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Ex-POW's Leg Amputated

Travis AFB

Air Force Technical Sergeant Roy L. Madden Jr., a former prisoner of war, underwent a leg amputation saturday at Travis Air Force Base, the Air Force announced yesterday.

Madden, 25, had been a gunner on a B-52 when his plane was shot down over North Vietnam on Dec. 22, 1972.

His right leg was fractured at the upper thigh at that time, and infection set in. Amputation was agreed upon at David Grant Medical Center at Travis after Madden was returned to the U.S. on February 17.

Madden is under round-

the-clock nursing attention, but not in intensive care, the Air Force said.

His home of record is Hayward, Maine. He is married and the father of three children.

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