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MEDIA ADVISORY: Fort Moore to memorialize Grange Gate

WHAT: Maneuver Center of Excellence and Fort Moore will memorialize Access Control Point 2 to honor and remember U.S. Army Ranger and Defense Distinguished Service Medal recipient, Lt. Gen. David E. Grange Jr.

WHEN: Feb. 22, 2024, 3 p.m.

WHERE: Access Control Point 2 (Legacy Blvd.), Fort Moore, Ga.

WHY: Grange Gate is the second of five access control points to be memorialized across Fort Moore.

During the event, Maj. Gen. Curtis A. Buzzard, MCoE and Fort Moore commanding general, will deliver commemorative remarks, the MCoE Band will play, Grange's family in attendance will be recognized, and there will be an unveiling of the dedication sign.

A veteran of 20 campaigns, Grange served with distinction in his career with the U.S. Army as one of few Soldiers in history to earn a Combat Infantryman Badge in three different wars and conduct three combat jumps as an infantryman.

Grange joined the Army in 1943 as a parachute infantryman and contributed to various campaigns in Europe during World War II, including the Rome-Arno, Southern France, Rhineland, Ardennes, and Central Europe campaigns. Grange was commissioned as a second lieutenant of Infantry in 1950 and served in Korea with the 187th Airborne Infantry Regiment. In 1963, Grange went to Vietnam entering his third war, this time as an airborne and ranger advisor to the Department of Defense's Research and Development Field Unit. Grange was inducted into the Ranger Hall of Fame for dedication to duty and contributions to the Army as a ranger-qualified leader, and in 1982 when the Best Ranger Competition was founded, he was selected to be its namesake.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: ACP 2 will be closed to traffic from 2:30-3:30 p.m. for the ceremony.

HOW: Interested media should contact Public Affairs by 3 p.m. Feb. 21 for coordinating instructions.

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