



CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF
THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS
(FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER)
TO
SERGEANT TERRY E. CAFFERY

Sergeant Terry E. Caffery distinguished himself by heroism while participating in aerial flight as an HH-53 Pararescue Specialist in Southeast Asia on 21 April 1970. On that date, Sergeant Caffery and his fellow crewmembers rescued a downed American airman from deep in heavily fortified hostile territory. Even though exposed to intense and accurate hostile ground fire that had driven off another helicopter and seriously wounded one crew member, he maintained his unprotected position on the helicopter's ramp, providing precise maneuvering instructions to maintain rotor clearance, and laying down a steady stream of suppressive fire against the numerous gun positions during the extended hover required to complete the rescue. The outstanding heroism and selfless devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Caffery reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

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