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APO San Francisco 96383

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL WITH "V" DEVICE

1. TC 320. The following AWARDS are announced.

MONTGOMERY, WILLIE D SERGEANT (E-5) Company C 2d
Battalion (Airmobile) 501st Infantry APO San Francisco 96383

Awarded: The Bronze Star Medal with "V" Device

Effective month: October 1968

Date action: 24 March 1968

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For heroism in ground combat against a hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam on 24 March 1968. Sergeant Montgomery distinguished himself while serving as a team leader with Company C, 2d Battalion (Airmobile), 501st Infantry northwest of Hue, Republic of Vietnam. The second squad of the third platoon in Company C was moving through a region with extremely heavy foliage when sniper fire opened up wounding three of the men. Simultaneously a brush fire flared up and began to eat its way toward the wounded men unable to move under their own power. Sergeant Montgomery with utter disregard for his own personal safety threw all his equipment to the ground, and braving two elements, the now heavy enemy fire and the onrushing brush fire, he along with two other men began to move toward the fallen men. When he reached the men, Sergeant Montgomery picked one of the men up and once again ignoring the deadly enemy fire carried the wounded comrade to the rear to be evacuated for medical aid. Sergeant Montgomery's personal bravery and devotion to duty 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 of the United States under the provisions of Executive Order 11046.

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