

Travis Henry Scott, Jr.

Born: 29 April 1943 – 15 April 1970

(aged 26)

Captain Scott was engaged in the rescue of a crew of a United States Army helicopter which was shot down by enemy ground fire. With display of great skill and professional airmanship, Captain Scott made two earlier attempts to position his helicopter, but each time he was driven off by heavy ground fire, which inflicted damage to his helicopter. After assessing the damage to his helicopter, and assuring that his crew was able to continue with the mission, Captain Scott requested and received permission to make a third rescue attempt. In this attempt, the helicopter was severely damaged by an intense burst of heavy automatic weapons fire. Captain Scott heroically struggled to keep his crippled helicopter airborne and, with sheer determination and a deep concern for his fellow men, he crash landed his helicopter in order to save the lives of his crew and passengers.

Travis Henry Scott, Jr., was posthumously awarded the Air Force Cross for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an opposing armed force as an HH-53C Aircraft Commander of the 37th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron.

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