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I received an email from the daughter of LtCol D'Amico who was shot down on 20 October 1968. She is trying to get into contact with his rescuers

He landed in the water along with Lt Wilburn (GIB) very close to Tiger Island. This island off the coast of North Vietnam was responsible for several shootdowns and bristled with AAA of various sizes.

HH-3E JG 29 went in to make the pickup. Its crew was Capt Gerald Moore pilot, Capt Laurens Davis copilot, Sgt Robert Anderson FE and Sgt Steven T. White PJ. JG 29 was shot down at the other 2 survivors and now there were 6 men needing rescue.

JG 31 and 33 were already enroute Tiger Island as backup for JG 29. JG 33 was the low bird crewed by Major Charles Wicker pilot, Maj Robert Shular copilot, SSgt Kenneth Hannegan FE and PJ A1C Dennis Palmer. This crew rescued half of the survivors and JG 31 rescued the remaining survivors. JG 31 was crewed by Capt Jerry Griggs pilot, Capt Harry Nagen copilot, TSgt Art Ambrose FE and PJ Sgt Steve Northern.

If anyone knows how to get in touch with any of these rescuemen please email Nancy D'Amico at ndamico@me.com Nancy believes that Steven White had been in contact with her dad prior to his passing away. She is especially trying to contact Steven White

Please info copy me on any emails as I may want to get in contact with these men to allow them to review a story written about this SAR rlapointe@gci.net