



THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20350-1000

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

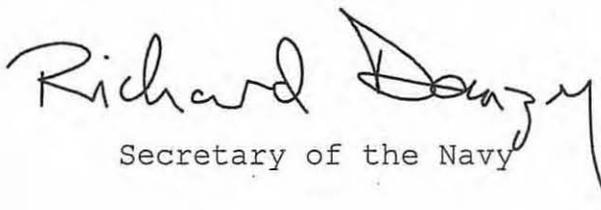
SECOND LIEUTENANT HERMAN ABADY
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action while serving as Platoon Leader, Company K, 3d Battalion, 1st Marine Division on Guadalcanal, British Solomon Islands. On 13 and 14 September 1942, Second Lieutenant Abady's platoon was deployed straddling an overland trail and bore the brunt of the attack on the company's positions from a detachment from the Japanese Army's Kuma Battalion whose objective was Henderson Field and the 1st Division Command Post which were located approximately a half mile to the rear. Enemy Japanese soldiers with fixed bayonets penetrated the barbed wire less than 200 feet in front of the platoon's position, and entered the unit's foxholes where vicious hand-to-hand combat ensued. At one point, Second Lieutenant Abady took a position behind a banyan tree and succeeded in killing several Japanese soldiers with his .45 caliber pistol. As a result of his direction and encouragement, the Marines held their positions against the intense enemy onslaught and kept the enemy from reaching their objective. At daybreak, some 30 bodies of enemy soldiers lay around the platoon's defensive positions and an additional 30 bodies were entangled in the barbed wire in front of the platoon's position. By his extraordinary heroism, superb courage, and loyal devotion to duty, Second Lieutenant Abady reflected great credit upon himself and upheld the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.

For the President,


Secretary of the Navy

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SPOT
Serial 0848
Signed NOV 14 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the **SILVER STAR MEDAL** to

**SERGEANT HENRY J. ABBOTT,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,**

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as an Observer of Company K, Third Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Cape Gloucester, New Britain, on 14 January 1944. Constantly exposed to an intense hostile barrage after charging through enemy infested jungle, Sergeant Abbott maintained a perilous position forward of our lines to direct the destruction of a heavy Japanese machine-gun nest. By his daring initiative and bold fighting spirit in the face of grave peril, he contributed essentially to the withdrawal of the enemy and his unwavering devotion to duty was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Bryn Mawr, Pa.
B--Philadelphia, Pa.

HEADQUARTERS, USAFISPA
APO #502

GENERAL ORDERS

NO 502

AWARD (POSTHUMOUS) OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is posthumously awarded by The Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to

PRIVATE LLOYD B. ABBOTT, USMCR., 470594

"For gallantry in action at Enogai, New Georgia, Solomon Islands, on 7 July 1943. In attacking a strong Japanese defensive position, all of the other men in his squad suddenly were pinned down by heavy enemy fire. Determined to continue the charge, Private Abbott pressed forward alone and succeeded in establishing an advanced position. His gallant action encouraged the other men to quickly follow and push the advance he had started, forcing the enemy to give ground and begin their withdrawal. In delivering the final blow, Private Abbott lost his life."

By Command of Lieutenant General Harmon:

A. J. BARNETT,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

M. B. KENDRICK,
Major, A.G.D.,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

R..Stokes County, North Carolina.
B..High Point, North Carolina.

OFFICIAL COPY.

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DGP-209-bz

Spot Award
Serial 0652 *Com Sec Alt*
Signed OCT 9 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE PETER Z. ABDELLA, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a telephone lineman while serving with the First Marine Division during action against enemy Japanese forces on Cape Gloucester, New Britain, December 26-30, 1943. Working courageously under the most hazardous conditions, Private Abdella constantly maintained an effective line of communication from the mortars to the mortar observation post, battalion observation post and the battalion command post. Undeterred by devastating hostile machine-gun, rifle and mortar fire, he was instrumental in keeping the telephone lines intact, thereby contributing materially to the successful operation of our forces in this strategic area. Private Abdella's daring aggressiveness, exceptional fortitude and unwavering devotion to duty were an inspiration to his comrades and in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Cohoes, New York.

E - Utica, New York.

390515
DGP-298-Navy-Jrc

FMF Pac
SPOT
Signed _____
Serial 41646

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting
the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL GEORGE F. ABEL,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Fire Team Leader of Company A, First Battalion, Twenty-fifth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 19 February 1945. When his platoon's advance was halted by intense hostile machine-gun fire, Corporal Abel coordinated an assault by moving his group into firing position and directed the attack from the top of a knoll despite intense enemy mortar fire. Although severely wounded, he gave first aid to two comrades and, when his platoon was endangered by a depleted ammunition supply, crawled twenty-five yards under fire to replenish the stock, thereby contributing materially to the success of the mission in which two machine guns and a light mortar were destroyed and five Japanese killed. His courage, leadership and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

R-New Have, Conn.
B-West Havey, Conn.

