



ROBERT EDWARD HALL

(JUNE 19, 1947 - FEBRUARY 4, 1968)



Marines
Lance
Corporal



Headquarters & Service
Company (H&S),
3rd Tank Battalion



3rd Marine
Division



3rd Marine
Amphibious Force
(III MAF)

Years of Service: 1966 - 4 FEB 1968

Medals & Awards:

Purple Heart

Combat Action

National Defense Service Medal

Vietnam Service Medal

Vietnam Gallantry Cross Unit Citation

Vietnam Civil Actions Unit Citation

Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal



Corporal Robert Edward Hall joined the United States Marines in 1966, and received training at Parris Island in South Carolina. On August 30, 1967, he began serving with the Headquarters and Service Company, 3rd Tank Battalion, 3rd Marine Division, 3rd Marine Amphibious Force. As an Assault Amphibious Vehicle Crewman, CPL Hall assisted with the transport of combat-equipped troops in amphibious and land-based operations. In his final mission, CPL Hall fought in the Battle of Huế during the politically pivotal Tet Offense of January/February, 1968. A friend from boot camp, Kai Dozier, described him as a "truly special person" and "hero who gave his life fighting for his country."* Hall and Dozier had planned to visit Europe when they finished their tours in Vietnam.

Robert "Bobby" Hall was born in Raleigh, North Carolina, to Donna Virginia Shoop and Edward Raymond Hall. The Hall family moved to Lynchburg in 1948. Edward Hall, a prominent figure in

Lynchburg's government and civic circles, worked first as manager and later as president of the Lynchburg Transit Company. A veteran of World War II, he also served on the Lynchburg School Board and City Planning Commission, and was a president of the Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce and Lynchburg Rotary Club. Bobby Hall attended E. C. Glass High School, where he played tennis, and became a confirmed member of Grace Memorial Episcopal Church in 1963. After graduating from high school in 1965, Bobby Hall attended Louisburg College, in Louisburg, NC. Friends from Lynchburg remembered his wit and "enthusiastic spirit." On Wall of Faces, Hal (H. G.) Preas wrote: "We lost a good person in Bobby and I was sorry to hear of his passing...You are remembered, and thanks for your service."

*Wall of Faces and rememberingmyjourney.com