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8 men  
to a tent  
Slept on cots  
with mosquito  
netting and wall locker  
Add to my book  
Deployment

Dick,

The only thing I remember being different was that heavy rain had caused the trailer to collapse. I could be incorrect.. You certainly have more detail than I remember.

I do remember that Bobby Wofford sent the 603rd as the advance party. We arrived in country before any 188th folks arrived. We all fit on one aircraft. When the pilot announced that we would be landing shortly I told everyone to put on a new set of fatigues so we would look like soldiers not refugees. We were met on the tarmac by a group of General and field grade officers none of who's names I can remember. (probably CG of the 1st Avn. Bde. but then again I'm not sure. The General approached us and said your men look sharp. Where is Maj. Wofford. I said he wasn't on the flight and would be arriving on the last aircraft. He said who are you men and I said the 603rd Trans Det. sir.. He shouted , HE DIDNT COME WITH HIS ADVANCE PARTY? I said no sir and he stormed off.

I was flown To Dau Tang by the X.O. of the 269th. We walked off the landing strip and he said this is where I want you to pitch your tents. They will be lined up and don't cut down any rubber trees we have to pay the French for them. Some trucks arrived and kicked off some GP tents and C rations. He said your men will be arriving by convoy . I said where can the men shower when they arrive . He said It rains every afternoon and left.

The only thing worse than my memory of most of this is my typing. If I think of any more I'll send it to you.

Good job on your book.

Gary

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