1Lt Watson, Donald David 31 July 1965

F-l00D 55-2837 481 TFS, 27 TFW attached to 6250 CSG, USAF, Tan Son Nhut

1Lt Donald David Watson (KIA)

The last USAF aircraft lost in what was the costliest month of the war so far was an F- 100 that crashed as it was dropping napalm on a VC headquarters north of Saigon. On 19/20 July 1Lt Watson had taken part in a dangerous night attack in poor weather on enemy forces that were storming the Bu Dop Special Forces Camp. He was awarded the DFC for this mission but never lived to collect it.

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