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APO San Francisco 96374

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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced posthumously.

GRIMES, MICHAEL PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E3, United States Army, Company A, 2d Battalion (Airborne), 502d Infantry, 1st Brigade, 101st Airborne Division APO 96347

Awarded: Silver Star

Date action: 25 August 1967

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For gallantry in action against a hostile force on 25 August 1967 near Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam. Private First Class Grimes distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous action when his company became engaged with an estimated reinforced enemy platoon which inflicted numerous casualties. Private Grimes rushed through intense enemy fire to the point platoon to assist in giving medical aid. Shortly thereafter, he received word that his platoon had received a heavy mortar attack and incurred many casualties. Again, with complete disregard for his own safety, Private Grimes started back across the hundred meters of terrain raked with enemy fire to reach his platoon. After having traveled about half that distance, he was wounded. Disregarding his wounds, Private Grimes continued forward until he reached the platoon. Immediately, and completely exposed to enemy fire, Private Grimes began to move throughout the area to treat his wounded comrades. On several occasions, he drew heavy enemy fire and, without hesitation, he placed himself between the enemy and the wounded in order to shield them from further injury. Private First Class Grimes' outstanding display of gallantry and his devotion to duty and to the lives of his fellow soldiers were in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit upon himself, the Americal Division, 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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