

## APPENDIX B. AUTHORS' BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

**213017 Second Lieutenant Robert William Askew, aged 26, of Guildford, New South Wales.** Australian Regular Army – helicopter pilot of 161 (Independent) Reconnaissance Flight; he was awarded a Queen's Commendation for Brave Conduct. He enlisted as a soldier in 1959 and was commissioned after qualifying as an army pilot. Post-Vietnam his military flying appointments included an exchange posting with the British Army in Malaysia. After resigning as a captain in 1970 his civilian aviation career included flying helicopters, small and large VIP jets and airliners throughout Australia, Papua New Guinea (PNG), South-East Asia and the Middle East. As a senior aircraft captain, his passengers included the Prince and Princess of Wales and Middle Eastern royalty, presidents, prime ministers and other potentates; and he was seconded from Air Niugini to the PNG Prime Minister's Department for four years of world-wide assignments.

**54154 Captain Peter Clive Aspinall, aged 24, of Sydney, New South Wales.** Australian Regular Army – 103 Field Battery forward observer with A and B Companies. An Officer Cadet School, Portsea, graduate (June 1961) with a 29-year career in unit, training and staff postings. Leaving the army in Sydney 1988, he gained a postgraduate qualification in strategic marketing leading to a position in the International Marketing Institute of Australia. He returned to the financial services sector prior to retiring to the Blue Mountains in 2000. In 2003 he relocated to his home town of Albany in Western Australia where he has served as president of the Albany Aero Club, the Albany Returned and Services League (RSL) sub-branch and chair of the Albany Centenary of ANZAC Alliance. Currently president of RSL Western Australia, he was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia in 2018.

**17089 Captain Ronald William Bade, aged 24, of Brisbane, Queensland.** Australian Regular Army – second in command of A Company and, subsequently, acting as officer commanding Administration Company, 5 RAR (5th Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment). Graduating from the Royal Military College, Duntroon, in 1963, his career spanned 28 years, retiring as a colonel. He graduated into the Royal Australian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (RAEME) and, in 1966, he was seconded to infantry and posted to 5 RAR. Post-Vietnam he returned to RAEME. He is a graduate of the British Royal Military College of Science and the Australian Joint Services Staff College. He held senior appointments in the army's Logistic Command, including commanding officer of 4 Base Workshop Battalion, and in the Maintenance Engineering Agency. Post-army he joined Kodak as logistics manager in Melbourne, Singapore and Hong Kong until retiring in 2004.

**235167 Captain George Bindley, aged 29, of Sydney, New South Wales.** Australian Regular Army – battery captain of 103 Field Battery. A 1959 Royal Military College, Duntroon, graduate, his early postings included two years with the British 26 and 45 Field Regiments in Malaya and a tour of duty in Vietnam. Returning to Australia in 1967, on promotion to major, he was appointed Artillery Instructor, Senior Instructor of Military Arts Wing and Coordinator of Training at the Officer Cadet School. On resigning from the regular army in 1970, he transferred to the Citizen Military Force and joined a prominent stockbroking firm in Melbourne as a private client adviser. In 1977 he became a director of the Capel Court Corporation and, in 1984, managing director of ANZCAP Management. Since 1990 he has been principal and director of his family business.

**14967 Captain Ronald Edward Boxall, aged 25, of Toowoomba, Queensland.** Australian Regular Army – second in command of D Company, 5 RAR. An Officer Cadet School graduate (December 1959), leading to a 31-year army career. His early appointments were mostly in infantry battalions and army schools. He completed a second tour of Vietnam in 1971 as a rifle company commander with 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) and was awarded the South Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry. A graduate of Australian and Canadian defence staff colleges, his mid-career postings included concepts and doctrine development staff appointments. Following these he became chief instructor of the Infantry Centre and then chief instructor of the army's Command and Staff College. In 1983, on promotion to colonel, he was appointed the first director of

military education and training at the Australian Defence Force Academy after which he was promoted to brigadier and appointed commander of 4 Military District. Then followed his only appointment in Army Office, Canberra, as deputy chief of operations until he left the army in 1990. Post-army, he was a businessman and held several tyre industry company directorships and chairmanships until retirement in 2006.

