



CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF
THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS
(FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER)
TO
AIRMAN FIRST CLASS TERRY E. CAFFERY

Sergeant Terry E. Caffery distinguished himself by extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as an HH-53 Pararescue Specialist in Southeast Asia on 21 March 1970. On that date, Sergeant Caffery participated in an extended rescue effort for a downed United States Air Force pilot deep within hostile territory. During the rescue, the recovery aircraft was subjected to intense and accurate hostile fire. When it appeared that a companion rescue helicopter was in danger of being hit, Sergeant Caffery directed fire at the truck mounted automatic weapon which was endangering the other helicopter and successfully silenced it, ensuring the safety of his fellow rescuemen. The professional competence, aerial skill, and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Caffery reflect at credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

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