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UNIT HISTORY

D TROOP, 3RD SQUADRON 5TH CAVALRY

ATTACHED TO

7TH SQUADRON, 1ST AIR CAVALRY

1ST AVIATION BRIGADE

1 JANUARY 1970 - 31 DECEMBER 1970

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FORWARD

As the concept of air mobility in ground combat operations evolved and matured, the Air Cavalry Troop has established itself as an invaluable fighting unit. Its unique organization of aero scout, lift and weapons platoons gives it the capability to accomplish all airmobile operations. It's primary mission, however, remains that of extensive air reconnaissance: finding the enemy and fixing them in combat. Officers and men of Lighthorse, from Cambodia to the U Minh Forest, from the Iron Triangle to the Seven Mountains, you have displayed the true cavalryman's fighting spirit. Your professionalism and dedication to your mission have become a standard in the delta.

JOHNNY A. PHILLIPS, JR.
Major, Armor
Commanding

HERALDRY

5th Cavalry

COAT OF ARMS

Shield: On a Cross Moline Sable, on a Chief Embattled of the last a Maltese Cross Argent.

Crest: On wreath of the colors (or and sable) a bundle of five arrows sable armed and flitted gules, tied with a rattlesnake skin having five rattles proper.

Motto: Loyalty and Courage.

Symbolism: The 5th Cavalry Regiment's Coat of Arms embodies highlights of the Regiment's history. The upper portion of the Coat of Arms consists of a bundle of five arrows tied together with a rattlesnake skin having five rattles. This is the Indian symbol of War. The arrows commemorate the five major Indian campaigns in which Regiment was engaged. The upper portion of the shield consists of a white Maltese Cross on a black field, representing the service of the Regiment in Puerto Rico November, 1898 to 1900. The five battlements symbolize the numerical designation of the unit. The lower portion of the shield is yellow to denote the color of the Cavalry. The black Cross Moline in this portion was won by the charge of the Regiment at Caine's Mill, Virginia, on 27 June 1862 against the Confederate Troops of Longstreet. In 1923 the War Department draped the shield with a yellow ribbon bearing the Motto, "Loyalty and Courage", thereby honoring the Coat of Arms with the Department's official approval.

LINEAGE

Constituted 3 March 1855 in the regular army as Company C, 2nd Cavalry.
Organized 28 May, 1855 at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
Redesignated 3 August 1861 as Company C, 5th Cavalry.
(Cavalry companies officially designated troops in 1883)
5th Cavalry assigned to 1st Cavalry Division December 1900, May 1910.
Assigned 18 December 1922 to 1st Cavalry Division.
Dismounted 28 February 1943 and reorganized 4 December 1943, partly by Cavalry and partly by Infantry Tables of Organization.
Reorganized wholly as Infantry 20 July 1945 but retaining Cavalry designations.
Redesignated 25 March 1949 as Company C, 5th Cavalry.
Inactivated 15 November 1957 in Japan and relieved from assignment to 1st Cavalry Division.
Redesignated 15 April 1958 as Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 3d Reconnaissance Squadron, 5th Cavalry.
Activated 1 July 1953 and assigned to 9th Infantry Division at Fort Carson, Colorado.
Inactivated 31 January 1962 at Fort Carson.
Redesignated 1 February 1966 as 3rd Squadron, 5th Cavalry and activated at Fort Riley, Kansas.

LIGHTHORSE "6"
Commanders

The following individuals commanded D Troop, 3rd Squadron, 5th Cavalry during 1970.

1 January 1970 - 21 July 1970

DELMER H. LIVENGOOD
Major, Armor
234-60-4326

21 July 1970 - 31 December 1970

JOHNNY A. PHILLIPS, JR.
Major, Armor
Commanding

AREA OF OPERATIONS

Under operational control of 7th Squadron, 1st Air Cavalry, the area of operations ranged throughout IV Corps. With the mission of supporting major ARVN Divisions, D Troop, 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry changed area of operations frequently. Terrain varied from the abrupt mountains near Chi Lang and the Cambodian border to the nippapalm lined paddies between the mouths of the Mekong to the heavily forested and densely shrubbed U Minh Forest. Frequently used staging areas were the Tra Vinh, Ben Tre, Dong Tam, Muc Hoa, Cao Lanh, Vi Thanh, Ca Mau, Thoi Binh, Rach Soi, Chi Lang and the Cement Plant.

TROOP D
3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry

Throughout the period 1 January 1970 to 31 December 1970, D Troop (Air), 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry was under the operational control of the 7th Squadron, 1st Air Cavalry in direct combat support of the 7th, 9th, 21st ARVN Divisions and the 44th Special Tactical Zone.

