

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAL DIVISION
APO San Francisco 96374

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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

WILLEY, HENRY I. _____, SPECIALIST FOUR EA, United States Army,
Company A, 2d Battalion (Airborne), 502d Infantry, 1st Brigade, 101st
Airborne Division APO 96347

Awarded: Silver Star

Date action: 27 September 1967

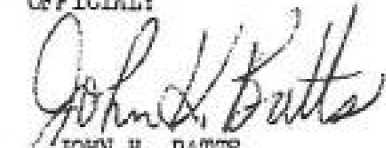
Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For gallantry in action against a hostile force on 27 Sep-
tember 1967 near Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam. As Specialist
Four, then Private First Class, Willey's squad moved out in an
assault against a well-fortified enemy element, he observed his
machinegunner had been wounded. Realizing the necessity for
the extra firepower, he immediately ran towards the wounded gun-
ner. While running through the enemy fire, he was hit and wound-
ed. With no regard for his wounds or the enemy fire, Specialist
Willey continued onward until he reached the weapon and, with
the machinegun, placed a tremendous volume of fire into the en-
emy positions. Then detecting an enemy automatic weapons bunker
Specialist Willey, with utter disregard for his own safety,
charged through vicious enemy fire and succeeded in destroying
the bunker and killing four enemy soldiers. Specialist Four
Willey's unquestionable gallantry was in keeping with the high-
est 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.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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