FALLEN WARRIOR PORTRAITS

November 2017



Oscar C. Key 25, McKinney. 2nd Lt. US Army, Co. C. 359th Inf. 90th Div. Infantry officer killed in action 26 September 1918, at the Battle of Meuse-Argonne, France, in WWI. While leading his men against a fortified German machine-gun bunker the enemy fire became so intense all members of his squad were killed and were never seen again. Listed on the "Tablets of the Missing" at St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, France.



Vernon M. Cain 26, McKinney, PFC, USMC, MAG (Marine Air Group) 24. Fought through the Bougainville Campaign and was killed in action 4 March 1945, during the invasion of the Philippine Islands. Buried in the Allen Cemetery.



Clarence Williams 19, Plano, PFC, USMC, Weapons Co. 3rd Bn. 7th Marines, 1st Marine Div. Taken prisoner 7 Oct. 1952, during hand-to-hand combat on an isolated hilltop called Outpost Frisco in North Korea. He was never seen or heard from again. Declared dead 16 Jan. 1956.



Joe A. Johnson 22, Westminster High School Class of 1964, Specialist Four, US Army. Radio Operator with Company A, 4th Bn. 9th Infantry Division. Killed in Action 27 November 1968, along with his commanding officer as they exited a helicopter during an intense battle near the Cambodian border in South Vietnam. Posthumously Awarded the Bronze Star. Buried in Westminster, Texas.



James Casey Joyce 24, Plano, Sergeant, US Army. B Co. 3rd Bn. 75th Ranger Regiment. KIA 3 Oct. 1993 in Mogadishu, Somalia, as he attempted to save the life of a fellow soldier. *First Collin County boy to be killed in the Global War on Terror*. The story of the mission is told in the book and movie "Black Hawk Down." Buried at Arlington National Cemetery.



Christopher Trevor Woodard 30, Plano Senior High School Class of 1999, Staff/Sergeant, US Army, Joint Communications Support Element, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida. Served multiple tours around the world, skilled electronics technician, earned the title of Jumpmaster in paratrooper training school. In Afghanistan, he spent much of his time high in the mountains triangulating the locations of the enemy and monitoring cell phone activity. Killed in motorcycle accident 28 March 2012. Buried at Arlington National Cemetery.