

Dorwyn "Dee" Shaver

F-105 History

02-Jun-67

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Wild Weasel Class 67WWIII-13 began training at the 4537 FWS at Nellis AFB, Nevada. The class had four crews and was the first Nellis class scheduled to receive Radar Bombing training for Commando Nail assignments to Korat. They were scheduled to complete training on 28 August 1967.

"Two officers from the 4537 FWS participated in COMBAT BULLSEYE (EWO Radar Bombing from an F-105F). The successful completion of the test provided a basis for expansion of Wild Weasel combat operations in SEA."

The class consisted of:

Lt Col Dorwyn D. Shaver (WW# 365) pilot
Maj Oscar M. Dardeau (WW# 366) pilot
Capt John W. Gross (WW# 367) pilot
Capt Emmett E. Ott (WW# 369) pilot
Capt Thomas J. McGuire IV (WW# 368) EWO
Capt Anatole Radko (WW# 370) EWO
Capt Howard O. Tyson (WW# 371) EWO
1Lt Alfred T. Barnard (WW# 372) EWO

All were assigned to the 13 TFS at Korat in September 1967.

History of the Tactical Fighter Weapons Center, 1 January - 30 June 1967, pages 45 and 48 & Wild Weasel Class database.

22-Feb-68

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"Simmer" flight from the 34 TFS flew a morning mission into Laos. They took off at 0625. Their flight line up was:

#1 - Maj Spence M. "Sam" Armstrong flying F-105D 60-0409
#2 - Bob Moore [???)
#3 - Maj Kenneth W. Mays flying his 99th combat mission
#4 - Lt Col Dorwyn D. Shaver

This was Maj Armstrong's 72nd mission. "We made a radar drop on a target in Laos, east of Sam Nuea. There was fog and stratus in the valley so we couldn't assess our bombs. L/C Shaver had one bomb hang up and we had to jettison the bomb and rack in Pack III. We practiced some on the way home and that was it. Pretty easy." Their mission lasted for 2 hours 30 minutes.

Maj Armstrong's 100-mission combat log, pg 28.

23-Apr-68

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The 34 TFS, 388 TFW, launched "Crossbow" flight from Korat. The lineup was:

#1 - Capt William A. Thomas, Jr.
#2 - Capt Joseph S. Sechler flying his 35th combat mission. He logged 2:50 flying time.
#3 - Lt Col Rufus Dye, Jr. flying his 67th mission. (NOTE: His Mission History date was 22 Apr 68.)
#4 - Lt Col Dorwyn D. Shaver

They attacked a storage area in northern Laos. "100 %. Road cut. 37 MM." They then flew armed recce in RP-1. "No significant sightings."

Joe Sechler, mission log via e-mail 28 Apr 10 & Rufus Dye Mission History log.

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31-Aug-68

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The 388 TFW history listed the aircrews assigned to the 34 TFS and the number of sorties each had flown as of the end of August 1968.

34 TFS	Sorties	Counters
Lt Col Klingensmith	59	43
Maj Langford	91	86
Capt Barr	84	67
Capt Sechler	105	87
Capt Murphy	107	97
Lt Col Christensen	118	105
Maj Roysdon	109	89
Capt J. Hartman	116	94
Col Douglas	47	43
Capt Durnbaugh	65	56
Maj Goodrich	115	97
Maj Matthews	75	61
Capt William A. Thomas, Jr.	109	104
Capt Ahrens	79	59
Lt Col Dye	114	101
Capt Germann	97	86
Capt Thatcher	34	29
Maj Shunney	107	95
Capt Brooks	80	66
Capt Bogemann	115	97
Capt Fuhrman	118	99
Lt Col Shaver	80	66
1Lt Confer	33	28
Capt Pharmer	114	99 (Had flown 100 missions by the end of Aug)
Capt Durkee	111	99 (Had flown 100 missions by the end of Aug)
Capt Everett	69	56
Lt Col Ross	122	108
Col Stewart	118	110
Capt Bell	70	57
Maj White	75	58
1Lt Venturi	36	29
1Lt Hoffmeyer	38	33
Capt Ducton	31	27
Capt Crouch	32	27
Lt Col Bancroft	20	16
Maj Colasuonno	33	29
1Lt Stafford	34	31
1Lt D. Hartman	33	27
Lt Col Glass	6	6
Maj Holly	4	3
Maj Knapp	8	5