**61597 Lieutenant Barry John Campbell, aged 30, of St Helens, Tasmania.** Joined the Australian Regular Army on completing national service in 1955. He served in the Malayan Emergency 1957–59 and was commissioned in 1964. He was awarded the Royal Humane Society's Stanhope Gold Medal in 1965 for saving a life. He deployed to Vietnam in 1966 with 1 Field Regiment as survey officer and then as forward observer attached to D Company, 5 RAR. He completed a second tour in Vietnam as battery captain and, subsequently, battery commander of 106 Battery in 1970–71, for which he was Mentioned in Dispatches (MID). Post-Vietnam, he served in various appointments including on the Australian Army Staff, London. He graduated from the Army Staff College in 1973. In 1981, as a lieutenant colonel, he left the army and worked for Hawker de Havilland (Australia) until retiring in 1992.

**18548 Captain James Douglas Campbell, aged 28, of Gympie, Queensland.** Australian Regular Army – helicopter pilot of 161 Independent Reconnaissance Flight. Trained as a motor mechanic at the Army Apprentice School in 1954–56, he served with 1 RAR during the Malayan Emergency in 1959. Selected for flying training in 1961, he graduated first in his course at Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) Point Cook and completed training as a helicopter pilot at RAAF Amberley in June 1962, when he was commissioned and posted to 16 Army Light Aircraft Squadron. Later that year he flew for the UN in Irian Jaya. He qualified as an Iroquois instructor in the United States and returned to be a helicopter instructor with 16 Army Light Aircraft Squadron in 1964. In 1966–67 he was the rotary wing section commander in 161 Independent Reconnaissance Flight, part of 1 ATF (1st Australian Task Force). For his performance during numerous hazardous missions he was awarded the first Distinguished Flying Cross of the Vietnam War. Postwar he had a wide range of flying and non-flying appointments and graduated from the Australian Staff College in 1975. Leaving the army in 1980, he was involved in setting up and operating three permanent helicopter rescue services on the Sunshine Coast, the Gold Coast and at Bundaberg. The recipient of many awards for community service, in

retirement he has continued his involvement in a wide range of activities and still competes in outrigger paddling titles at both state and national levels.

**52680 Major Owen Maxwell Carroll, aged 35, of Perth, Western Australia.** Australian Regular Army – 5 RAR's operations officer (while also commanding Support Company) and, later, commanded A Company. A 1953 graduate of the Officer Cadet School, Portsea, he previously had served as a rifle platoon and tracker team commander in 3 RAR during the Malayan Emergency and was MID. He graduated from the Army Staff College in 1965 and was immediately posted to 5 RAR. Post-Vietnam, he served on loan to the Malaysian Army, and as an instructor at the Officer Cadet School, Portsea, and the Royal Military College, Duntroon. He held multiple staff appointments including on the Australian Army Staff in London. Retired as a colonel after 31 years service. Post-army pursuits included rural interests, executive assistant to the Australian Federal Police Commissioner and on the staff of the Australian War Memorial.

**215835 Captain Ernest Chamberlain, aged 25, of Sydney, New South Wales.** A Vietnamese linguist, Australian Regular Army. A 1965 graduate of the Officer Cadet School, Portsea, in 1969–70 he was an intelligence officer in Ba Ria and Nui Dat, at the Australian Embassy, and as a staff officer/aide on an Army of the Republic of Vietnam Headquarters. He was later the Vietnam desk officer in the Australian Joint Intelligence Organisation, revisiting Vietnam in 1974. In his 36-year military career, he was the Army's Director of Military Intelligence and Director of Studies at its Staff College. He also served in Singapore and the UK, as Defence Attaché in Cambodia (awarded the Conspicuous Service Cross) and as Head of Australian Defence Staff in Jakarta as a brigadier. Retired, he worked in East Timor for several years, including as strategic policy adviser to the Timor-Leste Defence Minister. He has written seven published books on Timor and five on the Vietnam War.

**19991 Second Lieutenant William Davies, aged 20, of Brisbane, Queensland.** Australian Regular Army – helicopter pilot, 161 Independent Reconnaissance Flight. Straight from high school, he was commissioned after completing flying training as an officer cadet. He was evacuated from Vietnam to Australia after being shot down and, after a long rehabilitation, he returned to flying duties as an army pilot. He then served as an army recruiting officer in Perth, Western Australia, for 16 months

before resigning his short service commission and travelling extensively throughout the world. On return to Australia he completed six years of full-time study in psychology and was appointed to the foundation staff of the Vietnam Veterans Counselling Service in Perth. After several years of counselling, recurring ill health and infirmity due to his injuries led to his retiring and settling in Perth.

