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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS)

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

KING, ROBERT E                      PRIVATE FIRST CLASS Company B 1st Battalion (Airborne)  
502d Infantry APO San Francisco 96383

Awarded: The Silver Star (Posthumous)

Effective month: N/A

Date action: 13 June 1969

Theater: Republic of Vietnam


Reason: For gallantry in action in the Republic of Vietnam on 13 June 1969. Private King distinguished himself while serving as a rifleman with the Third Platoon, Company B, 1st Battalion, 502d Infantry, during a combat operation in the Tien Phuoc District, Quang Tin Province, Republic of Vietnam. Private King's platoon had been ordered to reinforce the First Platoon which had encountered an unknown size enemy force. As soon as he reached the area of contact, he began maneuvering through the heavy volley of enemy fire to the aid of his wounded comrades. Upon reaching two wounded men, he continued moving between them administering first aid until the wounds of both men were treated. He then took one man and started to move him back out of the enemy's fire, telling the other man to lay still and not move until he came back for him. He moved the first man to safety through the enemy fire and then returned to the second wounded man. After satisfying himself that the man's wounds were bandaged properly, he set out with the second wounded man to a place of safety. Having removed the second individual to safety, he rejoined his platoon in the rout of the enemy. Private King's personal bravery and devotion to duty were 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 approved 25 July 1963.

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