Philip Michael Hunt (1947 - 1969)

Philip Hunt was born on Jan 23, 1947. He was the son of Mrs. Audrey Petty of 486 Shy Lane, Chula Vista. He joined the Marine Corps in June 1968, and had attended Southwestern College prior to enlisting in the service. Besides his mother, PFC Hunt is survived by his father, Raymond Hunt, USMC (Ret), his stepfather, Robert Petty, grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Harry west, uncle Ted West, and cousins Valeri and Kenneth West.

While at Southwestern College, he worked part-time at the Broadway Department Store in Chula Vista. In December 12, 1968, he was sent to South Vietnam.

He was engaged to Cynthia Anderson, and their engagement had been announced in April of 1968 and they were scheduled to be married when he returned from his tour of duty in February 1970.

He served as a 0331 in the Marine Corps and reached the rank of PFC/E2. He was a machine gunner and was on a "Search and Destroy" mission near An Hoa, (Quang Nam) South Vietnam, when he was killed on March 4, 1969. He was serving with the 1st Marine Division, M Company, 3rd Battalion, 26 Marines, 2nd Platoon.

Services were held at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Chula Vista, and PFC Hunt will be interred at Glen Abbey Memorial Park. His name also appears at the San Diego Peace Memorial in Balboa Park and was also added to the Stardust Spacecraft in a NASA microchip as an outreach program. Further information can be found at: http://stardust.jpl.nasa.gov/overview/microchip/faq.html

