

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

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

TOOMEY, RONALD P. 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: 25 August 1967
Theater: Republic of Viet Nam


Reason: For heroism in connection with military operations against a hostile force: Sergeant Toomey distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous actions on 25 August 1967 in the Republic of Viet Nam. Sergeant Toomey was moving with the company headquarters section through dense jungle undergrowth as they approached an open area. They were suddenly taken under extremely heavy enemy fire and several of the men in the lead element were wounded and lying in an exposed area. With complete disregard for his own safety, Sergeant Toomey rushed through the withering hail of enemy fire, shielded the wounded with his body and then carried them to safety. When the enemy began to pull back, he saw four wounded men near a downed helicopter and began moving towards them to administer medical aid to them. He got to within twenty meters of them when enemy mortar rounds began dropping in the area further endangering the lives of the wounded men. Sergeant Toomey, again with complete disregard for his own safety, then ran through the searing shrapnel, secured the wounded and carried them to safety. Sergeant Toomey'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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