# John Price Griffin





John Price Griffin, USMC (photos provided by Dorothy McGarthy, sister of veteran)



USMC Platoon 3093 - San Diego, CA, 1976 (John P. Griffin, left end of 1<sup>st</sup> row)

## **Personal information**

Name: John Price Griffin, Jr.

Birth: 18 May 1957, Denton, Denton County, TX

1982 – lived in Alexandria, VA, at time of death

Death: 19 April 1982, Arlington, Arlington County, Virginia (manlift

accident, crushed abdomen)

<u>Cemetery:</u> Oakwood Cemetery, Denton, Denton County, Texas; Block: 2-51

(GPS: 33° 12' 36" N 97° 7' 23" W)

(escorted home for burial by his wife, also a Marine)

Family: Son of John Price Griffin, Sr., and Wilma Lee Hunter

Husband of Judith Mary Paolucci, USMC (1977)

## **Military Service**

Military Branch: U.S. Marine Corps

Dates: Enlisted 20 August 1976

Discharged 23 October 1979

Rank at Discharge: Corporal

Assignments: --19 September 1976 – U.S. Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton,

San Diego County, CA

--Served as a Military Police (MP)
--Served as a recruiter in Denton, TX

--Headquarters and Service Battalion, Fort Myer, Arlington,

Arlington County, VA

Other Noteworthy Stood guard for President Jimmy Carter

<u>Facts</u>: Participated in boxing

<u>Civilian Life</u> Enjoyed tennis and swimming, concentration on Distributive

Education in high school, excelled in public speaking and debate

Education: College, 1 year

Occupation: Chief of Security

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