

**Sgt Phillip Keith "Top" Ross**

b. 22 April 1934, Leaksville, Rockingham Co., NC  
d. 4 March 1968. Vietnam (First Sgt. Army Vietnam)

Wife: Mary Waller

Father: Gabe Vance Ross (1901-1962)

Mother: Maxine Hamby (1904-1998)

Buried: Fort Donelson National Cemetery,  
Dover, Stewart Co., TN

First Sergeant Phillip K Ross, Vietnam Veteran, Native of Greensboro, NC.

First Sergeant Phillip K Ross was a casualty of the Vietnam War. As a member of the Army, 1SG Ross served our country until March 4th, 1968 in Binh Thuan, South



Vietnam. He was 33 years old and was married. It was reported that Phillip died from artillery fire. His body was recovered. Phillip was born on April 22nd, 1934 in Rockingham County, NC. 1SG Ross is on panel 42E, line 069 of the Vietnam Memorial Wall in Washington D.C. He served our country for 14 years.

Phillip K. Ross was born April 22, 1934 and his home of record was Greensboro, North Carolina. He served with the 101st Airborne Division (Screaming Eagles) while in Vietnam. At the time of his death, he was survived by his wife, Mary, a son, Michael, his mother, Maxine and a brother Robert. He is buried in Fort Donelson National

Cemetery, Dover, Tennessee, near the Fort Donelson National Battlefield. God rest your soul, Phillip. Jane Fulkerson, Researcher, mcco1t@nemont.net.

Hello Sarge. Letting you know your still remembered. It's been awhile since I paid you a visit here. Just wanted you to know that those of us that were lucky enough to get to be "old men" never forget those of you who gave your all. Thanks is not a big enough word to express it. You could always keep your cool PK, even when you lost the bet on the packer game. I was your driver; RTO; and shared your tent in the field. It took me a long time to look you up here Sarge. Maybe I thought if I didn't look, it didn't happen. It's guys like you that gave guys like me the chance to be a part of the best outfit. I still fly the 101st flag in my front yard. Rest in peace Sarge. Richard Markusen, 4107 Lincoln Ave, Two Rivers, Wisconsin 54241, oslo1985@yahoo.com.

Distant Cousin. My mother knew him well. Even though I was a child, I still remember her reaction to the news that he was killed in action. And I remember a card from his family. A red, white and blue ribbon fell out when my mother opened it. He will always be a symbol of the freedoms we celebrate here in the USA. My young children share his bravery with their friends. They realize how important those that keep us free are. They know how lucky they are to have heroes that cared enough to keep America free. Donna Ralph.

A very close friend and My Friend and Hero. William Hair, 2800 Thrush Drive, Clarksville, Tennessee 37040, Pekejakehair@aol.com.

He is the Son of Mr. and Mrs. Gabe Vance Ross. He was survived by his widow, Mary W. Ross of Clarksville, a son, Michael Keith Ross of the home, mother Mrs. Maxie Ross; a brother Robert Ross both of Greensboro, North Carolina.

Served with Alpha Battery, 319th Artillery, 101st Airborne Division, "Screaming Eagles", USARV.

He was awarded The Silver Star Medal for Bravery, The Bronze Star Medal with "V" Device for Valor in Action, The Army Commendation Medal with One Oak Leaf Cluster, The Purple Heart Medal for his combat related wounds, Paratrooper Jump Wings, The Vietnam Service Medal, The Republic of Vietnam Campaign Service Medal, The National Defense Service Medal, The Good Conduct Medal(s).

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