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(called 7/12/97
will write me
with details.)

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Hey, Guys,

I am vexed that in one of the directories, I think it is, I forget which one, it is mentioned that I bent an H-13 in an accident my first tour in 'Nam--when with Troop D, 1st Squadron, 4th Cavalry, 1st Division (9/66-67) (but oddly, there has been no mention of any of the four or more times I had H-13s hit and damaged by hostile ground fire) but I have as yet to find any mention of the time my OH-6, when I was (as Troop X.O.) with Troop B, 2nd Squadron, 17th Cavalry, 101st Airborne (3/69-1/70) and was shot down (reputedly, according to comrade's letters, by one, perhaps even two RPGs plus scads of AK rounds).

Ah, come on, folks, if you are going to show I broke a chopper in an accident my first tour, you might as well show that another was broken, with the unappreciated assistance of the Dinks, with me at the stick, in a firefight my second tour; I like to think I was a warrior, not a REMF, in Viet-Nam. And what about the four times or more times my first tour that OH-13s I was flying were damaged by ground fire and the three or five (or six or seven?) other times I had OH-6's damaged by ground fire my second tour? You folks are strangely selective with your reporting. [Could I do better than y'all? Probably, almost certainly, not.]

Confirmation that the Dinks nearly did me in during my final mission is offered with the last page of my flight records, copy enclosed, particularly the last sentence of the last page ("Records closed this station 25 Jan 70, Aviator wounded in action."). Actually, I was shot down three days previously, on 22 January 1970.

Make me happy, mention somewhere in the permanent records (and not in just the quarterly newsletter) that I badly broke, with the assistance of the bad guys, another chopper my second tour.

Dominus vobiscum,

William D. (Dave) Livingston
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Capt., Army (retired)

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INDIVIDUAL FLIGHT RECORD AND FLIGHT CERTIFICATE - ARMY (PART I) (AR 95-64)						1. PER. VERED 1969: Jul thru Dec 1970: Jan		2. SHEET NUMBER 13	
3. LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL Livingston, William D.				4. SERVICE NUMBER 		5. GRADE, OR, COMPONENT AND DOB CPT AR USAR 5 Mar 40		ACTIVE DUTY? ☒ YES ☐ NO	
6. ORIGINAL RATINGS AND DATE F. W. R. W. 16 Aug 66				7. PRESENT DESIGNATION AND DATE ARAV 16 Aug 66		8. TYPE INSTRUMENT CERTIFICATE(S) R/W TAC 5 Mar 69 (Expired)			
9. ORIGINATING ORGANIZATION AND STATION B Trp, 2nd Sqdn, 17th Cav 101st Abn Div, APO SF 96383						10. SIGNATURE AND TYPED NAME AND GRADE OF OPERATIONS OFFICER  RALPH A. NORTHROP CPT.			

SECTION I - SUMMARY OF PILOT EXPERIENCE									
DUTY a	FIXED WING			ROTARY WING				OTHER i	TOTAL j
	SINGLE ENGINE b	MULTI-ENGINE		SINGLE ENGINE		MULTI-ENGINE			
		RECIPRO-CATING c	TURBO-PROP d	SINGLE ROTOR e	TANDEM ROTOR f	SINGLE ROTOR g	TANDEM ROTOR h		
11. AIRCRAFT COMMANDER					109				109
12. INSTRUCTOR PILOT									
13. FIRST PILOT					1507				1507
14. COPILOT					27				27
15. MILITARY STUDENT PILOT					213				213
16. FOREIGN MILITARY PILOT									
17. CIVILIAN PILOT									
18. TOTAL PILOT TIME					1856				1856
19. PILOT COMBAT TIME (Included in above total)					1415				1415
20. OTHER									

SECTION II - SYNTHETIC INSTRUMENT TRAINER			SECTION III - AIRCRAFT QUALIFICATIONS	
MONTHS a	TYPE b	TIME c	AIRCRAFT TYPE MODEL SERIES a	DATE b
			TH55A	16 Aug 66
			UH1ABD	7 Nov 68
			OH13HS	3 Nov 67
			CH34C	22 Apr 68
			OH6A	23 Oct 68
21. TOTAL THIS SHEET		0		
22. TOTAL BROUGHT FORWARD FROM SHEET NO. 12		22		
23. TOTAL TO DATE		22		

SECTION IV - FLIGHT HOURS ACCRUED - TOTAL HOURS FLOWN BY MONTH (24 Hour Maximum)											
JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
24	24	15	24	24	16	8					

24. REMARKS Aviator qualified as Aircraft Commander in UH-1H, on 1 Sep 69, and UH-1C. Authority to record combat time IAW AR 95-1 and DA Msg 714664, dtd 7 May 65. Instrument proficiency waived while in SEA; instrument certificates must be renewed within 6 months of first day of duty at new unit IAW DA Msg 765107, dtd 13 May 66 unless further exempted UP AR 95-63.

Annual written examinations and accomplishment of instrument and night flying minimums for that portion of the fiscal year while stationed in RVN, are waived IAW Msg, CINCUSARPAC, GPOP-AV 46167, Subj: Aviator Training Requirements - SEA, DTG 270546Z Dec 67.

Time flown towards accomplishment of annual minimums is as follows:
TOTAL 80.0+ INST 5.1 NXC 5.3 XC 20.0+ NIGHT 11.7

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25. SIGNATURE			I HAVE REVIEWED THE ENTRIES ON THIS FORM			GRADE			DATE		