



KIA Incident: 19510919

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Brothers (& Sisters) Killed in Action in USMC Helicopters or while assigned to USMC Helicopter or Tiltrotor Squadrons

19510919 VMO-6 (FW) Korea

Incident Date 19510919 VMO-6 (FW) L-19A BuNo 50-1728 - - Crashed in River on Takeoff

[CREW]

Russell, Robert John MSgt AO VMO-6 (FW) 1stMarDiv(reinf)/10thArmyCorps 1951-09-19

ROBERT JOHN RUSSELL :
6 VMO SQDN 1 MAW :
MARINES :
HOSTILE, DIED (KIA) :
DATE OF LOSS SEPTEMBER 20, 1951 :
MSGT - E8 :
357463 :
MOS ----- :
WANBLEE, SD :
PLACE OF LOSS - UNKNOWN LOCATION :
BORN DECEMBER 23, 1919 :

CAUCASIAN :
KOREAN WAR PROJECT KEY NO 26061 :
DATE OF FINAL STATUS (SEPTEMBER 20, 1951) :
Body Recovered

Comments: 3

"History of Marine Observation Squadron Six"

"On 19 September Master Sergeant Robert J. Russell and his observer Major Douglas K. Morton crashed on takeoff when the engine of their OE-1 stopped. Upon impact the aircraft burst into flames. Major Morton was evacuated to a hospital in the United States, but Master Sergeant Russell received second and third-degree burns which proved fatal." **Submitted by:** History and Museums Division, USMC, Historian, USMC Combat Helicopter Association, 20060109

KORWALD Loss Incident Summary

Date of Loss: 510919
Tail Number: 50-1728
Aircraft Type: L-19A
Wing or Group: 1st MAW
Squadron: VMO-6
Circumstances of Loss: Crashed on take-off in the river at Sinchon

Crewmembers Associated With This Loss

Name
(Last, First Middle) Rank Service Status Comments
MORTAN, Douglas K. MAJ USMC INJ
RUSSELL, Robert J. MSGT USMC RCV

Submitted by: Alan H Barbour, Historian, USMC Combat Helicopter Association, 20060108

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