**216701 Second Lieutenant Michael Gunther Deak, aged 23, of Adelaide, South Australia.** He enlisted as a soldier in 1962 and, in December 1965, graduated from the Officer Cadet School, Portsea, and was posted to 5 RAR in 1966 as platoon commander of the Anti-Tank Platoon. He was awarded the Military Cross for his actions as its platoon commander. He was later tasked to establish the battalion's Reconnaissance Platoon in Vietnam. Postwar, he served in the Special Air Service Regiment, 2 Commando Regiment, various staff appointments and again in 5 RAR as adjutant. In 1973 he resigned his commission, took up his rightful name and title as Michael Baron von Berg. On his return after 12 years overseas, he was appointed group marketing director of the Hardy Wine Company. In 1991 he established his own consultancy, operating globally for some 20 years until his retirement. He was awarded the Order of Australia Medal for services to rugby in 2015.

**235277 Lieutenant John Henry Griggs, aged 23, of Sydney, New South Wales.** Graduated from the Royal Military College, Duntroon, in 1964 – gun position officer of 103 Field Battery until attached to C Company, 5 RAR, as forward observer in early 1967. He completed the gunnery staff course at Larkhill in the UK in 1968–69, then was posted as an instructor in gunnery at the School of Artillery, and, later, as a battery commander. He served in Headquarters, PNG Defence Force, graduated from the Australian Staff College in 1975 and then was a senior instructor (trials and development) before promotion to lieutenant colonel in 1979. His last appointment was in operational doctrine development. He left the army in 1982 to become a hotelier for 30 years, before retiring.

**215812 Lance Corporal Edmund William Dennis Harrison, aged 19, of Lewisham, New South Wales.** Australian Regular Army – posted to 5 RAR on its formation in early 1965. Second in command of 1 Section, 1 Platoon of A Company until seriously wounded on 17 October 1966 and evacuated to Australia. He served for another 13 years in various postings until 1979, then formed a career in middle management within

the printing industry before retiring in 2000 due to ill health caused by his war service. He is the long-serving webmaster of the 5 RAR Association's multi-award-winning website and a Life Member of the Association.

**17105 Lieutenant John Curtis Hartley, aged 21, of Woombye, Queensland.** A 1965 graduate of the Royal Military College, Duntroon, he was commander of 1 Platoon, A Company throughout 5 RAR's first tour in Vietnam. During this tour, he was twice MID and twice wounded. In 1970, he returned to Vietnam as an adviser with the Australian Army Training Team Vietnam when he received the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry and two US awards for valour. Seriously wounded, he was evacuated to Australia where he recovered and served in the army for nearly 40 years, achieving the rank of major general. He was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia in 1992 for his service. His senior appointments included head of the army's Training Command, Director of the Defence Intelligence Organisation, Deputy Chief of the Army and Land Commander Australia. Post-army he has been head of the Royal United Services Institute, national president of the National Rifle Association, chairman of the Battle Honours Committee and is presently CEO and director of the not-for-profit research institute, Future Directions International.

**335162 Lieutenant Douglas James Heazlewood, aged 22, of Warrnambool, Victoria.** Australian Regular Army – section commander and, later, gun position officer of 103 Field Battery, he graduated from the Royal Military College, Duntroon, in 1965. Post-Vietnam, he underwent advanced training in the UK and held various unit and instructional appointments. After commanding a field battery, he attended long-term training at the UK Royal Military College of Science and completed an exchange appointment in the UK Ministry of Defence. There followed materiel acquisition, intelligence and Australian Army Staff Washington appointments and a period on the Joint Plans staff at Defence Headquarters. Leaving the army in 1987, as a lieutenant colonel, he was marketing manager of the Small Arms Factory in Lithgow, becoming general manager until 1993 when he returned to Warrnambool and retired in 2011 as finance manager of a human services agency.

