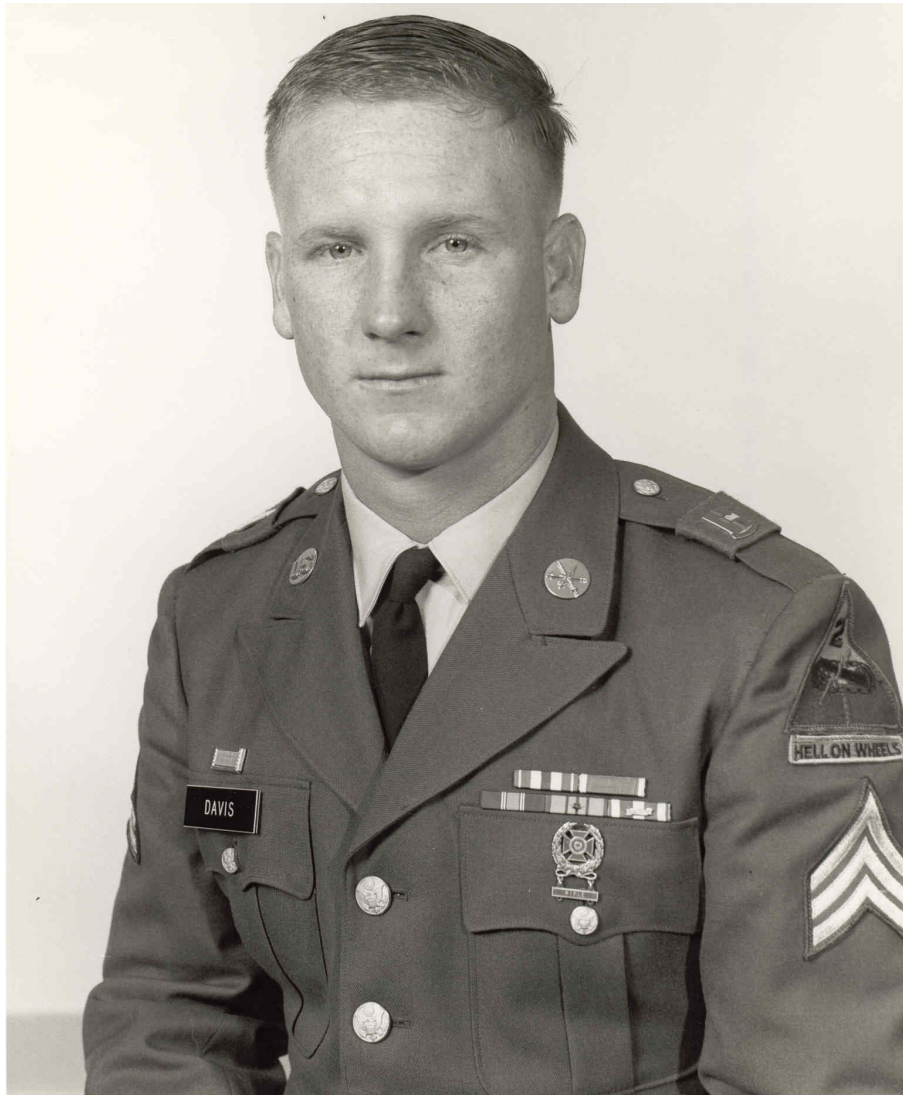


Vietnam War – U.S. Army

Sammy Lee Davis



SERGEANT FIRST CLASS (RETIRED) SAMMY LEE DAVIS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

**College of Biomedical Equipment Technology
626 Merit Scholarship Application**



SAMMY LEE DAVIS, SFC (U.S. ARMY, RETIRED)

RANK & SERVICE BRANCH: Private First Class (Highest Rank: Sergeant First Class), U.S. Army

CONFLICT/SERVICE ERA: Vietnam War

UNIT/COMMAND: Battery C, 2nd Battalion, 4th Artillery, 9th Infantry Division

MEDAL OF HONOR ACTION DATE: November 18, 1967

MEDAL OF HONOR ACTION PLACE: Firebase Cudgil, Wet of Cai Lay, Republic of Vietnam

