

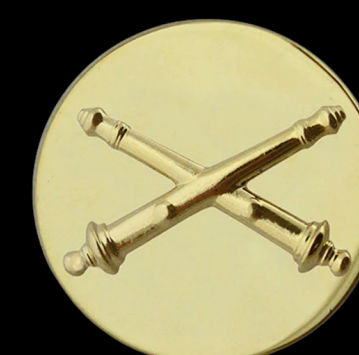


# JAMES CARROLL WOOD

(JULY 20, 1947 - APRIL 11, 1968)



Corporal



Infantry



Parachutist



101st  
Airborne  
Division



HHC, 101st  
Aviation  
Battalion



1st  
Aviation  
Brigade



12th  
Aviation  
Group



145th  
Aviation  
Battalion

Years of Service: 18 MAY 1966 - 18 MAY 1970

## Medals & Awards:

Bronze Star with Valor

Purple Heart

Air Medal

Army Commendation Medal

National Defense Service Medal

Vietnam Service Medal

Vietnam Gallantry Cross Unit Citation

Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal

Three Overseas Service Bars

Combat Infantryman 1st Award

Pathfinder Badge

Combat Infantry First Award

Infantry Shoulder Cord



**Corporal James Carroll Wood** enlisted in the United States Army in May 18, 1966, and began serving in November of that year. Stationed with the Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 101st Aviation Battalion, 101st Airborne Division, CPL Wood served as a paratrooper for a regular 12-month period and then volunteered to return for a second tour. After a 30 day leave in Rustburg, CPL Wood returned to Dinh Tuong as an Airborne/Pathfinder Qualified Infantryman with the Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 145th Aviation Battalion, 12th Aviation Group, 1st Aviation Brigade. In 1967, Wood received an Army Commendation Medal. In addition to a Purple Heart, he received an Air Medal and a Bronze Star with a "V" device for valor posthumously, in 1968.

James Carroll (J. C.) Wood was born in Lynchburg in 1947, to Harriette Anne Firkin and Carroll Emerson Wood, who served in World War II and the Korean War with the United States Air Force. J.C. Wood graduated from E. C. Glass High School. After his parents divorced, his mother married William Nelson Johnson in the 1960s. They subsequently moved to Rustburg, residing on Route 1. Their daughter, Sabrina Johnson Smith, commemorated J. C. in 2013, in a post on Wall of Faces titled "My hero, My brother." "I still remember," Smith wrote, "and miss you very much."