**47056 Lieutenant David Murray Horner, aged 23, of Adelaide, South Australia.** Australian Regular Army – a platoon commander in 3 RAR in Vietnam in 1971. A graduate of the Royal Military College, Duntroon (1969) and of the Australian Army Staff College, he had regimental and

staff postings before transferring to the Army Reserve and becoming an academic. Later, as a colonel in the Army Reserve, he was the first head of the army's Land Warfare Studies Centre. He was professor of Australian defence history at The Australian National University for 15 years and is now an emeritus professor at that university. The author or editor of 35 books on Australian military history, defence and intelligence, he is also the Official Historian of Australian, Humanitarian and Post-Cold War Operations. He was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia in 2009 for services to higher education in Australian military history and heritage as a researcher, author and academic.

**311478 Captain Peter Isaacs, aged 25, of the Isle of Wight, UK.**

Ex-British Army and Australian Regular Army – adjutant and assistant operations officer 5 RAR, then an instructor at the Officer Training Unit Scheyville, before returning to the UK in 1968. In 1975 he was a company commander, then second in command of a Baluch infantry battalion during the Dhofar war in Oman. Wounded by a mine in 1976, losing a leg and an eye. Awarded a Sultanate of Oman Commendation for Brave Conduct. From 1986 he was director of several international security companies followed by management of UN mine clearance operations in Angola, Bosnia-Herzegovina and Tajikistan and border management and counter-narcotics programs in Central Asia including Northern Afghanistan. Latterly, director of a British company providing armed guards at US military bases and embassies in Afghanistan and in the Middle East. Retired in 2016, he lives in the United Kingdom.

**43268 Corporal Robert Stanley Kearney, aged 20, of Adelaide, South Australia.**

Australian Regular Army – section commander in 9 Platoon 5 RAR. He joined the army at the age of 17 in 1963. He served a second tour in Vietnam in 1971 when he was a platoon sergeant throughout 3 RAR's second tour. Following retirement as a warrant officer in 1983, he gained a commission in the Army Reserve and was employed by South Australia Correctional Services and, later, the South Australia Country Fire Service. Since retirement in 2014, he volunteers with the Virtual War Memorial Australia ([vwma.org.au](http://vwma.org.au)). He is the author of three books about the First World War, and co-author of two about Vietnam. He received an Order of Australia Medal in 2001 for services to military history preservation, and to the community. In 2019, the History Council of South Australia named him the South Australian Historian of the Year for his ongoing work.

**4717396 Corporal Ian Alexander McDougall, aged 20, of Basket Range, South Australia.** A national serviceman of the first intake in 1965, he served as a medic with artillery and then with all companies of 5 RAR, being the first national service medic to serve with an Australian infantry battalion in operations. He joined the Australian Federal Police in South Australia and served also in the Northern Territory and New South Wales; at times in charge of various substations and squads before returning to South Australia in 1987 as a detective sergeant. After 31 years, he retired as detective station sergeant in charge of the General Crime Branch (Commonwealth Investigations Branch) in Adelaide. He completed numerous periods of higher duties as inspector or superintendent and received Commendations from three different Commissioners.

**235023 Major Stanley John Maizey, aged 36, of Sydney, New South Wales.** Australian Regular Army – second in command of 5 RAR. A 1951 graduate of the Royal Military College, Duntroon, he attended the Army's Staff College in 1963. Being a Staff College graduate, he was transferred from 5 RAR to 1 ATF headquarters in December 1966 to be the operations officer. As a junior officer he served in Japan and Korea with 1 RAR and 2 RAR, in Malaya with 2 RAR and in training and staff assignments in Australia. He was later chief instructor of the Officer Training Unit. On promotion to colonel he was commanding officer of 2 Recruit Training Battalion, head of Operations Branch in Headquarters Training Command, and commander of a District Support Group. He retired in 1979. Post-army, in Sydney, he was manager of Randwick Racecourse and then the Royal Motor Yacht Squadron. Later, in Kempsey, he was manager of the childhood cancer charity, the Challenge Foundation. He died in 2018.

**15878 Corporal Brian Edward Mortimer, aged 23, of Blacktown, New South Wales.** Australian Regular Army – medical assistant of 103 Field Battery. Post-Vietnam, his army career extended to 38 years, retiring as a major. His career highlights included medical sergeant of 1 RAR in Malaysia and Singapore, an instructor at the Australian Army School of Health, an attachment to the British Army School of Health at Aldershot in the UK, and regimental sergeant major of 9 Field Ambulance in Townsville and 1 Military Hospital in Brisbane. Commissioned in 1985, he was adjutant of 10 Field Hospital in Hobart, administration officer of the Army Malaria Research Unit and of 1 Military Hospital. In a headquarters staff appointment, he coordinated army support for Northern Territory Aboriginal communities. He retired in 1999.

