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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. 05406304 (SSAN: [REDACTED]) CAPTAIN ARMOR United States Army, Troop D, 3rd Squadron, 5th Cavalry, 9th Infantry Division, APO 96370

Awarded: Silver Star

Date action: 4 January 1969

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For gallantry in action involving close combat against an armed hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam: Captain Breed distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous actions on 4 January 1969 while serving as Mission Commander, Troop D, 3rd Squadron, 5th Cavalry, on a reconnaissance in force mission in Kien Hoa Province.

Disregarding his own safety, Captain Breed volunteered his craft to evacuate wounded personnel from an embattled area. As he approached the landing site the craft came under heavy fire.

Disregarding the intense fire Captain Breed continued on his mission and evacuated the wounded troops as enemy bullets riddled his helicopter and wounded one of his crew. After he had gotten the wounded to a hospital he returned to the scene of the actions and repeated the same courageous act as he rescued three more wounded men. Captain Breed's extraordinary heroism in close combat against an armed hostile force 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 provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918, and USARV message 16695, dated 1 July 1966.

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