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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS)

TC 439. The following AWARD is announced.

JOSEPH, JEFFREY J. SGT 11B40 Co B 2d Bn (Ambl) 501st Inf (WACNBO)
APO SF 96383

Awarded: The Silver Star (Posthumous)

Date of service: 19 April 1970

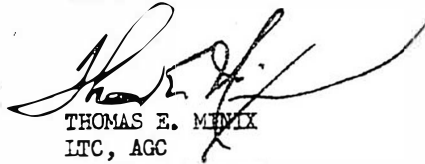
Theater: Republic of Vietnam

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

Reason: For gallantry in action in the Republic of Vietnam on 19 April 1970. Sergeant Joseph distinguished himself while serving as a squad leader in Company B, 2d Battalion (Airmobile), 501st Infantry, during combat operations in Thua Thien Province, Republic of Vietnam. While set up in a night defensive position, Sergeant Joseph's unit received small arms, grenade, and mortar fire from an enemy force of unknown size. Sergeant Joseph moved from position to position directing his squad's return fire. He pointed out suspected enemy positions and gave encouragement to his weary troops. When the squad's machine gun had expended most of its ammunition, he collected additional ammunition and brought it to the machine gun position. Shortly after taking a position behind part of the squad, Sergeant Joseph was mortally wounded by enemy fire. His actions contributed greatly to the safety of his men. Sergeant Joseph'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.

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