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RECOMMENDATION FOR HONOURS OR AWARDS

Army Number 216899

Rank Corporal
(Substantive)

(Temporary) (Honorary)

Christian Names (in full) Allen Patrick Paul

Surname RAE
(Block Letters)

Decorations Nil

Corps Royal Australian Army Medical Corps

Unit and Posting 9th Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment - Medical Assistant

Date of Birth 1st January, 1944

Date of Enlistment 13th April, 1966

Next of Kin Mr P.H. RAE

Relationship Father

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Recommendation in respect of —
* (i) [redacted]
* (ii) [redacted]
* (iii) [redacted]
* (iv) Periodical (Operational)
* (v) [redacted]

* Strike out where not applicable.

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CAG No

LG No

Recommended by	Honour or Award
(A.L. MORRISON) Lieutenant Colonel, Commanding Officer, 9th Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment	MM
Brigadier [signature] Commander 1st Australian Task Force	MM
[signature] (R. A. HAY) Major General Commander Australian Force VIETNAM	mm

	Date Received	Date Forwarded
Brigade	31 MAY 1969	10 JUN 1969
Division	1 JUN 1969	[illegible]
Corps		
Army		

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Recommended for the award of the M M

[signature]
Major-General
Adjutant-General

CITATION (to be completed by the initiating officer)

Place NUI DAT, SOUTH VIETNAM Date 26th May, 1969.

Corporal Allen Rae enlisted in the Australian Regular Army on 13th April, 1966 and was allotted to the Royal Australian Army Medical Corps. He was posted to 9th Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment as a Corporal Medical Assistant on 19th November 1967 and was attached to A Company. He arrived in South Vietnam with the battalion on 20th November, 1968.

On 11th January, 1969, 3 Platoon, A Company contacted a large number of enemy in a bunker system and the whole of the platoon was pinned down by the fire of rockets, claymores and heavy and light machine guns. Two members of the leading section were wounded. Corporal Rae, on reaching the area with company headquarters, went forward to 3 Platoon. In spite of the intense enemy fire, Corporal Rae moved to the wounded men, extracting them one at a time to a location in rear of the contact area, where he could tend the wounds.

At 1400 hours on 18th January, 1969, 3 Platoon was the leading element of A Company when it contacted a group of enemy. In the fire-fight the forward scout of the platoon was seriously wounded only 15 metres from the enemy. On learning of the casualty Corporal Rae quickly moved forward from company headquarters to the contact area. He asked for covering fire from the platoon and then crawled forward to the wounded man. He gave him a morphine injection and crawled out of the contact area carrying the wounded man on his back. Throughout this period, the enemy continued to engage the contact area with automatic small arms fire.

On these and other occasions Corporal Rae consistently showed outstanding devotion to duty in his care and treatment of wounded comrades, often at considerable risk to his own life. His actions accord with the highest principles of his corps and are an inspiration to all who serve with him.