Lawrence Alice (Larry, Legs)

Class of 1963 Loveland High School

Air Force

E-4 Airman First Class September 1965 – November 1968

I had worked in the Loveland/Estes Park area for ranchers and farmers and had some construction jobs, until I got a job with Hewlett Packard. I didn't think I would get drafted because of my height. I got back from the first paid vacation of my life and had six days to report to the draft office. I didn't want to be walking around in rice paddies with guys almost a foot shorter than I was, so I hurried down to the Air Force recruiter and joined up. I went to Lackland AFB in San Antonio for basic training, then they sent me to Lowery AFB in Denver. I was there for two years completing training and teaching electronics.

Then I got orders to Phu Cat RVN for one year. In Viet Nam I repaired airborne radar in F-100 jet aircraft and patrolled the perimeter at night. I then came back to the United States and processed out.

Awards and Citations

Instructor Wings
National Defense Medal
Viet Nam Service Medal
Viet Nam Campaign Medal
Expert Marksman Medal
USAF Commendation Medal

I had Agent Orange related throat cancer in 2013, had the cancer removed and radiation treatment. So far there has been no recurrence of the cancer.









