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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR  
(POSTHUMOUS)

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

JENKINS, PHILLIP P. PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E3 United States Army  
Co 3, 2d Bn (Abn), 502d Inf, 1st Bde, 101st Abn Div, APO 96347

Awarded: Silver Star (Posthumously)

Date action: 7 May 1966

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For gallantry in action: Private First Class Jenkins distinguished himself on 7 May 1966 during a search and destroy mission near the Cambodian border in the Republic of Vietnam. With keen alertness, Private First Class Jenkins detected a Viet Cong ambush consisting of at least ten insurgents armed with automatic weapons. Realizing that elements of his platoon were already in the killing zone, he exposed himself, shouted a warning to his comrades, and immediately delivered a heavy volume of fire on the insurgents. As a result, the Viet Cong concentrated all their firepower on him and his fellow soldiers reached cover. With complete disregard for his safety, Private First Class Jenkins assaulted the insurgents while receiving hostile fire. Although critically wounded about 15 feet from the Viet Cong position, he continued to place effective fire on the insurgents and killed two Viet Cong before he died. Inspired by the gallant actions of Private First Class Jenkins, his comrades assaulted the Viet Cong and forced them to disperse into the jungle. Private First Class Jenkins' extraordinary heroism in close combat against a hostile force was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army.

Authority: By direction of the President under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918.

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