

Enlisted Hero Walk Lackland AFB



Staff Sergeant Larry D. Bower

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Silver Star

Vietnam

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, July 2, 1926, takes pleasure in presenting the Distinguished Flying Cross to Sergeant Larry D. Bower, United States Air Force, for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight as an AC-130 Gunship Illuminator Operator over Southeast Asia on 2 April 1970. On that date, while flying a night armed reconnaissance mission over hostile supply trails leading to South Vietnamese cities, he displayed the highest degree of courage, skill and unwillingness to accept defeat. His actions contributed directly to

the destruction of 12 trucks and the ignition of 6 secondary fires and 3 large explosions. The professional competence, aerial skill, and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Bower reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.