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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR
(POSTHUMOUS)

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

TRAYLOR, WAYNE H. SPECIALIST FOUR E4 United States Army
Co A, 2d Bn (Abn), 502d Inf, 1st Bde, 101st Abn Div, APO 963A7

Awarded: Silver Star (Posthumously)

Date action: 11 May 1966

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For gallantry in action: Specialist Four Traylor distinguished himself on 11 May 1966 during a search and destroy mission near Bu Gia Map, Republic of Vietnam. His platoon had maneuvered within 30 meters of a camouflaged and well-fortified Viet Cong force when they received intense hostile machine gun fire which effectively pinned them down. At this time, Specialist Four Traylor leaped to his feet, ran through a barrage of hostile fire, and assaulted the Viet Cong machine gun emplacement. He killed three insurgents before being seriously wounded himself. Bleeding profusely, he refused to seek cover or medical attention and placed suppressive fire on the Viet Cong until he died from his wounds. Specialist Four Traylor's 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.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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