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**1.** Bennie G. Adkins is promoted to the rank of command sergeant major, with the help of his wife, Mary.

**2.** Command Sgt. Major Bennie G. Adkins (second from the left) is presented a "Citation of Service" and a savings bond from the town of Spring Lake, N.C., in 1967, by C.C. Powers, president, Chamber of Commerce (left), Layton Norris, mayor of Spring Lake (second from right), and 1st Lt. Francis Dahmer (right), with the Information Office, 18th Airborne Corps.

**3.** Then-Sgt. 1st Class Bennie G. Adkins receives an Army Commendation Medal from the Commander of the 7th Special Forces Group, in 1964, at Fort Bragg, N.C.

**4.** Command Sgt. Major Bennie G. Adkins, in 1966.

**5.** Lt. Col. Ken Facey presents the Purple Heart to then-Sgt. 1st Class Bennie G. Adkins, in 1966, in Vietnam.

**6.** Then Sgt. 1st Class Bennie G. Adkins re-enlists in the Army, in 1964.

**7.** Distinguished Service Cross recipients (from left to right), then-Sgt. 1st Class Bennie G. Adkins, Capt. Lewis Mari (center), then-Sgt. 1st Class Victor Underwood, in 1967.

**8.** Then-Sgt. 1st Class Bennie G. Adkins (far left), poses for a group photo the day he received the Distinguished Service Cross.

**9.** Then-Sgt. 1st Class Major Bennie G. Adkins poses for a photo with his son, Wayne, at the Airborne School at Fort Bragg, N.C.

**10.** Then-Sgt. 1st Class Major Bennie G. Adkins poses for a photo with his wife, Mary, his son, Keith, and his son, Wayne, at the Airborne School at Fort Bragg, N.C.

**11.** A Shau Valley 1966, Special Forces camp after battle.

**12.** A Shau Valley 1966, Special Forces camp after battle.

**13.** A Shau Valley 1966, Special Forces camp after battle (downed helicopter).