

HEADQUARTERS
1ST BRIGADE 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION
APO San Francisco 96347

GENERAL ORDERS
NUMBER 2171

14 October 1967

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM
(POSTHUMOUS)

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

KILGORE, CHARLES H. PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E3 USA

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

Awarded: Bronze Star Medal with "V" Device (Posthumously)

Date action: 2 October 1967

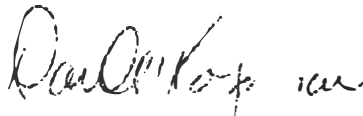
Theater: Republic of Viet Nam

Reason: For heroism in connection with military operations against a hostile force: Private Kilgore distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous actions on 2 October 1967 in the Republic of Viet Nam. While conducting a search and destroy mission, Private Kilgore's squad became pinned down by a heavy volume of enemy mortar and automatic weapons fire. In the initial stages of the battle, one of his comrades was wounded and lying in an exposed area. Private Kilgore immediately detected two enemy soldiers approaching his wounded comrade. With complete disregard for his own safety, Private Kilgore charged through the withering enemy fire and, firing his weapon as he ran, killed two enemy soldiers. As Private Kilgore returned through the vicious enemy fire to give medical aid to his wounded comrade he was struck by fragments from an enemy mortar round and mortally wounded. Private Kilgore'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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