**5713701 Second Lieutenant Henry Thomas Neesham, aged 21, of Palmyra, Western Australia.** A national serviceman, he commanded 7 Platoon, C Company, for all but a few weeks of 5 RAR's first tour of Vietnam. A member of the first class (1965) to graduate from the Officer Training Unit, Scheyville. Post-Vietnam, he rejoined the Western Australia public service in late 1967. In a 43-year career, his prominent positions included 23 years as CEO of the Western Australia Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation Commission, including three years as chairman of the Australian Heads of Workers' Compensation Authorities. In 2001 he attended the Cole Royal Commission into the Building and Construction Industry as an expert witness. A founding director, in 2000, of the Clontarf Foundation, which fosters the education, self-esteem and life skills of indigenous boys, he remains a member of the board.

**2781397 Private John Patrick O'Callaghan, aged 21, of Leichhardt, New South Wales.** A national serviceman of the first intake in 1965 – machine gunner of 5 Platoon, B Company, and later a member of the Regimental Police Section in Battalion Headquarters. After completing his national service obligation, he returned to Sydney and worked as a waterboard maintenance crew member and a vehicle serviceman, truck driver, transport manager and plant operator in the earth-moving and horticulture industries until his retirement.

**1731021 Second Lieutenant Terrence Harold O'Hanlon, aged 21, of Boonah, Queensland.** National serviceman – commander of 5 Platoon, B Company. A member of the first class to graduate from the Officer Training Unit, Scheyville. Returning injured from Vietnam, he completed his service obligation as a member of the staff of the Officer Training Unit. On leaving the army, he returned to his family's property at Boonah where he ran cattle and bred horses. He has a lifetime commitment to breeding working horses and has judged at many Royal Shows. He has been a director and president of the Australian Quarter Horse Association and a director of the National Cutting Horse Association. He has owned and partnered in cattle stations in the Northern Territory and hotels and motels in central Queensland. In retirement he still breeds horses.

**335113 Captain Robert John O'Neill, aged 29, of Melbourne, Victoria.** Australian Regular Army 1955–68, graduate of the Royal Military College, Duntroon, in 1958, Bachelor of Engineering, University of Melbourne, 1960, Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy, Oxford University, 1965. Second in command of B Company, 5 RAR, January–

August 1966, battalion intelligence officer, August 1966 – May 1967. Transferred to the academic staff at the Royal Military College, Duntroon, in 1968; Head of the Strategic and Defence Studies Centre, The Australian National University, 1971–82. Official Historian of Australia's Role in the Korean War 1970–82, director of the International Institute for Strategic Studies, London, 1982–87, Chichele Professor of the History of War and Fellow of All Souls College, Oxford, 1987–2001. Chairman of the Council of the International Institute for Strategic Studies, 1996–2001. Trustee of the Imperial War Museum, London, 1990–2001, Chairman of Trustees, 1998–2001. Member Commonwealth War Graves Commission, 1991–2001. Honorary colonel, the 5th Battalion, the Royal Green Jackets, 1993–99. Honorary Doctor of Letters, The Australian National University, 2001. Chairman of the council, Australian Strategic Policy Institute, 2000–05. Chairman of the board, Menzies Centre for Australian Studies, London, 1990–95. Author of *The German Army and the Nazi Party 1933–39*, 1966, *Vietnam Task, the Fifth Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment*, written during operations in Vietnam 1966–67 and published in 1968, *General Giap – Politician and Strategist*, 1969. *Australia in the Korean War 1950–1953*, 2 vols, 1981 and 1985. Honorary Fellow, Australian Institute for International Affairs, 2008. Jubilee Fellow, Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia, 2018. He was MID in 1967 and appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia in 1988.

