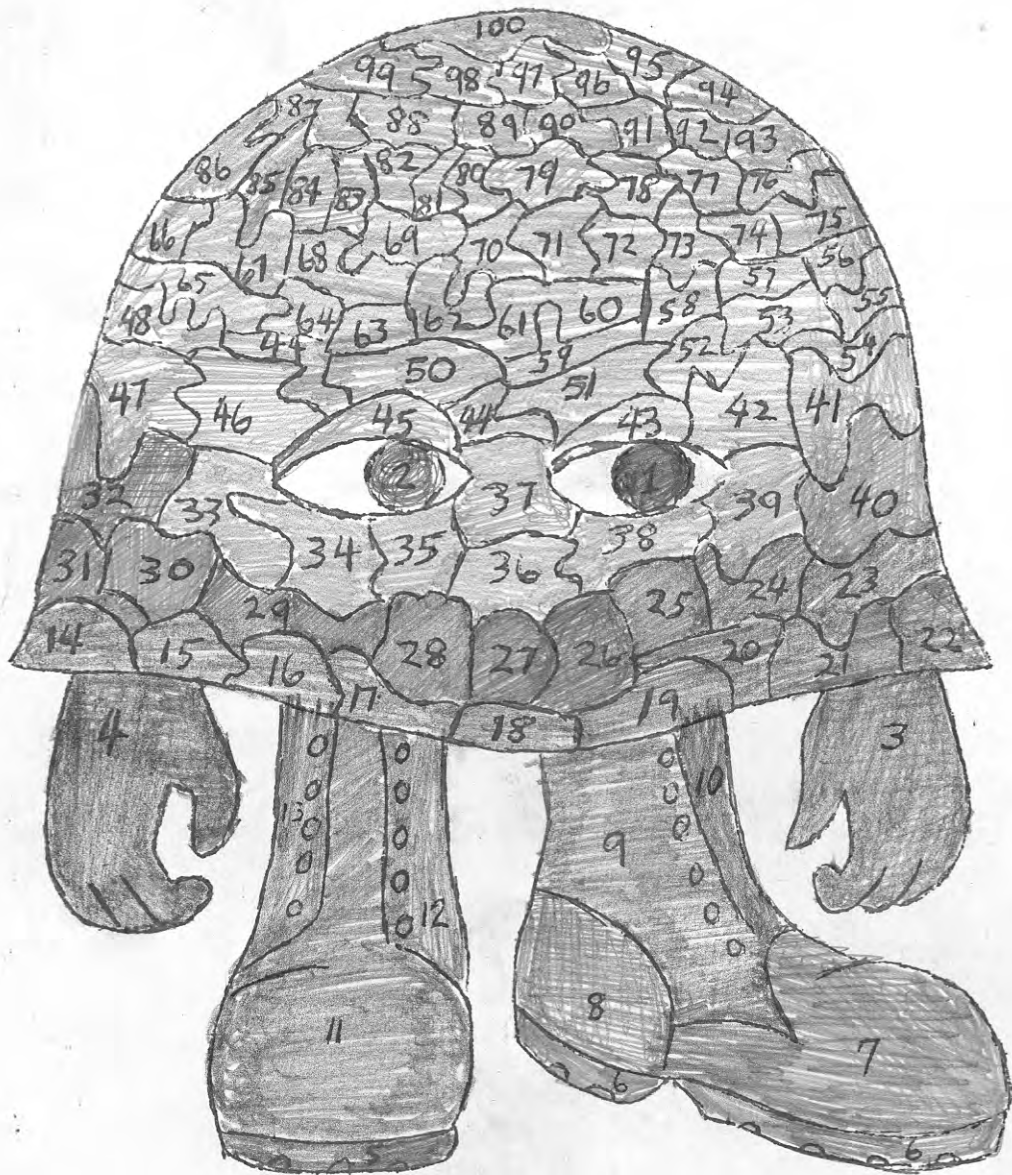




How SHORT CAN I Get?

This is a "FIGMO" chart, G.I.

Acronym for "Fuck-it, got my orders."

When a soldier serving in South Vietnam had ~~100~~ days or less remaining in his tour of duty he would keep track of those remaining days by filling in the numbered blanks on the drawing... starting at the number 90 & working his way to the all-important "last day" and a flight home on a "Freedom Bird."

In DASPO we were always 90 days or less in-country, as each Temporary duty trip was budgeted for that number of days. I kept this figmo chart on my last TDP trip to South Vietnam in the summer of 1969. On that trip I was truly a "Short-timer" in Vietnam.

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