

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

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AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL

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: Soldier's Medal

Date action: 28 February 1969

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For heroism not involving actual combat with an armed hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam: Captain Breed distinguished himself by valorous actions on 28 February 1969 while serving as Operations Officer, Troop D, 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry, on a combat mission near Mo Cay. After his helicopter had been disabled by enemy fire, Captain Breed skillfully crash landed it with minimum injuries to the personnel on board. The door gunner, however, had his foot trapped in the wreckage and the craft burst into flames on impact. Captain Breed braved intense heat and the danger of imminent explosion to help free the trapped crew man and pull him to safety. Captain Breed's heroic actions are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect 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 2 July 1926.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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