CITATION

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty. Sgt. Davis (then Pfc.) distinguished himself during the early morning hours while serving as a cannoneer with Battery C, at a remote fire support base. At approximately 0200 hours the fire support base was under heavy enemy mortar attack. Simultaneously, an estimated reinforced Viet Cong battalion launched a fierce ground assault upon the fire support base. The attacking enemy drove to within 25 meters of the friendly positions. Only a river separated the Viet Cong from the fire support base. Detecting a nearby enemy position, Sgt. Davis seized a machine gun and provided covering fire for his gun crew, as they attempted to bring direct artillery fire on the enemy. Despite his efforts, an enemy recoilless-rifle round scored a direct hit upon the artillery piece. The resultant blast hurled the gun crew from their weapon and blew Sgt. Davis into a foxhole. He struggled to his feet and returned to the howitzer, which was burning furiously. Ignoring repeated warnings to seek cover, Sgt. Davis rammed a shell into the gun. Disregarding a withering hail of enemy fire directed against his position, he aimed and fired the howitzer which rolled backward, knocking Sgt. Davis violently to the ground. Undaunted, he returned to the weapon to fire again when an enemy mortar round exploded within 20 meters of his position, injuring him painfully. Nevertheless, Sgt. Davis loaded the artillery piece, aimed, and fired. Again, he was knocked down by the recoil. In complete disregard for his safety, Sgt. Davis loaded and fired three more shells into the enemy. Disregarding his extensive injuries and his inability to swim, Sgt. Davis picked up an air mattress and struck out across the deep river to rescue three wounded comrades on the far side. Upon reaching the three wounded men, he stood upright and fired into the dense vegetation to prevent the Viet Cong from advancing. While the most seriously wounded soldier was helped across the river, Sgt. Davis protected the two remaining casualties until he could pull them across the river to the fire support base. Though suffering from painful wounds, he refused medical attention, joining another howitzer crew which fired at the large Viet Cong force until it broke contact and fled. Sgt. Davis' extraordinary heroism, at the risk of his life, is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit upon himself and the U.S. Army.



Application Details

About our Friends at 626

Founded by Philip Revien and Michael Fischer in 2014, 626 provides maintenance expertise on all medical technology equipment manufacturers and modalities. Philip and Michael first met in the maternity ward of a South Florida hospital on June 26, 2012, the day each of their sons were born. The vision for 626 (a tribute to their sons' birthdates) was also born that day. Since inception, the company has grown significantly, expanding to include broad range of companies dedicated to improving patient care through quality service.

With nearly 200 employees nationally, 626 has emerged as one of the fastest-growing third-party companies in the United States. The 626 family of companies includes California Radiographics, Inc., DigitecMedical, Independence Cryogenic Engineering (ICE), Injector Support and Service (iSS), PhiGEM Diagnostic Imaging Parts, Walsh Imaging, and Medical Imaging Solutions (MIS).



About the Sergeant First Class Sammy Lee Davis Merit Scholarship

The Sergeant First Class Sammy Lee Davis Merit Scholarship is intended to recognize talented students, CBET program graduates, and other technicians and engineers seeking advanced Imaging Education, Training, and Professional Development. The scholarship is sponsored by 626, a National Imaging Services provider. Learn more about 626 by visiting their site at <https://weare626.com/about/>

This is a highly competitive scholarship opportunity designed to promote the advancement of talented biomedical equipment technicians into the Imaging career field. Scholarship award amounts are determined by the scholarship selection committee on a case-by-case basis, based on the criteria below. All scholarship awards must be applied to College of Biomedical Equipment Technology programs and courses offered as part of the Imaging Academy.

Award recipients may be offered full-time employment upon successful completion of the program. If offered, awardees will be required to fulfill a minimum 3-year (36 month) tenure of service with 626 Imaging.

Personal information collected as part of the scholarship process will only be shared with the scholarship selection committee.

Part I | Biographical Data

To request an enrollment application, submit your contact data to the CBET admissions officer through our online portal at <https://cbet.edu/admissions>. Upon submission of the application, be sure your information is accurate and complete for notification purposes. You will be required to submit:

- ☐ A complete Enrollment Application
- ☐ Photocopy of a Government Issued ID Card as proof of eligibility
- ☐ Proof of High School Graduation or GED Completion (Diploma or Transcript)
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Post-secondary Academic Transcripts
- ☐ Commitment Letter

Part II | Biographical Data

As part of the scholarship consideration process, the Scholarship Committee would like to know a little bit more about each applicant. Please also submit a short essay, 250-300 words in length, describing your professional objectives and why you are qualified to serve as an Imaging Engineer. You may also submit any certificates, awards, or recognitions you feel are relevant to the application. Be sure to highlight skills, talents, and experiences which are aligned with the qualifications and expectations of an Imaging Field Service Engineer.

- ☐ Short essay response (250-300 word maximum)
- ☐ Certificates, Awards, Recognitions (Not Mandatory)

Part III | Endorsements

Lastly, we would like to hear from your professional colleagues, former instructors, or others with whom you share a professional relationship. We are interested in your capacity for advanced imaging education and training as well as your professional work ethic. For this scholarship, the best letters of recommendation are from those with whom you served professionally. Please provide a minimum of two (2) letters of recommendation. Endorsements must come from the provider and should be sent directly to admissiondept@cbet.edu.

- ☐ Letter of Recommendation 1
- ☐ Letter of Recommendation 2

Part IV | Submission

Your complete scholarship submission must be received before consideration will be given to your application. The Scholarship Committee is looking forward to hearing from you. For questions regarding the scholarship or how to apply, you may also call us directly at 210.233.1102 or by e-mailing the Student Admissions Team at admissiondept@cbet.edu.