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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

The records show that the late Gunnery Sergeant George Percy KENDALL, Jr., 110 32 92, U. S. Marine Corps, born 16 February 1930 at Missoula, Montana, enlisted in the regular Marine Corps on 30 March 1950 and was honorably discharged on 16 July 1953 to reenlist in the regular Marine Corps. He reenlisted on 17 July 1953 and was honorably discharged on 16 July 1955 by reason of expiration of enlistment. He reenlisted in the regular Marine Corps on 10 December 1958 and was honorably discharged on 9 December 1963 to reenlist in the regular Marine Corps. He reenlisted on 10 December 1963 and served continuously until his death on 4 February 1968 while engaged in action against hostile forces in the Republic of Vietnam.

The records further show service in the Montana National Guard from 21 November 1955 to 20 October 1957 and in the U. S. Army Reserve from 21 October 1957 to 9 December 1958, service number 02287088/28722068.

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GUNNERY SERGEANT GEORGE P. KENDALL 110 32 92 USMC

Silver Star Medal		Vietnam
Purple Heart	KIA 4Feb68	Vietnam
Combat Action Ribbon		Vietnam
Rifle Requalification Bar	1950-59-62	USMC
Presidential Unit Citations with Ribbon bar and one bronze star	Sep-Oct 1950 1951*	Korea 1stMarDiv. 1stMAW *
Navy Unit Commendation	1965-1968	Vietnam III MAF
Army Distinguished Unit Citation with Emblem	1950	Korea 1stMAW
Good Conduct Medal with two bronze stars	1950-1953 1958-1962 1962-1965	USMC
Navy Occupation Service Medal with Europe clasps	1952 1954 1954-1955	USS MIDWAY USS CHILTON USS LATIMER
Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal	1962	Thailand BLT 3/9
National Defense Service Medal with one star	1950-1954 & 1961-1968	
Korean Service Medal with three bronze stars	1950-1951	Korea
United Nations Service Medal	1950-1951	Korea
Korean Presidential Unit Citations	1950 1950-1951 1951-1953	Korea, 1stMD 1stMAW 1stMAW
Vietnam Service Medal with one star	1967-1968	Vietnam
Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with device	1967-1968	Vietnam

