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CW2 John B. Konek, Retired

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Dear Mr. Konek

This is in response to your 10 August 1998 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request (#98-0775) asking for records pertaining to the final status/report of death of Technical Sergeant Allen J. Avery.

Attached is a Loss Information Sheet on Technical Sergeant Avery (Atch 1).

Also attached is a copy of his final DD Form 1300 (Report of Casualty) (Atch 2). Personal information on other individuals (social security number, address, etc.) is deleted from all documents to protect their privacy. This information doesn't pertain to your request per Air Force Instruction 37-132, Chapter 4, paragraph 4.4.4.

Sincerely

George E. Atkinson
GEORGE E. ATKINSON
Chief, Casualty Matters Division
Personnel Accountability Directorate

Attachments:

1. Loss Information Sheet
2. DD Form 1300

Info removed by VNCA

NAME: Allen J. Avery

RANK: Technical Sergeant

DATE OF LOSS: 06 Apr 72

COUNTRY OF LOSS: South Vietnam

DATE OF BIRTH: 22 Feb 43

HOME OF RECORD: Auburn MA

CURRENT STATUS: Killed in Action

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

CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS: Sergeant Avery was a pararescueman on an HH-53 helicopter when he was killed in action while on a rescue mission. The helicopter was struck by hostile ground fire, crashed, and burned. The Armed Forces Identification Review Board approved the group remains identification recommendation on 26 September 1997.

REPORT OF CASUALTY		DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE WASHINGTON D.C. 20330-5000			REPORT CONTROL SYMBOL DD-FM&P (AR) 1664
1. REPORT NUMBER NOT USED		2. REPORT TYPE Corrected Final			3. DATE PREPARED 17 Oct 97
4. SERVICE IDENTIFICATION					
5. NAME (Last, First, Middle and Suffix) AVERY, Allen Jones		b. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]		c. GRADE/RANK/RATE TSgt	d. OCCUPATION CODE A92370
e. COMPONENT Regular		f. BRANCH USAF	g. ORGANIZATION 37th Aerospace Rescue & Recovery Squadron APO San Francisco 96337		
6. CASUALTY INFORMATION					
a. TYPE Hostile	b. STATUS Deceased	c. CATEGORY KIA	d. DATE OF CASUALTY 6 Apr 72	e. PLACE OF CASUALTY South Vietnam	
7. CAUSE AND CIRCUMSTANCES Hostile Action: (HH-53C Rescue Helicopter - crewmember). While participating in a rescue operation the helicopter was hit by ground fire, then crashed and on impact, burst into flames.					
8. DUTY STATUS Active Duty/On Duty			h. FLIGHT STATUS Aircrew		i. BODY RECOVERED *No
9. BACKGROUND INFORMATION					
a. DATE OF BIRTH [REDACTED]	b. PLACE OF BIRTH [REDACTED]	c. COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP NOT USED			
d. RACE Caucasoid	e. ETHNIC GROUP NOT USED	f. SEX Male	g. RELIGIOUS PREFERENCE Baptist		
10. ACTIVE DUTY INFORMATION					
a. PLACE OF ENTRY Eglin AFB FL		b. DATE OF ENTRY 3 Sep 69	c. HOME OF RECORD AT TIME OF ENTRY Auburn MA		
d. DATE TOUR COMMENCED 23 Sep 70		e. PRIOR SERVICE INFORMATION AF11391327			f. RECORD OF EMERGENCY DATA FORM DATE 28 Sep 70
11. PAY INFORMATION					
a. PAY GRADE 0E-6	b. BASIC PAY N/A	c. INCENTIVE ADDITIONAL PAY (State type) N/A			
12. INTERESTED PERSONS (Name, Address, and Relationship) [REDACTED] Daughter					
13. REMARKS (Continue on separate sheet if necessary) * The Armed Forces Identification Review Board approved the group remains identification recommendation on 26 Sep 97. Changes in item #9 are indicated by a +. SGLI: Per Certificate Lump Sum \$15,000					
FOOTNOTES FOR ITEMS 9 AND 10 1 Adult next of Me 2 Beneficiary for gratuity pay in event there is no surviving spouse or child - as designated on record of emergency data. 3 Beneficiary for medical pay and allowances - as designated on record of emergency data.					
14. REPORTING INFORMATION					
e. COMMAND AGENCY N/A		b. DATE RECEIVED N/A			
15. DISTRIBUTION [REDACTED]					
16. SIGNATURE ELEMENT WILLIAM R. FRAMPTON Senior Liaison Officer, Missing Persons Branch		17. REPORT FOR VA TO FOLLOW NO 			