**2412265 Private Daniel Eric Riley, aged 19, of Granville, New South Wales.** Australian Regular Army 1965–68 – served in the Anti-Tank Platoon and subsequently the Reconnaissance Platoon. Upon return to Australia he trained as a paratrooper and became a corporal in 5 RAR. Post-service, he completed teacher training with postings to rural and regional New South Wales before completing a doctoral program in the United States. Throughout his tertiary qualifications, experience and publications, he maintained links with both Australian and New Zealand defence forces as part of his tertiary responsibilities. His study of professional learning included visits to the US Army and Canadian defence staff colleges, post-2001. In addition to tertiary appointments, his career included service as an educational consultant with school systems in New South Wales and Western Australia's Kimberley region. He retired in 2010.

**214040 Captain Robert William Supple, aged 24, of Cowra, New South Wales.** Australian Regular Army – second in command of A Company, 5 RAR, and assistant operations officer on Battalion Headquarters during some major operations. An Officer Cadet School Graduate (December 1962), he served as the platoon commander of the Royal Australian Regiment's Airborne Platoon before joining 5 RAR in 1965. Upon leaving the battalion in 1967, he served as the adjutant/training officer of the Citizen Military Force's 1 Commando Company in Sydney and was later an instructor in Tactics Wing of the Officer Training Unit, at Scheyville in New South Wales, involved in training national service officer cadets for service in Vietnam. In 1971 he resigned from the army to commence a career in business.

**47046 Lieutenant George Roger Wainwright, aged 21, of Adelaide, South Australia.** Australian Regular Army – he commanded 8 Platoon, C Company, for the duration of 5 RAR's tour of Vietnam in 1966–67 and was wounded in action. His 1965 graduation from the Royal Military College, Duntroon, was followed by a 35-year military career, retiring as a colonel. He served in four RAR battalions and several army schools. He is a graduate of the Australian Army Staff College and the US Armed Forces Staff College. His later career involved senior postings in training environments, including Director of Military Art at the Royal Military College, Duntroon; and in strategic operational and intelligence appointments. Post-army, he was contracted to conduct several Australian Defence Force personnel projects. He has been president of the 5 RAR Association since 2005 and is an inaugural director of the RAR Corporation.

**Lieutenant Colonel John Arnold Warr, aged 41, of Mosman, New South Wales.** Australian Regular Army – commanding officer of 5 RAR (see Chapter 16). A 1947 graduate of the Royal Military College, Duntroon, he served as a junior officer with the British Commonwealth Occupation Forces in Japan post-Second World War and was seriously wounded during the Korean War, while serving with 3 RAR. As a major he served with the Canadian Army as an exchange officer in 1960–62. In 1967 he was awarded the Distinguished Service Order for his command of 5 RAR in 1966–67. He resigned from the Army in 1972 as a colonel. There followed a period as Assistant Registrar of the University of New South Wales, during which time he appeared before the Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and Defence, assisting with its examination of the Australian Army's future roles. He later spent many

years as a businessman in the swimming pool industry. He instigated the 5th Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment Association, in 1967 and served as its president until his death in May 1999.

**J. Mark Warr of Sydney, New South Wales, son of Lieutenant Colonel John Warr.** In his early 20s, Mark was assistant export manager for a timber milling company and a meat processing company in NSW. In his late 20s, he developed a business publications business that imported and published specialised publications for Australian and New Zealand companies. Mark sold this business in the late 1980s, married and had two children. During this time, he bought, with his father, a retail swimming pool business comprised of two shops and three service vans on Sydney's North Shore. This grew to three stores and 17 service vans and was servicing and maintaining 80 per cent of the major commercial swimming pools in Sydney's CBD. With 28 staff, a program to restructure the company was undertaken, which successfully franchised 13 service vans, before being sold to Poolwerx in 2006. Since then, Mark has undertaken new business ventures.

**216799 Captain Harold Anthony Duckett White, aged 26, of Sydney, New South Wales.** Australian Regular Army (five-year short service commission) – 5 RAR's regimental medical officer. A graduate of Cambridge and Sydney universities. He served, post-Vietnam, as regimental medical officer of 1 Recruit Training Battalion at Kapooka in New South Wales and with the British Military Hospital in Singapore. Back in civilian life, he qualified as a dermatologist, and was in private practice and a visiting medical officer at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney, as well as a senior lecturer at the University of Sydney. As a colonel in the Army Reserve in Army Office, Canberra, he served as a consultant dermatologist. He was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia for remote area dermatology and medical education in Australia and the Pacific Islands. He retired in 2010. He published a book on his experiences in Vietnam in 2011: *Starlight: An Australian army doctor in Vietnam*.

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