

RONALD FRANK SKOVIAK

CPL - E4 - Marine Corps - Regular
22 year old Single, Caucasian, Male
Born on Aug 03, 1941
From WARREN, MICHIGAN
Length of service 4 years.
Casualty was on Oct 08, 1963
in QUANG NAM, SOUTH VIETNAM
HOSTILE, HELICOPTER - CREW
AIR LOSS, CRASH ON LAND
Body was recovered
Religion
ROMAN CATHOLIC

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Ronald is buried at Mount Olivet, Detroit, MI



Cpl. Ronald Skoviak

WARREN – Funeral services for Marine Cpl. Ronald Skoviak, 22, of 24645 Bolam, will be held Saturday.

The body of Corporal Skoviak, who was killed in a helicopter crash in South Viet Nam Oct. 8, was flown home late Tuesday.

It will lie in state at the William D. Clyne Funeral Home, 22322 Gratiot, East Detroit, from 3 p.m. today until time of service.

Rites will be conducted at 8:30 a.m. Saturday from the funeral home and at 9:30 from St. Joseph Catholic Church, corner of Orleans and Jay, Detroit. Military rites will be conducted at graveside by a Detroit Marine Corps detachment.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank (Mary) Skoviak and two sisters, Mrs. Joan Szezur and Mrs. Dorothy Makowski, both of East Detroit.

He was born Aug. 3, 1941, in Hamtramck and attended Oakwood Junior High School in East Detroit prior to enlisting in the Marines in 1958.

Completing initial training at Camp Pendleton and at Santa Ana, Calif., he was assigned to special helicopter training at Millington (Tenn.) Naval Aviation Training Center.

Corporal Skoviak's body was among those of twelve U. S. servicemen recovered from a South Viet Nam jungle following crashes of two helicopters.

The crashes occurred while the aircraft were on a rescue mission seeking another American flier.

Corporal Skoviak, a helicopter mechanic, was home on leave last August. The family received its last letter from him in September while he was passing through the Philippines en route to Viet Nam.

The older Skoviak is a wheelwright at the Chevrolet Gear and Axle plant in Detroit.

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