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March 25, 2016

RE: Veteran's Name: FRITCH, James William
SSN/SN:
Request Number:

Dear Recipient:

Thank you for contacting the National Personnel Records Center. We are providing the releasable military service information based on restrictions imposed by the military services consistent with Department of Defense regulations and the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act of 1974. Releasable information has been transcribed, photocopied, or a combination of both, in order to comply with your request.

If additional information is needed, the Privacy Act of 1974 requires the written consent (signature) of the individual to whom the record pertains. If the individual is deceased, we must have the written consent of the next of kin and proof of death. The next of kin is defined as: unremarried widow or widower, son, daughter, father, mother, brother or sister. The following are acceptable forms of proof of death:

- Death certificate
- Newspaper article (obituary) or death notice
- Coroner's report of death
- Funeral director's signed statement of death
- Verdict of coroner's jury
- If death occurred outside the United States, any document similar to one of the preceding five, or a report of death signed by a United States consul or other agent of the State Department.

If you have questions or comments regarding this response, you may contact us at 314-801-0800 or by mail at the address shown in the letterhead above. If you contact us, please reference the Request Number listed above. If you are a veteran, or a deceased veteran's next of kin, please consider submitting your future requests online by visiting us at <http://vetrecs.archives.gov>.

Sincerely,

INDIA WILSON
Archives Technician (AFN-MC4B)

Enclosure(s)



**We Value Our
Veterans' Privacy**

*Let us know if we have
failed to protect it.*

INFORMATION RELEASABLE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT**NAME:**

Fritch, James William

BRANCH OF SERVICE AND SERIAL/SERVICE NUMBER(S):

United States Army

DATES OF SERVICE:

July 18, 1986 to March 27, 1992

DUTY STATUS:

Discharged

RANK/GRADE:

Sergeant/ E-5

SALARY:

N/A

SOURCE OF COMMISSION:

N/A

PROMOTION SEQUENCE NUMBER:

N/A

ASSIGNMENTS AND GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATIONS:

See Attached

MILITARY EDUCATION:

See Attached

DECORATIONS AND AWARDS:

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award w/Oak Leaf Cluster// Air Force Good Conduct Medal// Air Force Achievement Medal W/Oak Leaf Cluster// Air Force Training Ribbon// Air Force Longevity Service Award Ribbon// Army Commendation Medal// Good Conduct Medal// National Defense Service Medal// Overseas Service Ribbon// Army Service Ribbon//

TRANSCRIPT OF COURT-MARTIAL TRIAL:

Not In File

PHOTOGRAPH:

N/A

PLACE OF ENTRY:

Portland Meps (1986); Washington, DC (1990)

PLACE OF SEPARATION:

Washington, DC

FOR DECEASED VETERAN ONLY**PLACE OF BIRTH****DATE OF DEATH****LOCATION OF DEATH****PLACE OF BURIAL**

NOTE: N/A denotes information is not available in the veteran's records

13	PILOT RATINGS		ORIGINAL	DATE	CURRENT	DATE
	14		FLYING STATUS		CONT	

15	INSTRUMENT CERTIFICATION		INTERNSHIPS, RESIDENCIES AND FELLOWSHIPS		MONTHS	YEAR
	HOSPITAL		TYPE OR SERVICE		CONT	

16	HOSPITAL/TEACHING APPOINTMENTS AND PRIVATE PRACTICE		FROM	THRU	INSTITUTION/LOCATION	TYPE	CONT
	20		BASIC ENLISTED SERVICE		DATE (BESD)		CONT

21	21		TIME LOST (Sec 972, Title 10, USC)		FROM	THRU	DAYS	REASON	CONT
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17	CIVILIAN EDUCATION AND MILITARY SCHOOLS		SCHOOL	MAJOR/COURSE/MOSC	DURAT	COMP	YEAR	CONT					
	22		PHYSICAL STATUS		HEIGHT		WEIGHT		GLASSES		23		PLACE OF BIRTH AND CITIZENSHIP

24	24		NUMBER OF DEPENDENTS		ADULT		CHILDREN		25		HOME OF RECORD/ADDRESS		
	26		JOB TITLE:		CIVILIAN OCCUPATION		DOT CODE		CRITICAL OCCUPATION		NO. MONTHS EMPLOYED		MOSC

25	25		CITIZENSHIP OF SPOUSE		DATE OF EXAM		26		CIVILIAN OCCUPATION		CUTIES PERFORMED		EMPLOYER	
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SECTION VII - CURRENT AND PREVIOUS ASSIGNMENTS

