

Distinguished Service Shaft



Be it known to all who shall view these Presents,

1ST LIEUTENANT CHARLES LANE TOWNER

was hereby awarded The Distinguished Service Shaft for his outstanding acceptance of duty which at least one time caused him to feel the shaft buried to hilt and did not flinch when it was broken off, further more he walked from the field of Honor in a soldierly and stately manner assisted only by the lodged piece of shaft. This award is further honored by at least two of the following merits:

- () He at no time knew the shaft was in the hand of him who shoved it.
- () He will not hesitate to give the shaft to the one who gave it.
- () He was in the service long enough to know the shaft would break.
- () He still smiles at him who broke it-knowing there'll come a time.
- () He will soldier diligently so he may present a shaft to someone.
- () He will not slump until the remaining piece is removed.

His most outstanding merit for this award is thus:

EXTENSION TO DEROS DATE
SUPPLY OFFICER AT H-2

Given at LANGANES AIR FORCE STATION, ICELAND

This 7TH Day of MAY, 1959

These witnesses verify that the above named recipient did well receive the shaft:

Capt D. D. Phillips

Sherman S. Miller

Joe F. Brown

Alba E. C. Lee

Robert E. Fitzgerald

Donald H. Jondell

John W. Neenith

George G. Casano