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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY
USAF ACADEMY, COLORADO 80840

REPLY TO ATTN OF: DPMP

28 Oct 66

SUBJECT: Presentation of a Foreign Decoration, Posthumous, to the Widow of Captain Harlow K. Halbower

TO: Captain RICHARD T. MATHEWS., (CSAG)

1. The Superintendent wishes to inform you of the presentation ceremony of a Foreign Decoration, posthumous, to Mrs. Anna L. Halbower in honor of her late husband, a 1959 graduate of the USAF Academy.

2. The Superintendent will present Republic of Vietnam's, The National Order, Fifth Class, and the Gallantry Cross with Palm, to Mrs. Halbower on 9 November 1966 at 1100 hours in his office.

3. Your attendance is desired providing your work schedule will permit. Request you assemble in the lobby of the Superintendent's office, Room 342, Harmon Hall, at 1045 hours.

SALVIE L. REID, Lt Col, USAF
Chief, CBPO

Grad's Gallantry Earns High Vietnamese Awards

Posthumous award of two high Vietnamese decorations has been made to a member of the Academy's first graduating class.

Mrs. Dee Halbower, widow of Capt. Harlow K. Halbower, received the decorations from Superintendent, Lt. Gen. Thomas S. Moorman.

The decorations were the National Order, Fifth Class, and the Gallantry Cross with Palm.

Captain Halbower, Class of 1959, died last January in performance of an extremely vital mission as a forward air controller.

HEROIC RECORD

One of the most decorated American pilots, Captain Halbower earned, in addition to the Vietnamese decorations, the Silver Star, Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal with 11 clusters, and the Purple Heart.