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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS)

TC 439. The following AWARD is announced.

KIMBER, TERREL O. SSG 11F40 Co A 1st Bn (Ambl) 501st Inf
APO SF 96383

Awarded: The Silver Star (Posthumous)

Date of service: 29 March 1971

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Authority: By direction of the President of the United States under
Provision of the Act of Congress established 9 July 1966.

Reason: For gallantry in action while engaged in military operations involving conflict with an armed hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam. Staff Sergeant Kimber distinguished himself on 29 March 1971 while serving as a squad leader during combat operations in Quang Tri Province, Republic of Vietnam. While assaulting an enemy occupied hill, Sergeant Kimber's platoon came under an intense barrage of enemy fire. With four men wounded and one radio inoperative, Sergeant Kimber organized the evacuation of the wounded and the withdrawal of the platoon. Exposing himself to the increasing volume of fire, Sergeant Kimber moved to a forward position directing his squad to cover the withdraw of the rest of the element. After insuring the safety of his platoon, Sergeant Kimber directed his squad to withdraw while he put out devastating suppressive fire on the enemy. As his squad withdrew, Sergeant Kimber was fatally wounded. Staff Sergeant Kimber's gallantry in action was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit upon himself, his unit and the United States Army.