



CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF
THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS
FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER

TO

STAFF SERGEANT LUTHER EUGENE DAVIS

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, July 2, 1926, takes pleasure in presenting the Distinguished Flying Cross, First Oak Leaf Cluster to Staff Sergeant Luther Eugene Davis, United States Air Force, for heroism while participating in aerial flight as Pararescue Technician of an HH-3E helicopter near Dak Nay Puey, Republic of Vietnam, on 15 April 1970. On that date, Sergeant Davis' crew was attempting the rescue of a United States Army helicopter crew when he was wounded on the first attempt. With complete disregard for his personal safety, Sergeant Davis continued to deliver extremely accurate suppressive fire from his exposed position in the helicopter on two more attempts until his own helicopter was shot down, then continued to try to rescue his own crewmembers even though severely burned himself. The outstanding heroism and selfless devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Davis reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

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