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Jerry Pierce (Platoon Sergeant)

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Dec 31st at 10:30 P.M. the first trip flares went off about 50 yds outside the perimeter. Then they began hitting the base with RPG's and hit the perimeter with human wave attacks breaching the perimeter on the north and south sides. During the fighting a resupply chopper bringing in ammo during the night took multiple hits and crashed outside the perimeter (probably Black Hawks) 200 yds out.

Jerry's best friend was decapitated by RPG. in bunker next to his. Puff the Magic Dragon was there also. Black Widow gun ships were scrambled to make gun runs on the human wave attacks. Jerry directed his 2 cases of grenades & 1479 rounds into his fire position - ship it kept him alive - 12 APC's were (destroyed) completely knocked out by RPG's - a guy mounted in the 50 turret was also decapitated by a direct hit. 23 KIA - 70 wounded the battle lasted until 5:00 A.M. NVA & V.C. coordinated hit from along the Cambodian Border. Artillery can't shoot point blank Beehive rounds into the ~~front~~ of waves of enemy soldiers overrunning the FSB. On the 1st of Jan. Gen. Westmoreland directed at the Battle Pz's. There ~~was~~ perimeter was a cao gon wheel with artillery in the middle - med and the rest out side and the 3rd on the perimeter line. 387 officially dead Jerry piled up the bodies 2nd The mechanized infantry was there and the 2nd artillery.

Dan Tien had an Ice Plant in service at the village

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