

**NAME:** Patrick H. Wood

**RANK:** Colonel

**DATE OF LOSS:** 06 Feb 67

**COUNTRY OF LOSS:** North Vietnam

**DATE OF BIRTH:** 23 Jan 31

**HOME OF RECORD:** Kansas City MO

**CURRENT STATUS:** Killed in Action/Body Not Recovered

**UNIT OF ASSIGNMENT:** 38 Air Rescue/Recvry Sq, Nakhon Phanom AB TH

**CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS:** Colonel Wood was the pilot of an HH-3 helicopter which was on a rescue mission when he was reported missing in action. A downed aircrew member was hoisted aboard the helicopter and it was departing the area, when it was hit by ground fire causing it to crash and explode. The helicopter pararescueman was thrown free, survived the crash and was rescued. Colonel Wood was continued in a missing status until 28 May 1974 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.