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## 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 *Mitchell Red Cloud, Jr.* (Service No. RA ), Company E, 19th Infantry Regiment, United States Army, distinguished himself by conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty in action against the enemy near Chonghyon, Korea, on 5 November 1950. From his position on the point of a ridge immediately in front of the company command post, he was the first to detect the approach of the Chinese Communist forces and give the alarm as the enemy charged from a brush-covered area less than 100 feet from him. Springing up, he delivered devastating point-blank automatic-rifle fire into the advancing enemy. His accurate and intense fire checked this assault and gained time for the company to consolidate its defense. With utter fearlessness, Corporal *Red Cloud* maintained his firing position until severely wounded by enemy fire. Refusing assistance, he pulled himself to his feet, wrapped his arm around a tree, and continued his deadly fire until again, and fatally, wounded. This heroic act stopped the enemy from overrunning his company's position and gained time for reorganization and evacuation of the wounded. Corporal *Red Cloud's* dauntless courage and gallant self-sacrifice reflect the highest credit on himself and uphold the esteemed traditions of the United States Army.



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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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