



Field Artillery



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**Daniel Sherman Ibach**  
**Private First Class U.S. Army**  
**5 September 1961 – 25 July 1963**

Daniel was born on 25 September 1941 in the Village of East Texas, Pennsylvania, where he lived with his family in one of the three original buildings in East Texas, a stone house built in 1830 by the crossroads in the center of the village. He attended grade school at the two-room schoolhouse in East Texas, and attended Emmaus High School in Emmaus, Pennsylvania, for two years. Prior to entering the Army, Daniel lived in East Texas and worked as a mechanic at Faust Automobile Sales and Service in Wescosville, Pennsylvania. He enlisted in the Army as a Private on 1 September 1961 in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. He was sent to Fort Dix, New Jersey, for basic training and training in the use of the M1 rifle and carbine. In November 1961 he was sent to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, for two months advanced training in artillery as a Flash Ranging Crewman. In January 1962, Daniel was transferred to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he was assigned to Battery A, 1st Target Acquisition Battalion, 25th Artillery Division, for six months prior to deployment of his unit overseas to Korea in July 1963. Daniel continued to serve in Battery A as a Flash Ranging Crewman in Korea at Camp Santa Barba for the remainder of his active duty. He was released from active duty as a Private First Class in July 1963 at the Army Personnel Center in Oakland, California, and was transferred to the Army Reserve for duty until 31 August 1967. After his release from active duty, Daniel returned to East Texas to live until he moved to East Macungie, Pennsylvania, in 1967. He resumed working at Faust Automobile Sales and Service until 1979. He then went to work for Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., in Trexlertown, Pennsylvania, as a mechanic until 1985 and then as a Ransome Lift Operator. Daniel married **Meta Catherine Drabick** (born 8 November 1935) on 21 October 1983. They settled in East Macungie, Pennsylvania. Daniel had two brothers who served in the Army: **John Daniel Ibach Jr.** who served in World War II and **Robert Ray Ibach** who served in Korea near the Demilitarized Zone during the late 1950s. Daniel's parents were **John Daniel Ibach Sr.** (11 Oct 1897 – 13 Feb 1949) and **Beulah M. Hinkle** (19 Mar 1903 – 23 May 1976).