



SERGEANT MAJOR FREDERICK EDWARD SMITH, USA
US ARMY VETERAN
SECTION A; PLOT 4A; GRAVE 19G



Sergeant Major Frederick E. Smith, born in West Virginia, March 2, 1942, was a 30 year veteran who served in the Army Special Forces (Green Berets). He died January 12, 2011 of heart failure. During his long and distinguished career in the US Military, he served in the 82d Airborne Division, the 173d Airborne Brigade, as well as the 1st, 5th, and 10th Special Forces Groups. His multiple combat tours in Vietnam included service in 5th SFG and MACSOG.

He was a well decorated warrior earning the Silver Star; Legion of Merit; Bronze Star with V and Oak Leaf Cluster (OLC); Purple heart; Meritorious Service Medal (with 1 OLC); Joint Service Commendation Medal; Army Commendation Medal (with 1 OLC); Army Achievement Medal; Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Silver Star; Combat Infantryman's Badge; Aircraft Crewman's Badge; Master Parachutist Badge; Military Free fall Badge; Combat Divers Badge, and the Special Forces Tab. In addition, he was awarded parachute wings by the Republic of Vietnam and the Kingdom of Thailand.

