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AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

SHRADER, CECIL L. 083474 (SSAN: MAJOR ARMOR
United States Army Troop C, 1st Squadron (Airmobile), 9th Cavalry

Awarded: Distinguished Flying Cross

Date action: 20 March 1969

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For heroism while participating in aerial flight evidenced by voluntary action above and beyond the call of duty in the Republic of Vietnam. Major Shrader distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous action on 20 March 1969, while serving as a pilot of a UH-1B armed helicopter during a combat mission in Tay Ninh Province, Republic of Vietnam. When a long range reconnaissance patrol made contact with a large enemy force, Major Shrader without hesitation flew to the location and covered the extraction of the patrol. With complete disregard for his own safety, he then searched the area, reporting numerous signs of enemy movement. While exposed to the intense hostile ground positions, Major Shrader placed accurate suppressive fire on the enemy positions until his helicopter was severely damaged and he was forced to leave the area. His outstanding flying ability and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service, and reflect great credit upon himself, his unit and the United States Army.

Authority: By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 2 July 1926.

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