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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS)

TC 439. The following AWARD is announced.

JONES, DAVID L. SSG 11B40 Co A 2d Bn (Aml) 502d Inf (WACQAO)
APO SF 96383

Awarded: The Silver Star (POSTHUMOUS)

Date of service: 16 May 1970

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Authority: By direction of the President of the United States under provisions of the Act of Congress approved 25 July 1963.

Reason: For gallantry in action while engaged in military operations involving conflict with an armed hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam on 16 May 1970. Sergeant Jones distinguished himself while serving as an acting platoon leader in Company A, 2d Battalion (Airmobile), 502d Infantry, during combat operations in Thua Thien Province, Republic of Vietnam. While set up in a night defensive position, Sergeant Jones' unit came under a concentrated enemy sapper attack. Sergeant Jones returned a heavy volume of suppressive fire on the insurgents and directed his men to their fighting positions. Although wounded during the initial contact, Sergeant Jones moved around the perimeter ensuring that the wounded were treated and that all positions on the perimeter were manned. Observing an enemy position, he crawled forward and engaged the insurgents with accurate rifle fire. While engaging the insurgents, Sergeant Jones was mortally wounded by enemy grenade fire. Sergeant Jones' 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.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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