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GENERAL ROSCOE ROBINSON, JR.

The death of General Roscoe Robinson, Jr., United States Army, on 22 July 1993 at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, D.C. is announced with deep regret.

General Robinson was an officer of the highest ideals. His courage, sound judgment, and superb leadership produced brilliant military achievements of the greatest value to his country. With his passing the nation has lost a faithful, valiant servant and the United States Army, a commander of great stature.

General Roscoe Robinson, Jr. was born in Saint Louis, Missouri on 11 October 1928. He was graduated from the United States Military Academy in June 1951 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering and commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant of Infantry.

He also completed a masters program in International Relations from the University of Pittsburgh. His military education includes completion of the Infantry Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, the United States Army Command and General Staff College, and the National War College.

He held a wide variety of important command and staff positions culminating in his last assignment as United States Representative to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Military Committee, International Military Activities. Other key assignments held during his distinguished military career include Commanding General, 82d Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Deputy Chief of Staff of Operations, United States Army Europe and Seventh Army; and Commanding General, United States Army Japan/IX Corps.

General Robinson served in a variety of important career building assignments preparatory to his final assignment with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. He served as Personnel Management Officer, Infantry Branch, Officer Personnel Directorate, Office of Personnel Operations, Washington, D.C. In Vietnam, he was Deputy Chief of Staff, G4 (Logistics), 1st Cavalry Division, and subsequently Commander, 2d Battalion, 7th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division. After completion of the National War College

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at Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C., he became Plans Officer, later Southeast Asia Special Actions Officer, J5 (Plans), United States Pacific Command, Hawaii. He was Commander, 2d Brigade, 82d Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, North Carolina and then departed for Okinawa where he became Deputy Commander of the United States Army Garrison, later becoming Commanding General, United States Army Garrison, Okinawa.

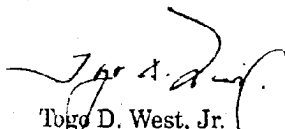
For his exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service, General Robinson's awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Silver Star (with Oak Leaf Cluster), Legion of Merit (with two Oak Leaf Clusters), Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star Medal, Air Medals, Army Commendation Medal, Combat Infantryman's Badge (2d Award), Master Parachutist Badge, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge.

He retired from active duty on 30 November 1985, but remained active in business as well as conducting several studies for the Department of the Army. He served on the Boards of Directors for Giant Foods Corporation, COMSAT Corporation, Washington Mutual Fund, Alliant Tech Corporation, Metropolitan Life Insurance Corporation, Armed Forces Benefit Association, McDonnell Douglas Corporation, and Wackenhut, Incorporated. Recently, he served as the chairman of the review panel to study the performance of the 24th Infantry Regiment during the Korean War. Attesting to his lifetime of service to the nation, the Association of Graduates of the United States Military Academy awarded him the Distinguished Graduate Award in May 1993.

General Robinson's life was characterized by courage, dedication, vision, and patriotism. These qualities earned him the respect of all who knew him. The grief caused by the death of General Robinson is deeply shared by all members of the United States Army.

General Robinson is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mildred E. Robinson, his daughter Carol Robinson Royal, and his son, Bruce E. (Captain, U.S. Army).

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Secretary of the Army

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