

Nha Trang AB

6253rd Air Police Squadron

NT, 6253 APS 14th SPS; PR 35th SPS; DN, 366th SPS

1965-1966; 1971

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Photo #1 (Nha Trang):

This is a shot of several of us getting ready to cross the river in order to get to the firing range. I am the tall one wearing the Ridgeway Hat with back to camera. I remember that me and another AP had to swim the river to retrieve the boat. While we were firing, someone had returned to boat to the pier, leaving us stranded. Names of the others in photo are unknown.

I have been emailing Ken Kirchner and he gave me some info on this photo.

Photo: The two APs pictured holding the rear of the boat (right) are; facing and in tiger stripes, Ken Kirchner and the AP with his back to the camera is Earl Mercer. The AP with his back to the camera and an ammo can in his hand, with a spare M60 barrel slung over his shoulder, is Willis 'Gary' Baird.

Photo #2 (Nha Trang):

We used to hit the beach nearly every morning after getting off midnight shift. It was a beautiful beach, and I'm sure that it still is. I would say Nha Trang's beach is on par with Cancun, Mexico. I am the second from the right without a shirt. Others are unknown.



Photo #3 (Nha Trang):

This was taken behind the hooches prior to moving into the new concrete barracks. Pictured with me (on left) is A2C Earl Mercer, who lived in the same hooch as I did.



Photo #4 (Nha Trang):

This was CSC in late 1965 just after I arrived in-country. As can be seen, our unit with the 6253rd Air Police Squadron. The following year it would become the 14th Air Police Squadron.

If my memory serves me, CSC consisted of a couple of conex boxes covered with sandbags. *Personnel are unknown.*

Photo #5 (Nha Trang):

This is me on an entry control point. This was downtown Nha Trang and was the entry point to an American hotel and club. I believe finance was also located in this building.



Photo #6 (Nha Trang):

Pictured is AIC Bolton, first name unknown. Again, this was at the firing range on the other side of the river. Others in photo are unknown.



Photo #7 (Nha Trang):

Another shot while at the firing range. The AP on the M60 is unknown. Standing is SSgt Roger Rude, NCOIC of the Armory.



Photo #8 (Nha Trang):

SSgt Roger Rude. I do not recall the name of the other person.



Photo #9 (Nha Trang):

A bunker building party in front of the new concrete barracks. This location was about 50 yards from the flight line which made it convenient to lift a case of C Rations and bring them back to the barracks. Any thing was better than the mess hall which served powdered, green eggs. Time has faded my memory as to the identities of those pictured.

