

NAME: Robert L. Hill

RANK: Chief Master Sergeant

DATE OF LOSS: 18 Oct 66

COUNTRY OF LOSS: North Vietnam

DATE OF BIRTH: 25 Sep 31

HOME OF RECORD: Detroit MI

CURRENT STATUS: Killed in Action/Body Not Recovered

UNIT OF ASSIGNMENT: 37 Air Rescue/Recvry Sq, DaNang AB VS

CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS: Chief Hill was the flight mechanic on an HU-16 which was performing a rescue mission when he was reported missing in action. The last radio contact from the HU-16 was approximately 53 nautical miles in the Gulf of Tonkin off the coast of North Vietnam. The crew members were reported missing in action at the time of estimated fuel exhaustion when they did not return from the mission. Chief Hill was continued in a missing status until 18 July 1973 when his status was administratively changed by the Department of the Air Force to killed in action. Since his remains have not been recovered and returned, he is listed by the Department of Defense as unaccounted for in Southeast Asia.

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