RECORD OF ASSIGNMENTS

EFFECTIVE DATE	DUTY MOSC	PRINCIPAL DUTY	ORGANIZATION AND STATION OR OVERSEA COUNTRY	NON-DUTY	NON-RATED	TYPE REPORT
				DAYS	DAYS	
DATE				BP	EP	
				YR/MO	YR/MO	
811207	860406	E-4 USAF Honorable Discharge	PROVIDE (PROVIDE REF 860821)			
860118	-	Enlistment	Pacificus Mops			
860821	91A00	CASUAL	CO B 2ND BN TRNE AHS HS FSHTX			
861107	-	AIT	ENROUTE TO GERMANY			
861205	91A10	MEDICAL AIDE	HAF 12th AF (Germany)			
880123	91A10	MEDICAL AIDE	Co. C WRAMC, WASHINGTON D. C			
900119	-	CASUAL	ENROUTE TO FT SAM HOUSTON TX			
900126	91C	STUDENT	D CO 187th MFD RN AHS FSHTX			
900308	-	CASUAL	ENR TO FT BRAGG, NC			
900326	-	STU (91C)	STU DET MEDDAC FT BRAGG NC			
910419	-	CASUAL	ENROUTE TO WASH DC			
910528	91C20	PRCTICL NURSE	CO C WEMC WASHINGTON DC			
920327	-	DISCHARGE	AUTH: PARA 4-248(3) NR 635-40			

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT
THE AIR FORCE ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

HAS BEEN AWARDED TO

AIRMAN FIRST CLASS JAMES W. FRITCH

FOR

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT
23 October 1983 to 10 November 1983

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Airman Fritch distinguished himself by outstanding achievement as a member of the Beirut Mass Casualty Identification Team, Rhein-Main Air Base, Germany, from 23 October 1983 to 10 November 1983. Airman Fritch's dedication and regard for his fellow man, aided in the identification, preparation and return to the United States of the remains of 239 military members killed in action in Beirut, Lebanon. The unselfish actions of Airman Fritch reflect credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS 8th DAY OF February 19 84

Ernest C. Peirolo

ERNEST C. PEIROLO, Colonel, USAF
Commander





DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

THE AIR FORCE ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

(FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER)

HAS BEEN AWARDED TO

SENIOR AIRMAN JAMES W. FRITCH

FOR

MERITORIOUS SERVICE

21 April 1982 to 18 April 1985

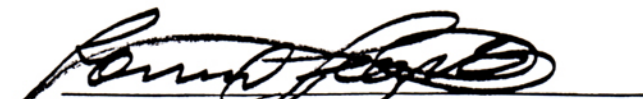
ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Airman Fritch's outstanding job performance and knowledge of law enforcement operations displayed during critical situations effectively ensured the security of Rhein-Main Air Base, Germany, and contributed to his unit's many outstanding achievements.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS

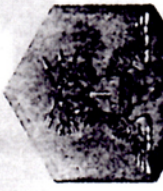
DAY OF

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RONNIE C. PEOPLES, Colonel, USAF
Vice Commander





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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY HAS AWARDED

THE ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL,

TO **SPECIALIST FOUR JAMES W. FRITCH, UNITED STATES ARMY**

FOR MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT IN SAVING THE LIFE OF A WOMAN ON 25 NOVEMBER 1986, WHILE ASSIGNED TO HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS TROOP, 3D SQUADRON, 12TH CAVALRY, 3D ARMORED DIVISION. REMAINING CALM AND PROFESSIONAL THROUGHOUT THE CRISIS, SPECIALIST FOUR FRITCH SAVED A WOMAN'S LIFE WHO HAD STOPPED BREATHING. HE DEMONSTRATED HIS SUPERB MEDICAL COMPETENCE BY REVIVING AND STABILIZING HER UNTIL MEDICAL AUTHORITIES ARRIVED. AS A RESULT OF HIS QUICK RESPONSE, UNFALTERING ACTION AND TECHNICAL EXPERTISE HE PROVIDED THE IMMEDIATE CARE WITHOUT WHICH SHE WOULD HAVE DIED. SPECIALIST FOUR FRITCH'S OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE OF DUTY REFLECTS GREAT CREDIT UPON HIMSELF, THE 3D ARMORED DIVISION AND THE UNITED STATES ARMY.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND IN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON
THIS 7TH DAY OF MAY 19 87

William H. Roche
WILLIAM H. ROCHE
Brigadier General, USA
Acting Commander



John W. Oswald, Jr.
SECRETARY OF THE ARMY