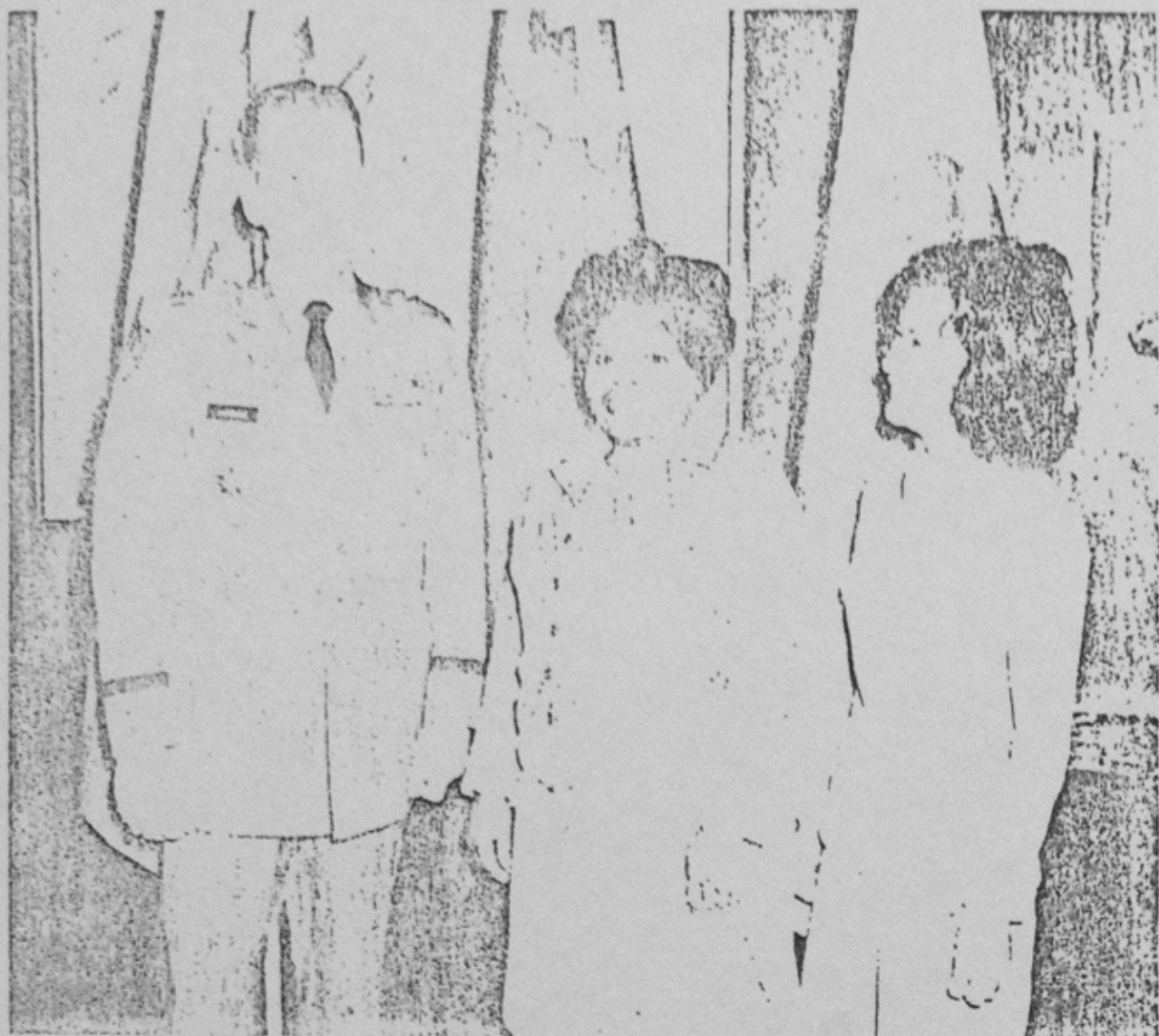
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Dedication at DLI

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gilbert (left) view plaque dedicated yesterday at Company B Barracks at the Defense Language Institute in memory of their son, Marine Sgt. George P. Kendall Jr., who was killed in action Feb. 4, 1968 while

serving in Vietnam. The building officially became Kendall Hall in a dedication ceremony conducted by Col. Kibbey M. Horne, DLI commandant. A 1967 graduate, Kendall earned the Silver Star and the Purple Heart.



FLAGS PRESENTED TO DLIWC

The DLIWC Womens' Club presented a set of 24 international flags to the school June 2. According to Mrs. Harold V. Manson, club president, the need for the flags was brought to her attention by the Presidio of Monterey Service Club.

The languages taught at DLIWC were used as a basis for the selection of the flags to be purchased.

Shown left at the ceremony are Colonel Kibbey M. Horne, commandant, Mrs. Manson and Miss Lalorie Chung who heads the POM Service Club.

KENDALL HALL DEDICATED

In a special ceremony held here June 1 the Company B Barracks officially became Kendall Hall. Named in honor of Marine Gunnery Sergeant George P. Kendall, Jr. the structure is one of several scheduled to be dedicated at the Presidio of Monterey to former DLIWC students who died as a result of hostile action in Vietnam.

Speaking at the ceremony Colonel Kibbey M. Horne, commandant, said, "It is appropriate that our buildings be named for our distinguished graduates who died while serving our country valiantly."

GySgt. Kendall was killed in action Feb. 4, 1968. While in Vietnam he added to his numerous awards and decorations the Silver Star, the Purple Heart and the Combat Action Ribbon. He graduated from the Vietnamese language course in 1967.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gilbert, parents of GySgt. Kendall, were present to unveil the memorial plaque which is mounted on the wall at building 629 which houses Company B. Also present for the ceremony was Mrs. Dean Macy, sister of GySgt. Kendall.

Master of Ceremonies for the event was Lieutenant Colonel Harold V. Manson, deputy commandant for administration.

Guests for the ceremony included representatives from the Marine Corps, members of Troop Command and members of Company B.

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