First Lieutenant John W. Maskell (Class 70-43)

Distinguished Service Cross

Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, U.S. Army General Orders No. 120 (1945)

SYNOPSIS: First Lieutenant (Field Artillery) John W. Maskell, United States Army, was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy while serving with the 242d Field Artillery Battalion, in action against enemy forces from 14 to 17 December 1944. First Lieutenant Maskell's intrepid actions, personal bravery and zealous devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States and reflect great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army.