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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM (FOSTHUMOUS)

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

EVANS, CHRIS S PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E3 USA

HHC, 2nd Bn, 502d Inf, 1st Bde, 101st Abn Div, AFO 96347

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

Date action: 11 July 1967 Theater: Republic of Viet Nam

Reason: For heroism in connection with military operations against a hostile force: Frivate Evans distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous actions on 11 July 1967 in the Republic of Viet Nam. Frivate Evans' section had set up a perimeter of defense for the night. During the early morning hours of darkness, the element was suddenly brought under heavy fire from a numerically superior enemy element. Private Evans observed that one of his comrades had been wounded and lay in an area exposed to the heavy enemy fire. With complete disregard for his own safety, Private Evans moved through the bullet swept area and pulled his comrade to a safe area. As the enemy fire increased, more casualties were inflicted upon the friendly element and the possibility of being overrun became greater. Private Evans began to move through the battle area to insure all the wounded had been pulled to the rear. Private Evans located another wounded comrade and again rushed through the area and picked the wounded man up and began to carry him to a safe area. As he neared a safe position he was struck by enemy fire and mortally wounded. As a result of Frivate Evans' courageous actions the lives of two of his comrades were saved. Private Evans' devotion to duty and personal courage were in keeping with the highest tradition of the military service and reflect great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army.

> E. M. STRONG MAJ, AGC

Adjutant General

Authority: By direction of the President under the provisions of Executive Order 11046, 24 August 1962.

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