The troop's typical mission was reconnaissance-in-force using the unit's organic Scout (OH-6A), Gun (AH-1W) and Lift (UH-1H) platoons. Normal mission requirements were two Scout teams, two light fire teams, three slicks and a Command and Control aircraft. The Command and Control aircraft, a Scout team and a light fire team would make visual reconnaissance of suspected enemy locations with the Aero Scouts and Cobra gunships engaging the enemy. The lift element stood by with a ready reaction force if heavy contact was made.

During March 1970, Lighthorse elements located the 1st NVA Battalion in the 9th ARVN Division's Tram area. On the second day of contact, 99 NVA KBA's were confirmed for Lighthorse along with the discovery of three 50 caliber machine guns, twenty 30 caliber machine guns, and numerous small arms weapons.

The Cambodian operation was initiated on the 29th of April with D Troop, 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry spearheading the entire operation, being the unconfirmed first unit to enter Cambodia. Throughout May and June, Lighthorse supported ARVN units working in Cambodia, and taking maximum advantage of Visual reconnaissance missions and accurate gun strikes, Lighthorse compiled a total of 229 KBA's for the operation.

"Delta" Troop, 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry took an active part in the Seven Mountains operation near Chi Lang in October 1970. Lighthorse supported the 9th ARVN Division in their efforts to secure the major objectives of Nui Cau, Nui Giai, and Nui Coto. With the help of Lighthorse air support, this once safe enemy sanctuary was almost completely pacified by the 9th ARVN Division's troops.

Lighthorse continued to support the ARVN Delta units through the end of 1970. The following is a breakdown of the ARVN units supported in the "Delta" and Cambodia for the year 1970.

44th STZ

January 13-16, 19-31
February 1-3, 25-30
March 1-3
April 1-3, 23-30
May 1, 2, 13, 14, 17-21, 23, 27-30
June 1, 4-7, 21-27
August 19, 21, 22, 24, 25, 29
October 7, 20
November 25
December 6, 12, 15-17, 21-23, 28

7th ARVN Division

April 4, 22
May 7, 25
June 10-20
July 4, 15, 18
August 2, 3, 30, 31
September 9-12
October 6
November 7, 8, 10, 14, 15, 22, 24, 26-29

9th ARVN Division

January 2-6, 9, 10
February 4-8, 12-24
May 11, 24, 26
July 10, 11, 17, 30
August 4-9, 11-14
September 8, 30
October 4, 5, 8-12, 14, 15, 18, 22, 23, 25, 27, 28, 30, 31
November 1, 2, 4, 5, 9, 11, 13, 18, 21
December 4, 7, 19, 30

21st ARVN Division

January 7, 8, 11
February 10, 11
May 3-6, 10, 15
June 8, 9
July 1-3, 6, 21, 29, 31
August 16, 17, 28
September 1, 2, 4-7, 13, 15-28
October 1, 2, 19
November 16, 17, 20
December 1, 2, 5, 9-11, 13, 20, 25, 27, 31

Navy Seals

May 31
June 3

4th Marines

May 12
June 29, 30

The Troop totals for 1970 were as follows:

KIA - 5

KBA - 1039

SAMPANS - 1269

STRUCTURES - 1849

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
 Troop D (Air)
 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry
 APO San Francisco 96357

SUBJECT: Individual Awards for the Year 1970

Silver Star:

NAME	SSAN	DATE OR DATES OF ACTION
BANKSTON, Tony K.	422-56-4768	11 May 70
HANNO, Michael J.	089-40-4179	29 Apr 70
LIVENGOOD, Delmer H.	234-60-4326	29 Apr 70
SUDECK, Roy	138-40-3293	29 Apr 70
SCHULTZ, George S.	302-48-4360	29 Apr 70
SUDECK, Roy	138-40-3293	11 May 70 (1st OLC)

Distinguished Flying Cross:

