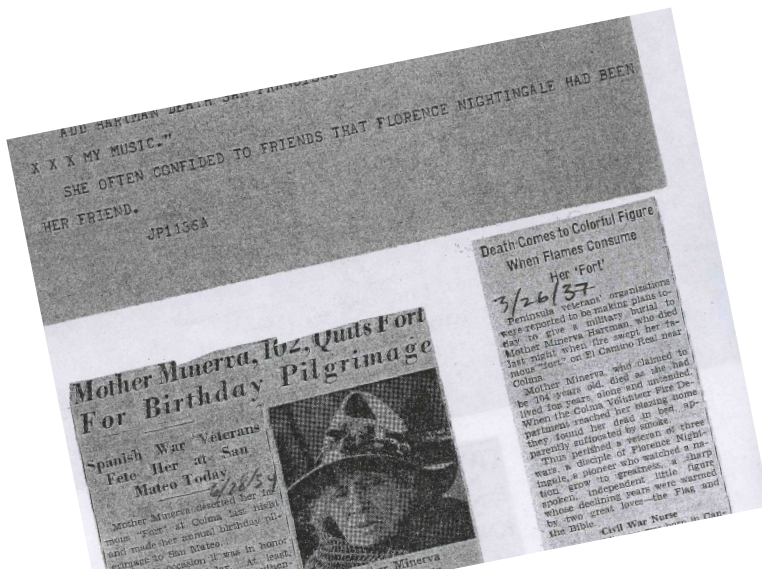


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## Times newsmen lose a friend in Vietnam

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### City room aide advocate of racial love

By RON GOBEN

Wil Webster, a former news clerk at the Times who taught racial love and understanding by personal example while he worked, is dead in Vietnam.

The Marine Corps in San Francisco said he died while swimming and apparently was not on duty. Servicemen frequently go swimming while off duty in Vietnam to escape the heat, a spokesman said.

The Defense Department announcement said only that Marine Pfc. Wilbert M. Webster, 23, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Webster, 1220 Cypress St., East Palo Alto, had died from "natural causes."

That was all there was to the announcement. In the overall statistics of the Vietnam War, it

communicating to each other as humans."

"... I feel whites have got to be more objective in seeing black people as intelligent, clean, law-abiding, hard-working, fun-loving people. Black people must see themselves in this light as well. But for whites to realize this they must be around them."

"It is not studying about black people you break the barrier, but by association on the day-to-day basis."

Wil was also a talented artist and sold several copies of a charcoal sketch he made of black militant Stokely Carmichael.

The job at the Times was supposed to last only through the summer, but Wil decided not to return to college and continued to work.



PFC. WIL WEBSTER

A collection of articles about San Mateo County Residents

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