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OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL



Award of the Distinguished-Service Cross

Citation

SECOND LIEUTENANT GRANT W. CLAYMORE, 01825050, Infantry, while serving with the Army of the United States, distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations in Germany on 11 April 1945. When a tank destroyer was hit and set afire by an enemy panzerfaust, the explosion resulted in the serious injury of several members of the crew who were unable to escape because of their wounds. Despite intense enemy machine gun, mortar, artillery and rifle fire directed at their position, Lieutenant Claymore dashed into the blazing destroyer and pulled his sergeant gunner to a place of safety. Returning to the flaming vehicle which had now become so intensely hot that its ammunition was exploding, Lieutenant Claymore pulled another member of the crew to safety. The extraordinary heroism and courageous action of Lieutenant Claymore reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.