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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

CARPENTER, JAMES H., STAFF SERGEANT E6, United States Army,  
Company A, 2d Battalion (Airborne), 502d Infantry, 1st Brigade, 101st  
Airborne Division APO 96347

Awarded: Silver Star

Date action: 29 May 1967

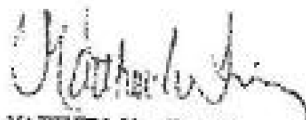
Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For gallantry in action against a hostile force on 29 May 1967, near Due Pho, Republic of Vietnam, Staff Sergeant Carpenter distinguished himself while leading his squad down a trail in dense jungle foliage. An estimated enemy squad pinned down his squad with intense fire. Realizing the need for decisive action, Sergeant Carpenter, with complete disregard for his own safety, exposed himself to the murderous fire and assaulted the enemy positions. In the ensuing assault, Sergeant Carpenter killed one enemy soldier and, while still exposed to the hostile fire, pursued and captured another. His squad, inspired by his courage and daring, followed suit and assaulted the remaining positions routing the enemy who left behind three dead, three weapons, and one prisoner. Staff Sergeant Carpenter's unquestionable valor, resoluteness, and dauntless determination in close combat are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit upon himself, his unit, Task Force Oregon, 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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