

**Distinguished Flying Cross (DFC)
Trevor Keith Butler**

82012. Flying Officer.
Royal NZ Air Force
Attached 9 Sqn RAAF

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CITATION

For gallantry and distinguished service during action in Vietnam.

On 7 May 1969, while leading a helicopter heavy-fire team in support of a company of South Vietnamese troops which was in heavy contact with a superior enemy force and in danger of being overrun, Flying Officer Butler, despite heavy retaliatory fire, and with great courage and determination, led his flight into an accurate and decisive attack on the enemy position, killing seven of the enemy during the action.

During his tour of duty Flying Officer Butler took part in many long-range air reconnaissance patrol operations and many medical evacuation flights.

His actions on these occasions, often in the face of strong enemy opposition, were exemplary and in keeping with the finest traditions of the Service.

Notes to Citation:

Born Gore 24 Feb 1947. Served in the RNZAF from 11 Jan 1965 to 4 Feb 1988. Was awarded Queens Commendation for Valuable Service in the Air (New Years Honours 1976) for service in Singapore 1973-1975 in 41 Sqn RNZAF as an Iroquois pilot.

Later served as CO 40 Sqn (727/Hercules) from 1984 to 1987.