

This is to Certify that
The President of the United States of America
Takes Pride in Presenting



**THE
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS**
to



GAIL W. FURROW

Citation: The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the Distinguished Service Cross to Gail W. Furrow, Captain (Infantry), U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations involving conflict with an armed hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam. Captain Furrow distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous actions on 22 June 1972 while serving as Senior Advisor, 11th Airborne Battalion, Airborne Division, Army of the Republic of Vietnam. On the morning of 22 June 1972, Captain Furrow's unit was attacked by a tank regiment and a battalion of infantry while occupying a defensive position in the vicinity of Quang Tri, Military Region I. Completely disregarding a wound he received early in the fight, Captain Furrow moved onto a burning friendly tank and dragged two wounded crewmen to safety. He then fought his way to an exposed observation point, stopping only long enough to personally move an antitank weapons system to a more safe position. He then defended the position against the swarming troops until tactical air support arrived. Once air assets became available, Captain Furrow repeatedly exposed himself to the intense enemy fire in order to place accurate airstrikes on the enemy assault waves. Relentlessly applying pressure, Captain Furrow caused the enemy to break off the attack and withdraw. His actions saved the battalion from almost certain devastation. Captain Furrow's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon himself, his unit and the United States Army.

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