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Keep Fort Cavazos name

There is pressure in some quarters to bring back the names of Confederates to Army bases. That decision might include our Fort Cavazos, and, if it happens, would be a Texas-size mistake.

Fort Hood was named for Confederate Gen. John Bell Hood, who was born in Kentucky and is buried in Louisiana. His failed leadership at battles he lost in Franklin and Nashville, Tenn., resulting in high casualties, is well-documented.

Fort Cavazos is named for Gen. Richard Cavazos, who is a son of our sod. Born in Texas (reared on the King Ranch), educated in Texas (a Red Raider) and buried in Texas (Fort Sam Houston). For his combat heroism of saving lives, he was recently awarded the Medal of Honor.

Many Army bases have been named for deserving soldiers. Allowing the name of Fort Cavazos to remain will honor that tradition.

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