BARNEY, Bruce A.	115-40-8505	29 Apr 70
BOTTORFF, Jerry O.	486-54-2396	29 Apr 70
BANKSTON, Tony K.	422-56-4768	29 Apr 70
BANKSTON, Tony K.	422-56-4768	23 Apr 70 (1st OLC)
CRISSMAN, Kim S.	168-38-2101	2 Mar 70
CALLIS, William G.	259-76-1234	2 Mar 70
CLARK, Gary L.	134-36-3395	24 Feb 70
CRISSMAN, Kim S.	168-38-2101	24 Feb 70
CLARK, Gary L.	134-36-3395	16 Mar 70 (1st OLC)
CLARK, Gary L.	134-36-3395	11 May 70 (2nd OLC)
DAVIS, Robert D.	261-84-4357	29 Apr 70
DAHLEN, Timothy S.	072-38-2105	2 Mar 70
DRUM, Edward	579-64-8068	2 Mar 70
GRIBBIN, Raymond J.	261-86-3290	9 May 70
HEMPHILL, Charles R.	574-16-8581	3 Mar 70
HARSHBERGER, Robert L.	570-64-0719	16 Mar 70
HEMPHILL, Charles R.	574-16-6581	9 May 70 (1st OLC)
JORDAN, Frederick P., Jr.	169-38-1954	11 May 70
KING, Donald W.	432-80-5949	9 May 70
LIVENGOOD, Delmer H.	234-60-4326	23 Apr 70
MUNN, Samuel P.	250-88-2590	2 Mar 70
MARTIN, Randall A.	552-62-2034	11 May 70
MARTIN, Randall A.	552-62-2034	17 Jun 70 (1st OLC)
ODENHEIMER, Robert W., Jr.	142-38-8803	11 May 70
PENDLEY, Kenneth B.	459-62-2294	9 May 70
SPARKS, Steven L.	491-54-3783	29 Apr 70
SMITH, Robert L.	536-40-7249	2 Mar 70
SUDECK, Roy	138-40-3293	2 Mar 70
SPARKS, Steven L.	491-54-3783	2 Mar 70 (1st OLC)
SPARKS, Steven L.	491-54-3783	24 Feb 70 (2nd OLC)
SUDECK, Roy	138-40-3293	9 May 70 (1st OLC)
TINGLE, Gordon W.	253-56-5797	20 Jun 70
WILL, Patrick C.	275-46-8125	29 Apr 70
WILMER, Jacob	521-56-8215	24 Feb 70
ZIMMERMAN, Richard A.	262-72-6598	16 Mar 70

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Soldiers Medal:

BANKSTON, Tony K.	422-56-4768	3 Mar 70
CLARK, Gary L.	134-36-3395	26 Jul 70
FOSTER, Joseph	033-36-3568	27 May 70
REED, Larry E.	310-54-2439	18 Oct 70
SPEARMAN, Johnnie J., Jr.	535-40-4899	18 Oct 70
TILLET, Duran	016-38-5970	18 Oct 70

Bronze Star "V":

ALLISON, Russel D.	343-36-0347	28 Aug 70
DYMENT, Stephen	034-34-0158	23 Apr 70
FLYNN, Ramond J.	121-36-2195	28 Aug 70
SPRADER, Lawrence G.	514-50-7916	23 Apr 70

Bronze Star Medal:

DAHLEN, Timothy S.	072-38-2105	Apr 69 - Apr 70
MUNN, Samuel P.	250-88-2590	Apr 69 - Apr 70
PETIT, Richard P.	086-36-3527	May 69 - May 70
HOWARD, Michael C.	104-36-3527	May 69 - May 70
KNIGHT, William S.	223-64-4430	Jun 69 - Jun 70
SMITH, Robert L.	536-40-7249	Jun 69 - Jun 70
ZIMMERMAN, Richard A.	282-72-6598	Jun 69 - Jun 70
STARBUCK, Lawrence E.	521-46-6503	2 May 70 - 31 May 70
SCHETTLER, Charles L.	343-34-2141	29 Apr 70 - 30 Jun 70
BANKSTON, Tony K.	422-56-4768	Jan 70 - Jul 70
JORDAN, Frederick P., Jr.	169-38-1954	Apr 70 - Sep 70
KING, Donald W.	432-80-5949	Feb 70 - Jul 70
SCHULTZ, George S.	302-48-4360	Oct 69 - Oct 70
SUDECK, Roy	138-40-3293	Feb 69 - Aug 70
ALLEN, Robert P.	519-52-3376	3 Jan 70 - 30 Jul 70
BULL, Donald L., Jr.	100-36-5972	21 Mar 70 - 30 Jul 70
BURCH, James R.	561-72-1199	30 Jan 70 - 30 Jul 70
DAVIS, Robert D.	261-84-4357	18 Oct 69 - 30 Jul 70
EGLESTON, Thomas M.	140-38-4905	28 Feb 70 - 30 Jul 70
MARTIN, Randall A.	552-62-2034	26 Jan 70 - 30 Jul 70
MC JOHNSTON, Andy L.	263-94-3754	20 Nov 69 - 30 Jul 70
ODENHEIMER, Robert W., Jr.	142-38-8803	20 Nov 69 - 30 Jul 70
PETERS, James P.	223-56-7632	4 Mar 70 - 30 Jul 70
SHEERAN, Joseph P.	114-40-8926	19 Jan 70 - 30 Jul 70
SORGES, Dennis M.	570-68-0834	10 Jan 70 - 30 Jul 70
WILL, Patrick C.	275-46-8125	20 Nov 69 - 30 Jul 70
ALLISON, Russel D.	343-36-0347	22 Apr 70 - 30 Sep 70
APPLEMANS, Robert B., Jr.	353-40-1252	22 Apr 70 - 30 Sep 70
CLARK, Morris	263-84-5960	22 Apr 70 - 30 Sep 70
HELMS, Johnny L.	257-66-1039	22 Apr 70 - 30 Sep 70
SORENSEN, John	264-82-1322	22 Apr 70 - 30 Sep 70
MC CRAY, John E.	311-44-6519	22 Apr 70 - 30 Sep 70
MURPHY, Raymond F.	240-80-9980	22 Apr 70 - 30 Sep 70
MOORE, Murray E.	438-72-4700	22 Apr 70 - 30 Sep 70
ROSS, Patrick N.	436-74-2132	22 Apr 70 - 30 Sep 70
SMITH, Ronald C.	222-30-8275	22 Apr 70 - 30 Sep 70
CALLISON, Donald P.	519-54-7107	10 Jun 70 - 27 Nov 70
FLYNN, Raymond J.	121-36-2195	10 Jun 70 - 27 Nov 70
WAITE, Richard F.	009-34-0124	10 Jun 70 - 27 Nov 70

