

Did you know that G.I. Joe works for David A. Bramble, Inc.?



In Vietnam

Army Specialist Five Joseph R. Hutson, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Medford Hutson, Gramby St., Greensboro, Md., received the Air Medal April 20 in Vietnam.

Spec. Hutson received the award for heroism in aerial flight in connection with ground operations against a hostile force in Vietnam.

The specialist, a crew chief in Company A of the 9th Infantry Division's 9th Aviation Battalion, entered the Army in February 1966 and completed basic training at Ft. Gordon, Ga.

The specialist is a 1964 graduate of North Carolina High School at Denton.

Spec. Hutson's actual text of citation is as follows:

For heroism while participating in aerial flight in the Republic of Vietnam:

SPECIALIST FIVE HUTSON distinguished himself on the morning of 16 April 1968, while serving as a Helicopter Crew Chief with Company A, 9th Aviation Battalion, 9th Infantry Division, about eight kilometers southeast of Fire Support Base Grey, Long Thanh Province, Vietnam. His and another helicopter received a call for extraction from a 10-man long range reconnaissance - ambush team of Company E, 50th Infantry, 9th Infantry Division, which was encircled by an estimated company of Viet Cong that had set the tall elephant grass of the landing zone on fire. The other helicopter had arrived on the scene first and had extracted the dead and wounded team members. Although gunships were on their way to provide fire support and would arrive within five minutes, the decision was made to effect an immediate landing and begin extraction of the beleaguered team. As the helicopter began its unescorted descent into the flaming landing zone, Specialist Hutson delivered an intense volume of suppressive fire upon the enemy positions. Despite the heavy enemy fire from all directions and the intense heat of the billowing flames only 30 meters away, Specialist Hutson fired over 2000 rounds with devastating effect, enabling the evacuation of the remainder of the team to be accomplished.

Yes, Joe Hutson-----Who knew?

Joe is a Highly decorated veteran. We all owe our gratitude to Joe and the others that have served and sacrificed to keep our country and us free.

Thank you Joe!!!

P.S. What happened to the hair?



What is this?..... Listings for the famous Barrett/Jackson Auto Auction? Part of the Reggie Jackson or Jay Leno collection? No—**These** trophy winning vehicles reside in the Bob Wetmore garage. Each one is a prize and maybe if you asked Bob nicely, he may let you borrow one for a cruise.----- **NOT!**



He's Back!!!!



And we are glad. - Phil Larrimore stopped by the office to say “Hi” after his heart surgery. He says he feels good and he looks well. He hopes to be back to work soon and we will all be glad for that. (Especially Art). Phil makes our jobs easier with his skill on his grader, but we miss him most for his jolly-easy going personality. We all like to have Phil on our job.

Good Luck Phil!

Problems----Problems----Problems

Yes we are all having them. Equipment breaking down (especially rollers), not enough mechanics, not enough trucks, not the right kind of trucks, hauling longer from farther plants, not enough stone, not enough M.O.T. people, not enough help period! And all of a sudden IT'S HOT!!!



It seems the only thing we are not running out of is work. We are as busy as we can be. That's why we are having these problems. If we didn't have the work we wouldn't have the problems. So, are the problems good? Well maybe not, but it's good for all of us to have plenty of work. In spite of it all, we are getting support from other parts of the company and making good progress.

Bob and Crew has completed several Dorchester XX jobs, any one of them worthy of a Paving Award, plus a Queen Anne's County XX- Rt. 304.

Keith and his men tackled QA257 Rt. 213- Centreville and made quick work of most of the job only to be held up by pipe delays on the North end and the Murdock entrance on the south end, but all is complete now!





He was also able to complete the Talbot County Glebe Rd job, which involved Art's guys widening then Keith and crew overlaid with rubber asphalt. That's right, old tires shredded and dumped into the plant. This was a good road for a rubber asphalt test as it contained many wide deep cracks and holes

which we did not patch first. Will it work?

Only time will tell. Is it the paving of the future? We don't know. It is expensive now, but we need to try to keep up with any new mixes. Keith and his crew did not experience any major problems with the mix. The job looks good. Now we will wait and see just how long it takes for the old cracks and bumps to reflect thru.



As always, Art and his crew have been everywhere. From Symphony Village to Rt. 16 Greenwood, DE. Doing every kind of paving you can think of. In Delaware, with Roger Lewis' support, they battled old concrete road hot mix patching. It took major planning, major help, and

major luck to battle the heat and thunderstorm threats for concrete removal and 15 inch type B full depth hot mix patching.



Thanks to all milling and paving people that worked hard and quick to complete the LB Administration building job. Probably a 3 or 4 day project completed in 2 Saturdays and paved under the threat of severe thunderstorms.

Mr. Pete Eaton always supplies our crews with the smoothest MOT (*maintenance of traffic* for all of you non-roadies). Pete has been setting 'em up – moving 'em – and taking down lane closures and other traffic handling goodies since May 1989. We not only trust him with our equipment, but we trust him with our lives.



June is gone already and we have night work, SMA, lots of XX work, Town of Chestertown streets, Town of Easton, Rt. 404, and lots more of good work ahead. So here we go toward the 2nd half of the season. Hope we have some good luck.

