

Capt Bourque, Valmore William

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C-123B 55-4549      315 TCG, USAF, Tan Son Nhut

Capt Edward Stephen Krukowski (KIA)

1Lt Valmore William Bourque (KIA)

1Lt Robert George Armstrong (KIA)

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SSgt Lawrence Woods, US Army,

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PFC Charles Pierce Sparks, US Army (KIA)

A Provider took off from Nha Trang to drop ammunition to an isolated Special Forces camp at Bu Prang close to the Cambodian border. During the mission it wandered over the border and was hit in the starboard engine by AAA from within Cambodia itself. The aircraft crashed with the loss of all on board a few miles from Phum Duk Dam just inside Cambodia. A second C-123 was damaged by ground fire on the same mission.

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