

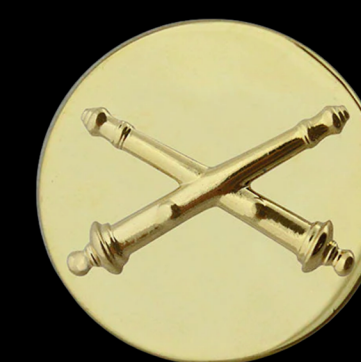


ROBERT DANIEL UNRUE

(OCTOBER 15, 1945 - MAY 18, 1970)



Army
Specialist 4



Infantry



D Company,
4th Battalion,
12th Infantry



199th Light
Infantry Brigade

Years of Service: 13 AUG 1969 - 18 MAY 1970

Medals & Awards:

Bronze Star

National Defense Service Medal

Vietnam Service Medal

Vietnam Gallantry Cross Unit Citation

Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal

Combat Infantry First Award

Infantry Shoulder Cord



Specialist 4 Robert Daniel Unrue joined the United States Army in 1969 and was deployed to Vietnam in January, 1970. Assigned to D Company, 12th Infantry Regiment, 4th Battalion Service Occupation, SP4 Unrue served as a Light Weapons Infantryman and was stationed in Long Binh Province, near Saigon. As part of the 199th Light Infantry Brigade, D Company was a combat unit that participated in search-and-destroy and reconnaissance-in-force missions. SP4 Unrue served in Vietnam for nine months and received a Bronze Star medal posthumously.

Born in 1945, Robert "Bobby" Unrue grew up in Lynchburg and was a member of Fort Hill United Methodist Church. He lived on Pennsylvania Avenue with his parents, Minnie Daniel and Charlie Grover Unrue, a grocery store owner. Bobby Unrue was a gifted athlete and participated in sports on both the high school and college levels. At E. C. Glass, he was a

member of the track team and, in his senior year, was chosen to co-captain the football team, the Hilltoppers. At Ferrum Junior College, Bobby was a "standout player" on the football team according to coach Hank Norton, who praised both his speed and tackling ability. After graduating from Ferrum with an Associate Arts degree in education in 1966, Unrue enrolled at Hampden-Sydney College. A Pi Kappa Alpha, Bobby continued to play football, and was voted Most Valuable in Track in his junior and senior years. He graduated with a Bachelor of Arts, Cum Laude, in 1969. His classmates from high school and college remembered him as a gentleman, who was kind, decent, and determined.* In a remembrance from 2009, his Hampden-Sydney College roommate, Mike, wrote "God has never created a finer human being. I will always remember him. Rest in Peace, friend and brother."*

*Wall of Faces