WHAT’S A QUANG TRI ?

THERE’S NO ONE LEFT IN OLE QUANG TRI,

THAT FORGOTTEN BASE CAMP ON THE DMZ

IT SOUNDS UNREAL, BUT THAT’S WHAT THEY SAY

SINCE THE 5TH HAS GONE BACK TO THE U.S.A.

NEVER MORE WILL G.I.’S SWEAT AND STRAIN,

CURSING THE HEAT AND PRAYING FOR RAIN;

AND CURSING THE RAIN WHEN THE MONSOONS POUR.

‘CAUSE THEY’VE ALL GONE HOME, THEY’RE HERE NO MORE.

NOW IT’S QUIET HERE SINCE THEY’VE GONE AWAY.

A BODY CAN ENJOY A PEACEFUL DAY.

A DAY WITHOUT TANKS OR NOISEY TRACKS,

NOW ALL YOU HAVE TO SWEAT IS GROUND ATTACKS.

SOME PEOPLE SAY THE CAV STAYED BEHIND—

YOU CAN SHOVE THAT THOUGHT TO THE BACK OF YOUR MIND.

CRONKITE AND NEWSWEEK SAID THEY’RE GONE TOO—

YOU KNOW THEY SAY, JUST HAS TO BE TRUE.

THAT’S WHY THOSE OF US WHO ARE NOT HERE,

MOST OF WHOM SMILE AT THOUGHTS OF FEAR—

SUDDENLY THINK THINGS HAVE GONE ROTTEN,

BECAUSE IT APPEARS WE’VE BEEN FORGOTTEN.

SO YOU PEOPLE BACK HOME IN YOUR EASY CHAIRS,

JUST WATCH YOUR T.V. AND FORGET ALL OUR CARES,

AND FORGET THAT PLACE THEY CALL QUANG TRI—

‘CAUSE THERE’S NO ONE HERE, JUST THE CAV AND ME.

*Circa late 1971* - *Author unknown*