

Bobby Joe Yewell, T-67

17 February 1948 – 12 May 1969

(aged 21)



Army Specialist 4 Bobby Yewell, who was up for his second Bronze Star award, has been killed in Vietnam action, Army officials notified his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Odor of 3390 Vernon.

Yewell, 21, a Tech High graduate, was reported missing in action last Thursday near Quon Loi. The following day, Mr. and Mrs. Odor received word that he was killed during a Viet Cong attack on his camp.

Only last Wednesday Mrs. Odor had received a letter from her son that he had won his second Bronze Star. His first award came for saving another soldier and killing several of the enemy while his battalion was under attack.

Yewell is the 182nd Shelby Countian to die in the Vietnam conflict. He had been employed by Milton Sternberger Company before he entered the Army. He was a member of Raleigh Assembly of God Church.

He also leaves two brothers, Charles Yewell of 3390 Vernon and Jimmy Yewell of 3394 Vernon; a half-sister, Mrs. Helen Linderman of Eaton Rapids MI; his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Mary Yewell of Marked Tree AR, his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank of Marked Tree.

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