

## **THE NEW ZEALAND BRAVERY MEDAL (N.Z.B.M.)**

### **Duncan TAYLOR (Deceased) Detective Constable, New Zealand Police**

Date of action: 5 July 2002

Date of award: 23 October 2005

#### *Citation*

At about 1.00 p.m. on 5 July 2002 Detective Constable Duncan Taylor and Detective Jeanette Park went to Taipo Road, Rongotea to warn a local family that a person known to them may have returned to the area. While talking to the family they saw the person concerned drive past the house. The two officers followed his vehicle, which then stopped. As the Police officers got out of their vehicle the person drove off and returned to the Taipo Road address followed by the Police vehicle. Both vehicles stopped in the driveway of the Taipo Road house and as the two Police officers, who were unarmed, left their car, the male occupant of the other car presented a rifle at Detective Constable Taylor and, without warning, fired a single shot which killed him instantly.