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SECTION I

THE SILVER STAR MEDAL

1. FC 320. The following AWARDS are announced.

FARROW, DAN J RA16842915 (SSAN: SPECIALIST FOUR (E-4)
Company A 2nd Battalion (Airborne) 501st Infantry APO San Francisco 96383

Awarded: The Silver Star Medal

Date action: 29 April 1968

Theater: Republic of Vietnam


Reason: For gallantry in action in the Republic of Vietnam on 29 April 1968. Specialist Four Farrow distinguished himself while serving as squad leader with Company A 2nd Battalion (Airborne) 501st Infantry on a combat operation near Hue, Republic of Vietnam. During the early afternoon when Company A was engaged in a combat operation the first platoon made contact with a large, well entrenched enemy force. The point man for the platoon was approximately fifty meters in front of the main element, and with the initial burst of fire he was wounded as the enemy opened fire with automatic weapons, machine guns, and rocket propelled grenades. The point squad immediately maneuvered back to a nearby tree line for cover from the deadly onslaught. Specialist Four Farrow, who was in the point squad, refused to take cover, however, and decided to try to assault the bunker that was firing on him and to rescue the wounded point man. Taking it upon himself, Specialist Four Farrow began crawling toward the enemy bunker whose fire was raking the ground all around. Systematically using what available cover he could find, he crawled to within fifteen meters of the treacherous bunker, and by throwing several hand grenades directly into the position was able to neutralize it and kill the enemy soldiers. Although still receiving enemy sniper fire, Specialist Four Farrow crawled over to the wounded man and even though not a medic, administered first aid to the injured man. Then, with an all out effort, he was able to move the man to the safety of the woodline, despite the withering hail of bullets that sought yet another victim. Through his indefatigable efforts Specialist Four Farrow was able to reach the safety of friendly lines and able to secure additional treatment for him. Specialist Four Farrow's outstanding valor and concern for his comrades is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army.

Authority: By direction of the President of the United States under the provisions of the Act of Congress established 9 July 1918.

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