388 TFW History, July - Sep 68, USAF microfilm NO585, frames 0250 - 0251.

30-Oct-68

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During October 1968, twenty-one pilots from the 34 TFS and 469 TFS received medals approved by 7 AF. They were:

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Maj Ivor K. Goodrich DFC SO G-3158 23 Oct 68 (8 Mar - 3 Sep 68) and AM (1 - 9 OLC) SO G-3275 23 Oct 68 (8 Mar - 3 Sep 68)
Capt Kenneth G. Lindell DFC SO G-3160 17 Oct 68 (14 Jul 68)
1Lt David T. Dinan III DFC SO G-3161 17 Oct 68 (14 Jul 68)
Capt Richard E. Tracey DFC SO G-3169 17 Oct 68 (15 Jul 68)
Maj Albert F. Oppel AM SO G-3245 23 Oct 68 (25 Aug - 19 Sep 68)
Maj Manford C. Holly, Jr. AM SO G-3246 23 Oct 68 (25 Aug -16 Sep 68)
Capt Barry G. Swarts AM SO G-3250 23 Oct 68 (29 Aug - 21 Sep 68)
Capt John S. Murphy AM (1 - 9 OLC) SO G-3273 23 Oct 68 (3 Mar - 24 Sep 68)
Maj Douglas A. Roysdon AM (10 - 19 OLC) SO G-3278 23 Oct 68 (24 Feb - 2 Oct 68)
Maj Clarence E. Langford AM (1 - 9 OLC) SO G-3281 23 Oct 68 (29 Mar - 26 Sep 68)
Capt Jack D. Brooks AM (1 - 6 OLC) SO G-3284 23 Oct 68 (24 Apr - 5 Sep 68)
Capt Anthony F. Germann AM (1 - 9 OLC) SO G-3286 23 Oct 68 (4 Mar - 1 Oct 68)
Capt Douglas R. Young AM (18 OLC) SO G-3286 23 Oct 68 (26 Aug 15 - Sep 68)
Lt Col Dorwyn D. Shaver AM (22 - 26 OLC) SO G-3289 23 Oct 68 (30 Sep 67 - 14 Aug 68)
Lt Col John J. Gaudion AM (10 OLC) SO G-3291 23 Oct 68 (6 Sep - 23 Sep 68)
Lt Col Isaac M. Glass AM (1 OLC) SO G-3291 23 Oct 68 (25 Aug - 29 Sep 68)
Lt Col Rufus Dye, Jr. DFC (4 OLC) SO G-3023 5 Oct 68 (8 Jun 68) downgraded from SS
Capt Lamont H. Pharmeder DFC (2 OLC) SO G-3024 5 Oct 68 (9 Jun 68) downgraded from SS
Capt Darrell J. Ahrens AM (1 OLC) SO G-3032 5 Oct 68 (1 Jun 68) downgraded from DFC
Maj Sterling H. Wood AM (1 OLC) SO G-3032 5 Oct 68 (30 May 68)
Capt John E. Hartman AM (1 - 9 OLC) SO G-3092 10 Oct 68 (23 Feb 67 - 5 Feb 68)

388 TFW History, Oct - Dec 68, USAF microfilm NO585, frames 1767 - 1768.

11-May-69

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Lt Col Dorwyn D. Shaver died in an automobile accident in Las Vegas NV.

Butch Shaver (son) e-mails, 22 and 27 Feb 11.