

Former County Youth Is Vietnam War Dead

Pfc. Millard R. (Midge) Anderson, 18, of 2691 Shreve Rd. Wooster, a resident of RD 4, New Philadelphia, until 2 years ago, was killed in action Saturday night in Vietnam.

A son of Leal G. and Mary Carruthers Anderson of Wooster, he enlisted in the Army Sept. 16, 1968 and served as a radio-telephone operator since arriving in Vietnam Feb. 6.

He attended school at Midvale prior to his family moving to Wooster his sophomore year.

Surviving in addition to his parents are 2 brothers, Jim of RD 4, New Philadelphia, and Sgt. Robert of Ft. Campbell, Ky.; 4 sisters, Mrs. Charles (Linda) Nedrow of Wilmington, Calif., Mrs. William (Barbara) Fox of RD 4, New Philadelphia, and Sonja and Deborah of the home, and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Anderson of RD 4, New Philadelphia.

Arrangements are incomplete at Kaserman-Naylor Funeral Home pending arrival of the body.



MILLARD ANDERSON

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THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE 5, 1969

Pvt. Millard Anderson

Pvt. Millard R. Anderson, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leale G. Anderson of Wooster and cousin of Mrs. James Romine and Mrs. James Greenfield, both of Dresden, was killed in action Saturday in Vietnam. He was struck by sniper fire following the battle of Hamburger Hill.

Anderson was born in New Philadelphia Nov. 15, 1950, and attended school there until his family moved to Wooster. He was a member of Otterbein Methodist Church in New Philadelphia.

Surviving in addition to his parents are two brothers, Sgt. Robert Anderson, of Ft. Campbell, Ky., and James Anderson of New Philadelphia; four sisters, Sonja and Deborah of the home, Mrs. Charles (Linda) Nedrow of Wilmington, Ga., and Mrs. William (Barbara) Fox of New Philadelphia; and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Anderson of Goshen.

The body was taken to Kaserman-Naylor Funeral Home in New Philadelphia. Burial will be in that city.

November 16, 1969

Parents of Phila Viet War Victim Are Awarded Silver, Bronze Stars

A posthumous award ceremony was held today at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leale G. Anderson of 2691 Shreve rd., Wooster, former New Philadelphia residents until 2 years ago, for their son, Pfc. Millard R. (Midge) Anderson who was killed in Vietnam action last May.

Col. Joseph C. Greiner Jr., with the assistance of Cap. Kenneth R. Hutchison, presented the Silver Star, Bronze Star Medal with first oak leaf cluster, Purple Heart and Good Conduct medal to his parents.

The Silver Star was presented because of Pfc. Anderson's gallantry in action of May 24, 1969 while serving as a radio-telephone operator with Company D, 3rd Battalion, 1st infantry.

"Observing several wounded comrades fall in an exposed area, Pfc. Anderson rushed to their aid . . . Despite hostile fire . . . he was able to reach one injured soldier. He immediately administered first aid and carried the man to a secure position. With complete disregard for his personal safety, he returned . . . and as treating an injured man . . .

was mortally wounded."

The Bronze Star Medal with the first oak leaf cluster was posthumously awarded for heroism exhibited May 12.

The citation in part reads, "In the initial contact a forward element of the company was pinned down in an exposed area. With complete disregard for his personal safety, Pfc. Anderson began maneuvering against the enemy positions. Despite hostile fire . . . Anderson closed on the insurgents and silenced the hostile bunker with several well-

placed hand grenades. His courageous actions enabled his tile bunker with several well-comrades to take positions from which they could effectively engage the enemy."

Prior to his death, Anderson had been awarded the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal and the Veitnam Campaign Ribbon.

Anderson enlisted in the Army Sept. 16, 1968 and was killed May 24, 1969. He was 18 years old.