

VALOROUS UNIT AWARD



3D BRIGADE TASK FORCE, 4TH INFANTRY DIVISION and its assigned, attached and supporting units: Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Brigade Task Force, 25th Infantry Division (22 April 1967 to 31 July 1967); Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Brigade Task Force, 4th Infantry Division (1 August 1967 to 20 August 1967); 1st Battalion, 35th Infantry; 2d Battalion, 35th Infantry

The citation reads as follows:

The 3D BRIGADE TASK FORCE, 4TH INFANTRY DIVISION and its assigned, attached and supporting units distinguished themselves through extraordinary heroism while engaged in military operations in Duc Pho and Mo Duc Districts, Quang Ngai Province, Republic of Vietnam during the period 22 April 1967 to 20 August 1967. As part of Task Force Oregon, the units operated on the coastal plains and the mountain regions against VC and NVA Main Force Elements and local force and guerrilla units in an area where the inhabitants were considered to be eighty percent Communist or Communist sympathizers. Demonstrating uncommon valor, perseverance and dedication to mission accomplishment, the officers and men of the task force took the offensive against a numerically superior enemy which was entrenched in its own well-fortified strongholds. The members of the 3D BRIGADE TASK FORCE, 4TH INFANTRY DIVISION committed all of their professional knowledge and resources to the cause of routing the highly motivated, well equipped and well prepared enemy from their complex of bunkers and hiding places which had served as their sanctuary for years. The gallantry and unfailing determination displayed by unit personnel, coupled with the lack of regard for their own personal safety, enabled them to successfully dislodge the hostile forces from control of the area, thus significantly advancing the Free World military effort in the Republic of Vietnam. The extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the 3D BRIGADE TASK FORCE, 4TH INFANTRY DIVISION are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves, their unit and the Armed Forces of the United States.

FOR THE COMMANDER:



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