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NAME of Veteran James Wayne Cotton ☒ M or ☐ F Age 75

Phone: mobile: [REDACTED]

Address: P.O. Box [REDACTED]

Email: Cotton [REDACTED]

Branch of Service: U.S. Navy - Reserves

Rank: E-5 ATN-2

Dates of service: from Oct. 1966 to Sept. 1972

Where did you attend boot camp? San Diego

Where did you serve? Navy Aviation Reserve Training Unit (NARTU Andrews)
Navy Detachment on Andrews AFB - Washington D.C.

What was your job in the service?

Teaching Depot Maintenance Repair of Avionics to Reservists

MEDALS AND CITATIONS RECEIVED:

Vietnam Service, National Defense

Memorable battles/actions or activities during your time in service:

USS Pueblo Capture, Martin Luther King Assassination Pilots,

Favorite place you were stationed: Andrews AFB, Washington D.C.

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Date: Nov. 4, 2022

Added information:

Stories while in the Service and Family life: Family was visiting and I thought that the plane I pointed out to them, was Air Force One. It was not and the base was closed while they were looking for us. MLK Riots caused base to be closed while 101st Airborne was bivouacked on base to protect D.C.

Names of parents, spouse and children, grandchildren: Bill William D. Cotton Sr
Jimmie Nadine Jennings-Cotton, Carolyn Gloria Cooper-Cotton,
Jeffery Wayne Cotton 12-18-1969, Gregory James Cotton 8-23-72
Connor Wayne Cotton-Grandson,

Where did you grow up? OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

What was/is your career after military service Electrician, Engineering Mgr.

Choctaw Veterans,

Thank you for being a part of the Veterans archives information project. A portion of this information gathered may appear in a future Choctaw Veterans book by the Choctaw Nation. You may be contacted for more information. We appreciate your participation very much.

You may turn this short questionnaire in to your Choctaw Nation Field Office and request the staff return it to the Historic Project office in Durant, or you may mail or email it to Durant. If you prefer to be interviewed over the phone, please call Judy Allen at the Historic Projects Office at 580.513.7984, or a time can potentially be set up for an in-person visit at your local community.

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