

Cpl Kenneth B. Hawley

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HAWLEY, KENNETH B.

Oshkosh Man Killed in War

Marine Cpl. Kenneth B. Hawley Second of City to Die in Viet Nam

Marine Cpl. Kenneth B. Hawley, 26, was killed in action in Viet Nam Friday, according to a Marine Corps telegram received today by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford S. Hawley, 1312 Central St.

He is believed to be the second Oshkosh serviceman to die in the Viet Nam war.

The Marine Corps said that Cpl. Hawley, who was serving with the First Battalion, Fifth Marines, was killed in the vicinity of Tam Ky when he sustained a fragmentation wound in the left side of his chest from a hostile explosive device.

Scheduled to Return

Cpl. Hawley had completed 13 months of duty in Viet Nam and was scheduled to return to the United States early next month. He was expected home on furlough then.

A graduate of Oshkosh public schools, Cpl. Hawley was employed by the Morgan Company of Oshkosh for a short time before enlisting in the Marine Corps.

He was a member of Plymouth Congregational Church and of Florian Lampert Post No. 1908, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Seefeld Funeral Home following the arrival of a Marine escort with

the body, which is being flown from Viet Nam.

List of Survivors

Survivors, in addition to the parents, include four older brothers, Donald, Wayne, Gerald and David Hawley, all of Oshkosh; eight sisters, Mrs. Robert Behnke, Mrs. Carol Frank, Mrs. Janet Himmier, Mrs. Joyce Rasey, Mrs. Doris Sundquist and Mrs. Kathryn Tice, Oshkosh, and Mrs. Alice Wacheitl, Rockford, Ill., and Mrs. Ruth Anderson, who is with her husband at Eglin Air Force Base, Florida. Also surviving are 26 nieces and nephews.

The first Oshkosh casualty in Viet Nam was Pfc. Orland O. Bearwald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bearwald, 306 W. 15th Ave. Pfc. Bearwald died in September, 1965, as the result of sniper fire.

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Lest we forget

By HOWARD MARKS
Staff Writer

Eighteen Winnebago County men who have given their lives in the Vietnam War join the other men and women from this county who had made the supreme sacrifice for their country in other wars.

They heroically served when called upon. It is fitting that they, especially, should be remembered on this Memorial Day.

Here, all too briefly, are the stories of how these men of Winnebago County died, presented chronologically:

Marine Pfc. Orland O. Baerwald, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Baerwald, 306 W. 15th Ave. Died Sept. 8, 1965, in a military hospital in the Philippines after being seriously wounded in the abdomen by sniper fire while driving an Army vehicle. He was a member of the first battalion of the 18th Infantry. His mother was at his bedside when he died.

Marine Pfc. Ronald E. Jahnke, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jahnke, 116 Abbey Ave., Menasha. Killed in action Jan. 8, 1966. He was hit in the left chest while on a resupply mission to a company position near Da Nang.

Marine Cpl. Albin A. Baranczyk, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albin Baranczyk, 200 Matthewson St., Menasha. Killed in action May 17, 1966, near Chu Lai while a member of the second battalion of the Fifth Marines, First Division.

Marine Cpl. Kenneth Hawley, 26, son

of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hawley, 1312 Central St. Killed in action Aug. 12, 1966, while serving with the first battalion, Fifth Marines in the vicinity of Tam Ky. He sustained a fragmentation wound in the left side of his chest from a hostile explosive device.

Army Spec. 4 Daniel H. Kasten, 22, son of Merlin Kasten, 844 Wisconsin St. Killed in action May 7, 1967 when an exploding mine demolished the vehicle in which he was riding.

Army Pfc. Paul E. Manske, 20, whose widow Diane lives at 1629 Elmwood Ave.; son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Manske, 624 Waugoo Ave. Killed in action May 13, 1967, by hostile automatic weapon fire while securing a tank at a junction.

Marine Pfc. James T. Dobish, 20, son of Mrs. Michael Dobish, 31 W. 11th Ave. Killed in action May 20, 1967, by hostile fire in the vicinity of Quang Tri.

Army Pfc. Charles Krueger, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lynus Krueger, 1379 Bonnie Drive, Menasha. Killed in action May 31, 1967, while serving with the infantry.

Army Spec. 4 Donald Last, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Last, 1138 Jackson St. Killed in action July 10, 1967, after being struck by small arms fire on patrol with the 199th Infantry Brigade. Posthumous recipient of the Military Merit Medal, the Gallantry Cross with Palm, and the Bronze Star for Valor with "V".

According to the Army, Last was awarded the Bronze Star for his heroism on the night of May 10, 1967. His "patrol was attempting to cross an open area when they came under intense small arms, automatic weapons and M79 grenade launcher fire from an unknown number of Viet Cong.

