E5 James E. Campbell Pennsylvania National Guard Served July 1978 - July 1994



When LaVerne and Elsie Campbell started their family, they knew that military service was important in their family's history but they didn't expect that they would have 8 children and all 5 of their sons would become active in military service to the United States of America. LaVerne Campbell Sr. was in the military and was proud that his sons followed in his footsteps.

E5 James (Jim) E. Campbell of Mercer, PA proudly served his country through the Pennsylvania National Guard, Battery A 1/229th, Field Artillery in Grove City, PA and served from July 1978 until July 18, 1994 when he died in a tragic work related incident. E5 Campbell served at the same time, in the same unit, with his four brothers.

Campbell's service included patrol in May 1985 to Wheatland, PA following the devastating tornados that ripped through the Mercer County area. Although Jim volunteered for Dessert Storm, he never had the privilege of serving that mission.

E5 Campbell is survived by his wife, Becky Jones Campbell, two sons, Nick Leech and Alex Campbell and five siblings, Robert (Bob) Campbell, Louise (Campbell) Hockenberry, Lyle (Bud) Campbell, Carmen Campbell, and Jay Campbell. Extended family and friends continue to cherish his memory.