wear with his silver wings when he returned home.”

Miss Schutz said that Peter had planned to continue his education immediately after his discharge next year.

In addition to his parents and sister, Peter is survived by a brother, Edward, a student at Northern Michigan University, and a brother, Patrick, living at home.

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