

Afterword

Keith Payne VC AM is one of Australia most gallant 100. He was awarded his Victoria Cross by Queen Elizabeth II on board *HMY Britannia* in Brisbane on 13 April 1970, after being nominated for his actions as part of an Australian Army Training Team-Vietnam mission in May 1969 during the Vietnam War.

Keith writes:

I feel that there were many cases in World War II in the Navy where a Victoria Cross should have been recommended and awarded.

But because it had to be processed through the Admiralty for approval, in many cases the ships' companies have been overlooked.

Teddy Sheean performed a brave action worthy of a VC.

It's never too late for a gallantry award to be recommended and approved, especially now we have our own awards system.

Keith Payne VC AM

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