

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
HEADQUARTERS 4TH INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO San Francisco 96262

GENERAL ORDERS  
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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced:

HOLMEN, ROBERT W 476-52-8723 PRIVATE FIRST CLASS United States Army, Co C,  
3d Bn, 8th Inf, 4th Inf Div, APO 96265

Awarded: Bronze Star Medal with "V" Device

Date action: 8 August 1969

Theater: Republic of Vietnam


Reason: For heroism in connection with military operations against an armed hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam. Private First Class Holmen distinguished himself while serving as a Rifleman with Company C, 3d Battalion, 8th Infantry, 4th Infantry Division. On 8 August 1969, Private First Class Holmen's unit was conducting a search and destroy operation near An Khe when they came in contact with a platoon size enemy force. Informed that a radio had been lost outside of the perimeter, Private First Class Holmen volunteered to go forward with two other men to retrieve it. With complete disregard for his personal safety, he exposed himself to the accurate enemy fire and crawled over several enemy bodies to get to the radio. Then laying down a heavy base of suppressive fire, he handed the radio to one of his comrades and covered their withdrawal back to the perimeter. Private First Class Holmen's personal bravery, initiative, and exemplary devotion to duty are 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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