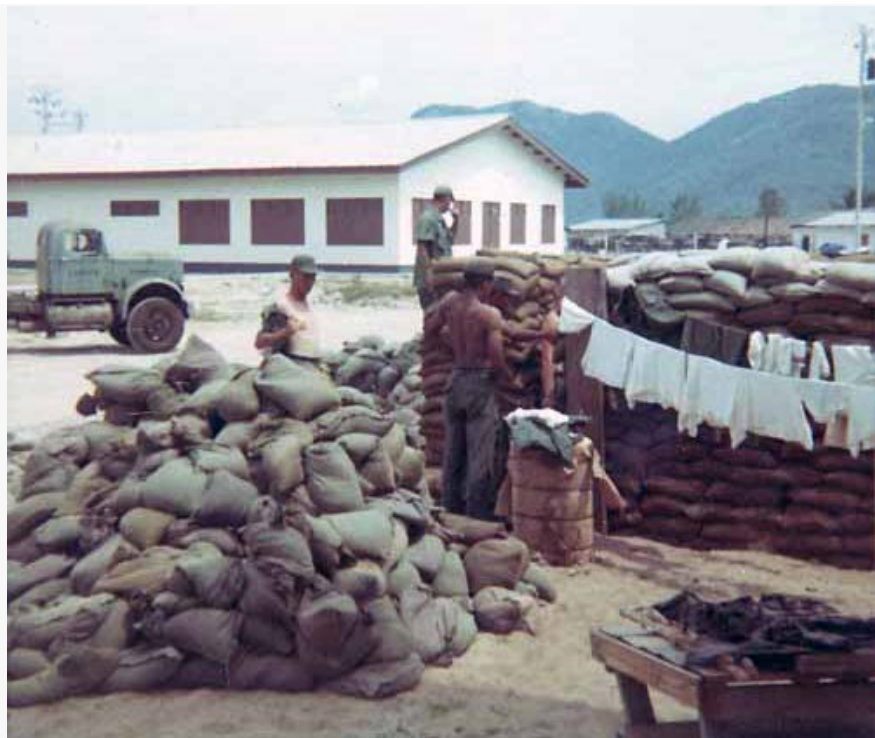
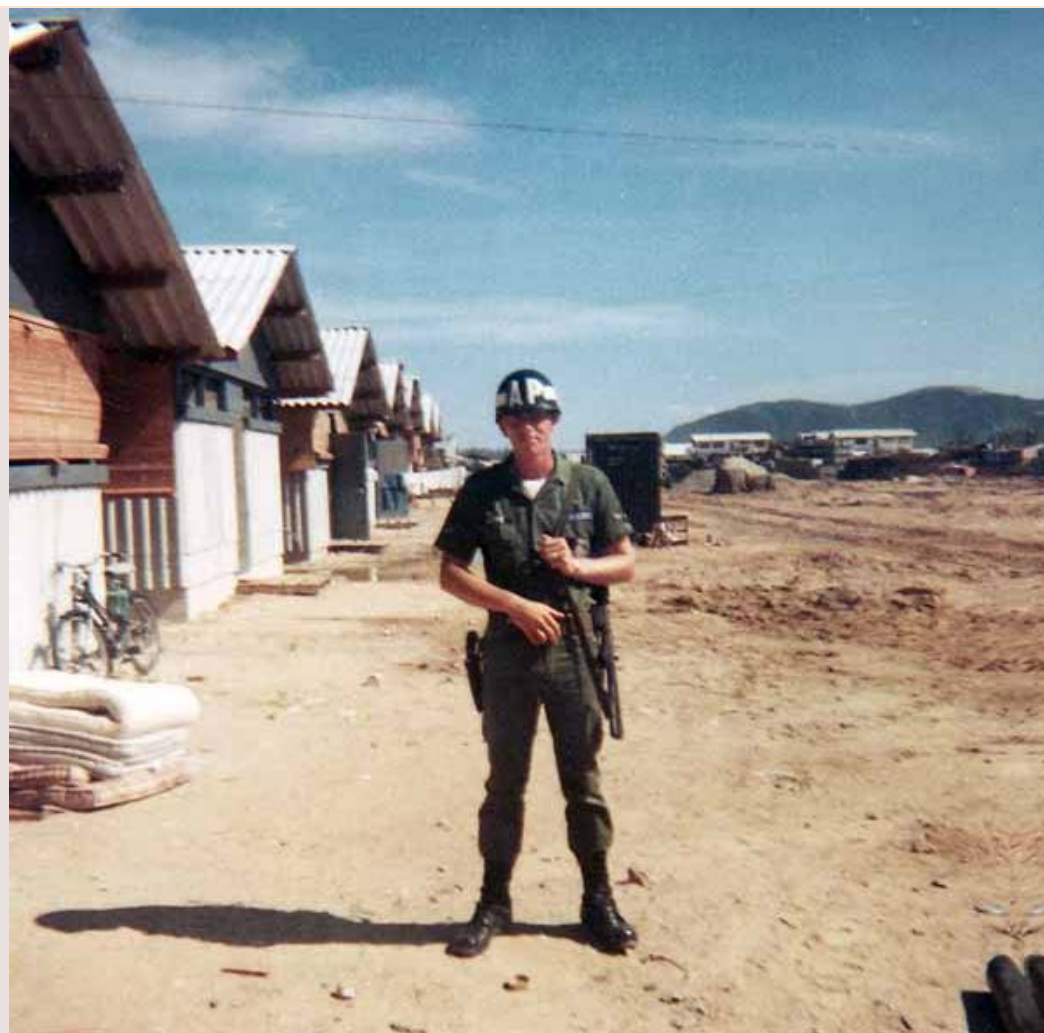


Photo #10 (Nha Trang, Long Van):

The Main Gate at Nha Trang Air Base (Long Van).

Photo #11 (Nha Trang):

This is me getting ready to go on duty. I must have been assigned to the Main Gate as I don't recall helmets being worn on any



other post. This was taken behind the hooches prior to the move to the concrete barracks. At the time of this photo we maintained our weapons in the hooches.

Photo #12 (Nha Trang):

Bunker.



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