



### **Wilson E. Bibler Jr. (1946 – 1967)**

Wilson Bibler was born on 25 June 1946. His Social Security number was 559-64-3736 and it was issued in the state of California. He, his wife Sandra Lee, and son David Christopher, lived at 74 East Fortuna St, Chula Vista.

Wilson Bibler was a Medic for Company C, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 16<sup>th</sup> Infantry in the U. S. Army. His rank was SP4 (E4) and his service number was RA-19835690. He was married and 20 years old when he died in South Vietnam. The cause of his death is listed as due to Non-Hostile fire – suicide. He died on 24 February 1967 in South Vietnam while assigned to the First Cavalry Medic unit of the 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division (Big Red One). He was scheduled to return home after a year in Vietnam in May.

His had lived in Chula Vista, CA for 15 years, although he was born in New Jersey. He had attended Chula Vista High School and Mar Vista evening school while working at the South Coast Surfboard Company in Chula Vista. He left school before graduation to enter the service in March 1965. He received training at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio, Texas and had served eight months in Germany before volunteering for service in Vietnam.

Besides his wife and son, he is survived by three sisters and three step-sisters, his grandmother, Mrs. Myrtle Bibler and Aunt Winona Barnes of San Diego, and his step-mother, Mrs. Ora Bibler of Chula Vista. His name is listed on the Vietnam Wall in Washington DC at location 15 East, Row 82. He is buried at Ft. Rosecrans National Cemetery at location Section O, Site 3187. His name also appears on the San Diego Peace Memorial in Balboa Park His name 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>

