

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS 9TH INFANTRY DIVISION
APO San Francisco 96370

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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

BREED, ROLLA M. 05406364 (SSAN: [REDACTED]) CAPTAIN AIR DEFENSE ARTILLERY
United States Army, Troop D, 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry, 9th Infantry Division, APO
96370

Awarded: Silver Star

Date action: 9 May 1969

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For gallantry in action involving close combat with an armed hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam: Captain Breed distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous actions on 9 May 1969 while serving as an Aero Scout Platoon Commander with Troop D, 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry, on a reconnaissance in force mission south of Cai Lay. Captain Breed was pilot of the lead aircraft involved in support of the operations of an infantry platoon when the platoon was suddenly fired upon at close range by an enemy company in well concealed and fortified positions. Captain Breed, with total self disregard, unhesitatingly flew his craft into the brunt of the enemy fire and placed devastatingly accurate machine gun fire on the enemy. Although his craft was nearly disabled by numerous hits, when he ran out of ammunition he landed, took on more, then returned to the attack, with the final result that the friendly platoon was able to recover its casualties and rejoin its parent company. Captain Breed's extraordinary heroism in close combat is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit upon himself, the 9th Infantry Division and the United States Army.

Authority: By direction of the President under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918, and USARV message 16695, dated 1 July 1966.

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