

# WAYNE WINSTON TEEPLE

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SP4 - E4 - Army - Selective Service  
9th Infantry Division  
24 year old Single, Caucasian, Male  
Born on Jan 02, 1945  
From ROSEVILLE, MICHIGAN  
Length of service 1 year.  
His tour of duty began on May 02, 1968  
Casualty was on Mar 03, 1969  
in VINH LONG, SOUTH VIETNAM  
NON-HOSTILE, HELICOPTER - NONCREW  
AIR LOSS, CRASH ON LAND  
Body was recovered  
Religion  
BAPTIST

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Wayne is buried at National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, Hawaii



## 2 Area GIs Die in Vietnam

*The war in Vietnam became a grim reality today for two families in Macomb County.*

*Each treasures letters – letters that spoke of hope, plans and prayers. And now, the families of the soldiers have only letters - and their grief.*

One soldier, Sp 4 Wayne W. Teeple, lived in Roseville, and the other, Pfc. Davis Snyder, lived in St. Clair Shores.

“The only time my son ever spoke of anything happening was in one letter. He told me to ignore crank calls, if something happened, the Army would send someone to see me.” Said Mrs. Wilson A. Teeple.”

The Army sent someone to see her twice. Once her son, Spc. 4 Teeple, was listed as missing and last seen as a passenger on a military aircraft on a military mission.” On March 5 she was notified that he was listed as killed in action. He was to have come home in 30 days.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Winston A. Teeple, 19160 Meier, the 24 year-old Specialist was serving in Battery A, Sixth Battalion, 77<sup>th</sup> Artillery, Ninth Infantry Division.

A graduate of Port Huron High School and City Barber Collage in Detroit he was drafted in December of 1967 and was sent to Vietnam in May of 1968.

Teeple had been deferred four times due to injuries from an automobile accident, before he was suddenly drafted. He is the family’s only son and is also survived by two sisters Barbara, 15, and Mrs. James (Joyce Ann) Hyde, 28, of Port Huron.

Spc. Teeple will be buried with full military honors in National Cemetery of the Pacific, Hawaii. Memorial services will be held at 3 p.m. March 23 in Westhaven Baptist Church, Port Huron Township.

“We keep busy all the time. And when we have the time, we pray,” Pfc. Snyder told his mother in a letter from Vietnam.

“He told me he sure would appreciate things a lot more than he did before, once he got home,” she said.

*But Pfc. Snyder, who wrote home almost everyday, died March 8 “of wounds received while at an aircraft landing zone when engaged by hostile force.”*

*The son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl L. Snyder, of 22049 Tanglewood, David, as the family called him was a junior at Murray (Ky.) State University when he was drafted in August. He went to Vietnam with Company D, Second Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Cavalry, First Cavalry Division in mid-January of this year.*

*“ We weren’t really sure just where he was,” said his mother, “One letter mentioned going ‘south to the boondocks’ then he talked about the jungle and rubber plantations. We think he was near Saigon.”*

*He is also survived by his sisters Ann, 22, and Jane, 21, and his brother, Steven, 13.*

*Four years ago the family came to Michigan from Eldorado, Ill. Pfc. Snyder will be buried there.*

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## Wayne W. Teeple

Memorial services will be held for Sp. 4 Wayne W. Teeple at 3 p.m. March 23, at Westhaven Baptist Church, Port Huron Township. Teeple, who was killed in Vietnam, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Winston A. Teeple, 19160 Meier, Roseville.

He is being buried with full military honors in the National Cemetery of the Pacific, Hawaii.

He is survived by his parents; two sisters, Barbara, at home, and Mrs. James (Joyce Ann) Hyde, of Port Huron; his grandmother, Mrs. Leon Harvey, of Port Huron; and several aunts, uncles and cousins in Michigan, California and Canada.

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