

HEADQUARTERS
 AERICAL DIVISION
 APO San Francisco 96374

GENERAL ORDERS
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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

1. TO 320. The following AWARD is announced.

WAHLBERG, LYLE B. , PRIVATE E2, United States Army, Company B, 2d Battalion (Airborne), 502d Infantry, 1st Brigade 101st Airborne Division APO 96374

Award of: Silver Star

Date action: 13 August 1967

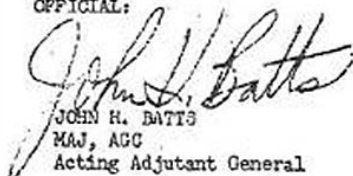
Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For gallantry in action against a hostile force on 13 August 1967 near Duc Pho, Republic of Vietnam. Private Wahlberg distinguished himself when his platoon came under intense enemy fire. With complete disregard for his own safety, Private Wahlberg moved through murderous enemy fire to within ten feet of the enemy's position to retrieve the wounded point man. When his fire team leader was wounded and evacuated, Private Wahlberg immediately displayed exceptional ability as he took command of the beleaguered force and reorganized and rallied the fire team. When one of his men broke under the strain of the fierce combat, Private Wahlberg moved through intense enemy fire to the man's position. He coaxed the man, reassured him and restored the man's confidence and fighting ability. Throughout the engagement, Private Wahlberg displayed a fierce determination as he relentlessly resisted the enemy's attack. Private Wahlberg's leadership, personal courage, and ferocity on the battlefield were an inspiration to his men and greatly assisted his platoon in defeating a numerically superior North Vietnamese Army force. Private Wahlberg's unquestionable valor, aggressive determination and devotion to duty while engaged in close combat are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit upon himself, the AERICAL 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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