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Air Medal "V":

AMMONS, Lonnie	429-98-1653	29 Apr 70
AHER, Daniel E.	008-32-6494	2 Mar 70
AMMONS, Lonnie	429-98-1653	2 Mar 70 (1st OLC)
ALLEN, Robert P.	519-64-3376	24 Feb 70
AMMONS, Lonnie	429-98-1653	24 Feb 70 (2nd OLC)
APPLEBY, William H.	116-38-9240	23 Apr 70
APPLEBY, William H.	116-38-9240	16 Mar 70 (1st OLC)
ALLISON, Russel D.	343-36-0347	11 May 70
ALLISON, Russel D.	343-36-0347	2 Dec 70 (1st OLC)
BANKSTON, Tony K.	422-56-4768	2 Mar 70
BAGLEY, Gary W.K.	467-90-0641	24 Feb 70
BOTTORFF, Jerry D.	486-54-2396	3 Mar 70
BANKSTON, Tony K.	422-56-4768	9 May 70 (1st OLC)
BARNEY, Bruce A.	038-32-7700	9 May 70
BURCH, James R.	561-72-1199	11 May 70
CLARK, Gary L.	134-36-3395	2 Mar 70
CHANDLER, Ronald J.	490-50-5237	3 Mar 70
CHANDLER, Ronald J.	490-50-5237	24 Feb 70
CLOSE, Daniel B.	357-44-1512	16 Mar 70
CLARK, Morris M.	263-84-5960	11 May 70
DAVIS, Robert D.	261-84-4357	3 Mar 70
DYMENT, Stephen	034-34-0158	2 Mar 70
DALTON, Calvin J., Jr.	245-81-7134	3 Mar 70
DYMENT, Stephen	034-34-0158	24 Feb 70 (1st OLC)
EGLESTON, Thomas M.	140-38-4905	2 Mar 70
EATON, Chanel R.	227-72-5588	2 Mar 70
EGLESTON, Thomas M.	140-38-4905	28 Aug 70 (1st OLC)
? , Richard W.	262-96-5899	20 Jun 70
GANNEAU, Rene S.	018-40-6468	2 Mar 70
GANNEAU, Rene S.	018-40-6468	4 Dec 70 (1st OLC)
HELMER, Vincent J.	308-56-5031	3 Mar 70
HOLMES, Jack A.	438-76-7909	2 Mar 70
HELMER, Vincent J.	308-56-5031	12 Feb 70 (1st OLC)
JACKSON, Alonzo M.	355-44-5178	2 Mar 70
? , Joseph	120-38-1546	16 Mar 70
MARTIN, Randall A.	552-62-2034	2 Mar 70
? , David A.	454-80-6980	2 Mar 70
MIDDAUGH, Dennis J.	508-62-6177	3 Mar 70
MC GUIRE, Michael B.	550-82-7355	3 Mar 70
MC JOHNSTON, Andy L.	263-94-3754	2 Mar 70
MUNN, Samuel P.	250-88-2590	24 Feb 70
MC GUIRE, Michael B.	550-82-7355	24 Feb 70 (1st OLC)
MC CRAY, John E.	311-44-6519	29 Apr 70
MC JOHNSTON, Andy L.	263-94-3754	23 Apr 70 (1st OLC)
MOWE, Stephen F.	347-32-1102	20 Apr 70
MARTINEZ, Frank M.	545-78-0041	16 Mar 70
MC GUIRE, Michael B.	550-82-7355	16 Mar 70 (2nd OLC)
MURPHY, Raymond F.	240-80-9960	11 May 70
MURPHY, Raymond F.	240-80-9960	4 Dec 70 (1st OLC)

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