SANDERS, Thomas A.
Class of 1961
First Lieutenant

- killed on 7 July 1965 as a pilot in an O-1F accident in South Vietnam
- taking off from Camp Holloway for a familiarization flight near Pleiku (he was new in the area) when the plane crashed suddenly
- unconscious when taken from wreckage and died without regaining consciousness en route to the 8th Field Hospital in Nha Trang
- as a cadet, made the Superintendent's Merit List three semesters and served as a flight commander
- previously President of the National Honor Society Chapter
- known for his enthusiasm for his work, outstanding performance, and earned the respect of others
- name is on the USAFA War Memorial

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