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Name  
James R. Birdsong  
Branch of Service and Serial/Service Number(s)  
United States Marine Corps  
Dates of Service  
November 6, 1967 - May 22, 1969 and June 5 1971 - June 25, 1971

Duty Status  
Discharged  
Rank/Grade  
Corporal  
Salary  
NA  
Source of Commission  
NA  
Promotion Sequence Number  
NA  
Assignments and Geographical Locations  
See Attached

Military Education  
Basic Training, ATASLTMAN course 1968

Decorations and Awards  
National Defense Service Medal, Combat Action Ribbon, Purple Heart Medal,  
Vietnam Service Medal w/1 Bronze Service Star, Vietnam Campaign Medal  
w/device, Rifle Sharpshooter Badge, Navy Achievement Medal w/Combat "V"

Transcript of Court-Martial Trial  
Not in record  
Photograph  
na  
Place of Entry  
Los Angeles, CA and Kansas City, MO  
Place of Separation  
Santa Ana, CA and Quantico, VA

**FOR DECEASED VETERAN ONLY**

Place of Birth  
Date of Death  
Location of Death  
Place of Burial

NOTE: N/A denotes information is not available in the veteran's records

RECORD OF SERVICE

ORGANIZATION	DATE	REASON	PRIMARY DUTY
1stRTrngBn, RTR MCRDep, SDiego	07 NOV 1967	Jd	9900 RecruitTrng
1stRTrngBn, RTR MCRDep, SDiego	07 JAN 1968	Tr	9900 RecruitTrng
5 CO. 3BN, 24ITR, MCB CAMP PENDLETON, CALIF	JAN 12 1968	Jd	DUINS/ACT
5 CO. 3BN, 24ITR, MCB CAMP PENDLETON, CALIF	FEB 9 1968	TR	COMPL/ICT
5 CO. 3BN, 24ITR, MCB CAMP PENDLETON, CALIF	9Feb68	TR	COMPL/ICT
WPNS Co. BITBN 2nd ITR MCB, CampPen, Calif	FEB 10 1968	Jd	0351 DUINS
WPNS Co. BITBN 2nd ITR MCB, CampPen, Calif	MAR 7 1968	TRANS	0351 DUINS COMPL
H&SCo, 1stBn, 5thMar 1stMarDiv(Rein)FMF	26Apr68	Jd	0351 106's
H&SCo, 1stBn, 5thMar 1stMarDiv(Rein)FMF	31Jul68	Semi-Ann	0351 106's
H&SCo, 1stBn, 5thMar 1stMarDiv(Rein)FMF	31Jan69	Semi-Ann	Section Ldr 106's Man
H&SCo, 1stBn, 5thMar 1stMarDiv(Rein)FMF AS EL TORO (SANTA ANA), CALIF	690511	Tr	Section Ldr 106's Man
PRASG. MCAS EL TORO (SANTA ANA), CALIF	MAY 16 1969	Jd	AWTGRELACDU
PRASG. MCAS EL TORO (SANTA ANA), CALIF	22 MAY 1969	RELACDU	FINAL AVE
MCRF (CL III) KSC. MO.	690523	Jd	Inactive
MCRF (CL III) KSC MO	13 JUN 71	Tr	Inactive
ROCAU, MCDEC, QUANT, VA. 22134	710114	Jd	INACTIVE
ROCAU, MCDEC, QUANT, VA. 22134	710605	Jd	INACTIVE
ROCAU, MCDEC, QUANT, VA. 22134	710615	TR	INACTIVE
OCS, MCDEC, QUANT	710605	Jd	DUINS
OCS, MCDEC, QUANT	710616	CHPriDu	Awt Discharge
OCS, MCDEC, QUANT	710625	DIS	ATASLTMAN

EMBOSSED PLATE IMPRESSION

BIRDSONG, JAMES R.

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NAME (Last) (First) (Middle) SERVICE NO.

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## COMBAT HISTORY - EXPEDITIONS - AWARDS RECORD (1070)

## COMBAT HISTORY - EXPEDITIONS

DATE OF ENTRY	DETAILS	DATES		SIGNATURE
		FROM (ON)-	TO-	
26Apr68	Participated in operations against insurgent Communist Viet Cong Forces, RVN	26Apr68	690511	<i>John L. Polycarp</i>
7May68	Participated in OPERATION HOUSTON I vicinity of Thua Thien Province, RVN	26Apr68	30Apr68	<i>John L. Polycarp</i>
12June68	Participated in OPERATION HOUSTON 2 vicinity of Thua Thien Province, RVN	May68	31May68	<i>R. F. Webb</i> ByDir
27Jun68	Participated in OPERATION HOUSTON III vicinity of Thua Thien Province, RVN	1Jun68	30Jun68	<i>R. F. Webb</i> ByDir
17Jul68	Participated in OPERATION HOUSTON IV vicinity of Thua Thien Province, RVN	1Jul68	9Jul68	
		20Jul68	23Jul68	<i>R. F. Webb</i> ByDir
9Aug68	Participated in OPERATION MANEUVER TRUST vicinity of Quang Nam Province, RVN	9Jul68	19Jul68	
		24Jul68	23Oct68	<i>R. F. Webb</i> ByDir
28Oct68	Participated in operation Henderson Hill vicinity Quang Nam Province, RVN	23Oct68	6Dec68	
9Dec68	Participated in operation Taylor Common vicinity Quang Nam Province, RVN	7Dec68	8Mar69	<i>AS Smith</i> ByDir
690408	PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION MUSKOGEE MEADOW VICINITY OF QUANG NAM PROVINCE, RVN	690408		<i>W. Kerr</i> ByDir
			690420	<i>W. Kerr</i> BY DH