"Last began returning effective fire on the insurgents. Disregarding the hail of surrounding fire he placed suppressive fire on the Viet Cong, allowing his comrades to withdraw to a woodline and set up a defensive position. Last continued in his courageous actions until he fell mortally wounded.

"Last's heroic actions and personal bravery in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit upon himself, the 199th Infantry Brigade, and the United States Army."

Army Sgt. James R. Fischer, 21, whose widow lives at 805 E. Parkway Ave. Killed in action July 23, 1967, by metal fragment wounds while in combat.

Army Pfc. Richard Mehne, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mehne, 1012 Waugoo Ave. Killed in action Nov. 8, 1967, in fierce fighting between his Fourth Infantry unit and North Vietnamese troops near Dak To on the Cambodian border.

Army Spec. 4 John P. Paulson Jr., 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Paulson Sr., 223 E. Peckham, Neenah. Killed in action

after receiving multiple fragment wounds while on night defense perimeter patrolling. He was struck by a fragment from a hostile grenade.

Army Sgt. James J. Lind, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lind, 1833 Jackson St. Killed in action Jan. 5, 1968, by shrapnel while in combat.

Marine Pfc. Chris Langenfeld, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Langenfeld, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, formerly of 1504 W. Fifth Ave. Killed in action Jan. 27, 1968, in Quang Tri province by rifle fire.

Army Second Lt. Leon G. Greshamer, son of Mrs. Eva Greshamer, 144 Wright St., Neenah. Listed as missing in action Jan. 27, 1968. His last letter indicated he was near the area where the Laotian and Cambodian border intersects Vietnam.

Army Spec. 4 Gene Howard, 24, his wife lives in Amherst Junction. Killed in action April 2, 1968 as a crewman in a transportation corps helicopter hit by enemy fire.

Army Spec. 4 Thomas F. Dazey Jr., 23, son of Mrs. Alice Leach, 167 Dennhardt Ave., Neenah. Killed in action April 16, 1968, by enemy mortar shells while serving with the sixth battalion of the 84th Artillery regiment.

Marine Lance Cpl. Steven L. Zobel, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Garbe, Larsen. Died May 21, 1968, of injuries received in an accident in the vicinity of Quang Tri.



Baranczyk



Dobish



Greshamer



Jahnke



Krueger



Last



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Oshkosh Marine Is in Viet Nam

Marine Corp. Kenneth B. Hawley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford S. Hawley of 1312 Central St., Oshkosh, is serving in the Hue Phu Bai sector of Viet Nam with the 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines, an infantry regiment of the 3rd Marine Division. He arrived in Viet Nam with his battalion in September. The 2nd Battalion is a part of the Seventh Fleet's Special Landing Force.

Local Marine's Battalion Is Honored

Marine Pfc. Kenneth B. Hawley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford S. Hawley of 1312 Central St., Oshkosh, is serving with a Marine battalion landing team which was awarded a plaque recently for assisting in flood relief operations in South Viet Nam.

The plaque was presented to his unit by South Viet Nam's Deputy Prime Minister Oanh.

Hawley's unit aided in airlifting of bread, flour, soybeans, cottonseed oil and clothing to several provincial distribution centers. The flood was the worst in over 100 years in South Viet Nam.

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1. NAME OF DECEASED - LAST - FIRST - MIDDLE (Print or Type) Hawley, Kenneth B. <i>HAWLEY KENNETH BRUCE</i>		14. NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY (Print or Type) Oshkosh, Wisconsin Lake View Memorial Park	
2. SERVICE NUMBER 2053181		3. PENSION OR VA CLAIM NUMBER	
4. ENLISTMENT DATE (Month, day, year) April 11 1963		5. DISCHARGE DATE (Month, day, year) April 1967	
6. STATE Wisconsin		7. DECORATIONS (over) 1 *	
8. GRADE OR RANK Cpl.		9. BRANCH OF SERVICE, COMPANY, REGIMENT, DIVISION A CO 1st BN 5th Mar. 1st Mar. Div. U. S. Marines (Rim) FMP	
10. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, day, year) November 12, 1939		11. DATE OF DEATH (Month, day, year) August 12, 1966	
12. RELIGIOUS EMBLEM (Check one)		13. CHECK TYPE REQUIRED	
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☐ STAR OF DAVID (Hebrew)		☐ FLAT MARBLE MARKER	
☒ NO EMBLEM		☐ FLAT GRANITE MARKER	
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NAME OF APPLICANT (Print or Type) Clifford Hawley		RELATIONSHIP Father	
ADDRESS OF APPLICANT (Street address, City and State) 1312 Central St. Oshkosh, Wisconsin			
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT <i>Clifford Hawley</i>		DATE August 25, 1966	
17. NAME OF CONSIGNEE WHO WILL TRANSPORT STONE OR MARKER Henry Hoppe Argona Blvd. Oshkosh, Wisconsin 54001 Lake View Memorial Park			
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SIGNATURE OF CONSIGNEE			

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