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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS)

TC 439. The following AWARD is announced.

ASHER, SAMUEL E. CPT 1542 Co E 2d Bn (Aml) 502d Inf (WACOE)  
APO SF 96383 IN

Awarded: The Silver Star (Posthumous)

Date of service: 26 April 1970

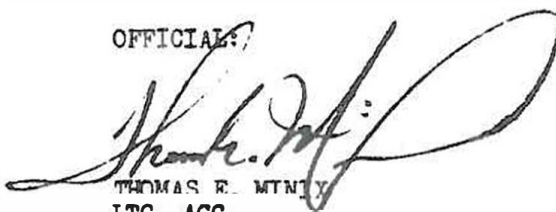
Theater: Republic of Vietnam

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 26 April 1970. Captain Asher distinguished himself while serving as commanding officer of Company E, 2d Battalion (Airmobile), 502d Infantry, during a mortar attack against Fire Support Base Veghel, Republic of Vietnam. During the attack, Captain Asher moved to the base mortar positions to expedite counter-mortar fire and continuously subjected himself to incoming rounds while checking the perimeter. He moved to the most intense area of the attack to encourage each of his men individually and to insure the preparation for a possible ground attack. While moving to one of these positions, Captain Asher was mortally wounded by an incoming round. His actions were decisive in insuring the safety of the lives of the men on the firebase and contributed immeasurably to the firebase's successful defense. Captain Asher'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.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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