

# USMC Class 38<sup>th</sup> OCC/BC 3-66 Alumni Profiles



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**MOS:** 0302 / 0202 / 9953  
**Rank:** Major

**After leaving Quantico:** Drove to Treasure Island with Bob Stimson and awaited a plane

**Vietnam Tour:** 1959-1961; 1966-1967; 1970-1971  
**Attached To:** US Embassy (1959-1961); First MarDiv (1966-1967 & 1970-1971)  
**Jobs in Nam:** Recon Platoon Cmdr; S-2 Rifle Company Cmdr; Div Staff Officer  
**Locations in Nam:** Chu Lai and DaNang  
**Operations in Nam:** Too many to remember – I patrolled west of Chu Lai and DaNang in Recon and ran rifle company operations in D/1/1

### Experiences to Share:

**Best:**  
Never having any of my Marines killed  
impressed with my fellow officer candidates and how fast they learned things that had taken me much longer.

**Worst:**  
Didn't have any

### Favorite Memories:

**In Service:**  
Making regular officer 1966. Meeting my Drill Instructor –we were both officers then.

### After Service:

Finished college; working in computer technology industry; becoming a teacher; retiring; shooting on the USA veterans Long Range Rifle Team (2006-2007)

### Medals Received:

2 Bronze Stars, Viet Cross of Gallantry

### Jobs:

**In Service:**  
Platoon Cmdr A Co 1<sup>st</sup> Recon Bn (Vietnam); Platoon Cmdr/XO 2<sup>nd</sup> Force Recon, Camp Lejeune – Med Cruise; AWS, Quantico. (Back to Vietnam-Co D/1/1) I-I G/2/23, Los Alamitos, CA; MCRD San Diego Co A Co Recruit Training Bn; XO 1<sup>st</sup> RT Bn, Director DI School

### Other Comments:

I am still in contact with my Drill Instructor from Parris Island in 1955, he lives 50 miles north of me. I was fortunate to have served half my time as an officer and half as an enlisted Marine. I got a kick out of OCS, as a former drill instructor (MCRD, San Diego 1962-1964); it was fun to be back in the ranks again, most of the time I was laughing at myself acting like a recruit again. I was always most