

Rank: Sergeant

Date of birth:

7 August 1947

Date of death: 13 February 1968

County: Knox

Hometown: Knoxville

Service Branch: Army

Division/Assignment: 12th Infantry, 25th Infantry Division

Conflict: Vietnam

Awards: Purple Heart, Gallantry Cross with Palm, Military Merit Medal

Burial/Memorial Location: Lynnhurst Cemetery, Knoxville, TN

Location In Memorial: Pillar XXIII, Middle Panel

Short Bio: Sergeant Larry Wayne was born on August 7, 1947, in Powell Tennessee. He served as an infantryman in the 25th Infantry Division (Tropic Lightning) 12th Infantry Battalion during the Vietnam war. His area of operation was in the Binh Duong vicinity, a part of the infamous Iron Triangle, an area known for its high intensity of combat action. His death on February 13, 1968, coincided with the Tet Offensive, a surprise campaign launched by both the Viet Cong and North Vietnamese Army to dislodge American forces in the Republic of South Vietnam. Awarded the Purple Heart and Bronze Star posthumously along with the honors of the Gallantry Cross with Palm by the Republic of South Vietnam in acknowledgement of his sacrifice.

Virtual Wall. "SGT Larry Wayne Barnard, Knoxville, TN." *The Virtual Wall®. Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall.* Accessed (today's date). Last updated August 15, 2019. Available at [VirtualWall.org](https://www.virtualwall.org).

Source Details:

- **Name:** Sergeant Larry Wayne Barnard
- **Unit:** B Company, 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry, 25th Infantry Division, USARV (Army of the United States)
- **Hometown:** Knoxville, Tennessee
- **Dates:** August 7, 1947 – February 13, 1968
- **Memorial Location:** Panel 39E, Line 17 on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial (Virtual Wall)
- **Circumstances:** Reported missing in action on February 13, 1968; body later recovered, identified, and declared killed in action on February 29, 1968. Survived by his mother Verena "Rena" (Nicely) (1917–1992), father Harrison "Red" Barnard (1912–1983), and a sister. He is

buried with his parents in Lynnhurst Cemetery, Knoxville, Knox County, Tennessee.

