



CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF  
THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS  
TO  
STAFF SERGEANT CHARLES JENKINS

Staff Sergeant Charles Jenkins distinguished himself by extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as an HH-43F Pararescue Specialist near Pleiku Air Base, Republic of Vietnam on 29 October 1966. On that date, Sergeant Jenkins was lowered by hoist into a known hostile area to effect the recovery of two pilots whose aircraft had been shot down the night before. The two pilots were recovered, but the helicopter had to leave due to heavy ground fire in the area of the pick-up site where Sergeant Jenkins remained for the most part of a day assisting other Army wounded and returning fire when possible. The professional competence, aerial skill, and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Jenkins reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

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