

AWARD OF THE MEDAL OF HONOR



By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), the Medal of Honor for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of life above and beyond the call of duty is awarded posthumously by the Department of the Army in the name of Congress to the following-named enlisted man:



Corporal *Gordon M. Craig* (Service No. _____), 16th Reconnaissance Company, 1st Cavalry Division, United States Army, distinguished himself by conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty in action against the enemy near Kasan, Korea, on 10 September 1950. During the attack on a strategic enemy-held hill, his company's advance was subjected to intense hostile grenade, mortar, and small-arms fire. Corporal *Craig* and four comrades moved forward to eliminate an enemy machine-gun nest that was hampering the company's advance. At that instance an enemy machine gunner hurled a hand grenade at the advancing men. Without hesitating or attempting to seek cover for himself, Corporal *Craig* threw himself on the grenade and smothered its burst with his body. His intrepid and selfless act, in which he unhesitatingly gave his life for his comrades, inspired them to attack with such ferocity that they annihilated the enemy machine-gun crew, thereby enabling the company to continue its attack. Corporal *Craig's* noble self-sacrifice reflects the highest credit on himself and upholds the esteemed traditions of the military service.



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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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