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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.

SHERMAN, ROBERT P. SERGEANT FIRST CLASS E7, United States Army, Company A, 2d Battalion (Airborne), 502d Infantry, 1st Brigade, 101st Airborne Division APO 96347

Awarded: Silver Star

Date action: 23 July 1967

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For gallantry in action against a hostile force on 23 July 1967, near Duc Pho, Republic of Vietnam. Sergeant First Class Sherman, acting as platoon leader, was moving his platoon down a jungle trail, when they were suddenly brought under an intense volume of enemy automatic weapons fire and subsequently pinned down. Without hesitation, Sergeant Sherman rushed through the withering enemy fire and began to maneuver his platoon against the well-fortified enemy position. As the platoon began an assault on the enemy position, a machinegun bunker on the left flank opened fire and pinned the platoon down once again. Sergeant Sherman, foreseeing the dangerous situation that could develop, took immediate action. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Sergeant Sherman leaped from his covered position and assaulted the enemy bunker in the face of a withering hail of fire. Sergeant Sherman layed down an effective base of small arms fire and hurled grenades to knock out the bunker, resulting in three enemy dead and two automatic weapons captured. Sergeant Sherman's outstanding display of gallantry, dedication and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest 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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