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GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 1639 12 August 1967

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM .

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

WILLIAMSON, ROBERT SERGEANT E5 USA

Co A, 2d Bn, 502d Inf, 1st Bde, 101st Abn Div, APO 96347

Awarded: Bronze Star Medal with "V" Device

Date action: 9 June 1966

Theater: Republic of Viet Nam

Reason: For heroism in connection with military operations against a hostile force: Sergeant Williamson distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous actions on 9 June 1966 in the Republic of Viet Nam. While conducting an airmobile assault, Sergeant Williamson's company was dropped on a landing zone. As the helicopters started to unload the troops, they began to receive sporadic enemy fire and were soon engaged in a heavy fire fight. As the men started to move off of the landing zone, Sergeant Williamson realized that his company was in an enemy mine field and that if the wounded were not removed immediately an extremely serious situation could develop. With complete disregard for his own safety, Sergeant Williamson dashed through the heavy fire and began to pull the wounded men to safety. Numerous times Sergeant Williamson moved through the heavy fire and the mine field until all the wounded had been evacuated. Only after the last wounded man had been pulled from the mine field did Sergeant Williamson allow himself to be given medical aid and evacuated. Sergeant Williamson's devotion to duty and personal courage were 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 Executive Order 11046, 24 August 1962.

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