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United States Air Force K9 Sentry Dogs and Handlers Killed In Action 1965-1970





1965: United States Air Force K9 Sentry Dogs and Handlers were the first U.S. military K9 fighting force in South Vietnam (USAF Operation TopDog45). The first and last K9 War Dogs Killed In Action were both USAF Sentry Dogs. From 1965 to 1972, 230 K9 military dogs from all services were KIA. 394 Handlers were Killed In Action, and five times those numbers were Wounded In Action. It is estimated that the dogs and handlers saved over 10,000 lives during the Vietnam War, and thus reduced the length of The Wall by 84 feet.

Of the nearly 4,900 dogs that served in Vietnam and Thailand ... only 204 returned home.

Date	K9 Name	K9 Tattoo	Squadron	K9	Handler	Name Handler
12/09/1965	PRINCE	182X	BH, 3rd SPS	KIA		(Unknown)
08/22/1966	LUDWICK	1X74	TSN, 377th SPS	KIA		(Unknown)
12/04/1966	REBEL		TSN, 377th SPS	KIA	KIA	Bevich Jr., George M.
12/04/1966	TOBY		TSN, 377th SPS	KIA	KIA	Fuller, Gary
12/04/1966	CUBBY	612E	BH, 3rd SPS	KIA		(Unknown)
09/12/1967	BOZO	9X40	TSN, 377th SPS	KIA		(Unknown)
01/11/1968	RENNY	A548	PR, 35th SPS	KIA		(Unknown)
01/31/1968	DIABLO	X313	BH, 3rd SPS	KIA		(Unknown)
02/28/1968	HUNDE	M145	BH, 3rd SPS	KIA	KIA	Boyd, James

01/26/1969	FRITZIE	763F	PR, 35th SPS	KIA		(Unknown)
02/22/1969	REX	5A77	PR, 35th SPS	KIA		(Unknown)
02/28/1969	FRITZ	999F	CRB, 12th SPS	KIA		(Unknown)
06/07/1969			PR, 35th SPS		KIA	Loftis, Joel
01/13/1970	KING	A642	UB RTAFB, 8th SPS	KIA		(Unknown)
12/16/1970	SAM	66A7	UT RTAFB, 635th SPS	S KIA		(Unknown)
01/21/1972	DUKE	84A2	BH, 3rd SPS	KIA		(Unknown)
05/13/1975			NKP, 56th SPS		KIA	Fritz, Gerald W.
05/13/1975			NKP, 56th SPS		KIA	Ilaoa, Faleagafula
05/13/1975			NKP, 56th SPS		KIA	London, Dennis W.

<u>Vietnam Dog Handler Association: Complete listing of Vietnam War Dogs and Handlers KIA</u>

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