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

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DGP-298-Navy-RDA

CincPac
SPOT
Serial 0647
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS DONALD P. ABERNATHY,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company A, Second Amphibian Tractor Battalion, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, on 20 November 1943. After disembarking assault troops on the heavily fortified beachhead on D-Day, Private First Class Abernathy boldly returned to the edge of a treacherous coral reef to assist other units halted in the water by the enemy's concentrated shellfire. Using his tractor as a shield by driving between the gunfire and the troops, he effectively covered their advance to shore and, at the same time, skillfully manned his vehicle's mounted machine gun to deliver destructive return fire against the fanatic Japanese. Upon reaching the beach, he dauntlessly continued in the fight, providing overhead fire for oncoming troops until his tractor was completely demolished by a bursting Japanese shell. By his prompt and daring action, his great personal valor and zealous devotion to duty in the face of tremendous odds, Private First Class Abernathy contributed materially to the success of our forces in capturing this vital hostile stronghold, and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R--Ottawa, Ill.,
B--Festus, Mo.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

474542
DGP-298-eme

Cincpac
Appd SofN 2-28-46
Serial-34898
Signed MAY 26 1947

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS DONALD R. ABRAHAM
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company G, Third Battalion, Twenty-eighth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces at Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 5 March 1945. Participating in an attack on a strongly entrenched enemy force and overrunning its position, Private First Class Abraham, with his squad, was subjected to heavy mortar and intense sniper fire. Making his way to a nearby friendly tank, Private First Class Abraham directed it through his squad's area to a good firing position, retained his hazardous position and successfully directed its fire to destroy a heavy enemy mortar emplacement. His sound judgment and outstanding devotion to duty, in the face of grave peril, contributed to the success of that operation and reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Abraham and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy,

R..New London, Wisconsin
B..New London, Wisconsin

SSM w/perm. cit. & CMC ltr. was pres'd to Mr. & Mrs. Charles D. Cristian, parents of the late PFC. Donald R. Abraham on 8 September 47 by OinC USMCDHRS, Milwaukee, Wisc. at an informal ceremony. Publicity was given through the New London Press Republican.

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the
SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE SALVATORE ACQUAVIVA,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company A, First Battalion, Twenty-fifth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 19 February 1945. Landing with the first wave of infantry on D-Day, Private Acquaviva advanced inland with his company a distance of thirty yards when taken under intense artillery, mortar, rocket, machine-gun and rifle fire which halted his company's advance in the vicinity of the railroad tracks. In company with another member of his squad, he courageously and voluntarily crept forward to this enemy position and observed five or six Japanese in a dugout. With the hostile troops hurling hand grenades at them, Private Acquaviva killed one of the enemy as he arose to fire and then charged into the enemy position. Although a hand grenade exploded between his legs as he was running towards the dugout, he hurled another grenade into the dugout, killing the remaining Japanese and eliminating this position. By his cool and gallant action, Private Acquaviva enabled his company to continue the advance, and his courage, initiative and selflessness during this action were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

C. S. THOMAS

Secretary of the Navy.

R - New York, New York

B - New York, New York

*I have never received ~~the~~ citation signed by Sullivan
Therefore, a new citation was prepared and signed by
C. S. Thomas 1-11-56*

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App. SofN 1-4-45
Serial 004244
Signed APR 9 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CAESARE F. ADAMI, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a voluntary member of a combat patrol serving with the Twelfth Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces in the vicinity of the Asan River, Guam, Marianas Islands, 26 July 1944. Crossing the river and establishing a position from which he was able to fire on the Japanese who had captured one of our machine guns, Private First Class Adami greatly assisted in the retaking of the emplacement. Subsequently observing a severely wounded comrade some distance away, he unhesitatingly made his way across an open area continually exposed to hostile small arms and grenade fire to aid the helpless Marine, but was himself mortally wounded. Private First Class Adami's courageous devotion to duty, indomitable fighting spirit and self-sacrificing efforts on behalf of another were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

SSM, perm.cit. & ltr fr CMC pres'd 5/30/45 by 1stLt. Wm.K.Holt, USMCR, USMCDHT &RS, U.S.CourtHouse Bldg, 225 S.Clark St. Chicago 4, Ill. to the parents of the late PFC. Adami, Mr&Mrs. Carlo Adami, (b) (6) memorial service by Navy Club of Rockford.

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Rockford, Illinois.
B--Sterling, Illinois.

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DGP-298-eln

Spot Award
Serial 0051
Signed AUG 5 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOHN J. ADAMIETZ, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the Third Marine Division, during an aerial attack by enemy Japanese forces on Bougainville, Solomon Islands, the night of November 7, 1943. Hearing the desperate cries of a comrade after he himself had been blown twelve feet by an exploding enemy bomb, Private First Class Adamietz courageously left his foxhole and rushed to the assistance of the wounded Marine despite the danger from high explosives and bomb fragments. Working in total ~~darkness~~ *darkness,* he skillfully applied tourniquets and held them in place, remaining with the severely injured man during continued bombing until medical aid arrived. Private First Class Adamietz's daring initiative and great personal valor in voluntarily risking his life for a comrade were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

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For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R...Staples, Minn.

B...Ward Twp., Minn.

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SPOT
Serial 54919
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT ALLEN G. ADAMS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Headquarters Company, Third Engineer Battalion, Nineteenth Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 17 March 1945. Volunteering to construct an approach to a hostile pocket of resistance in order that a tank company might destroy this strong point, Sergeant Adams maneuvered his lightly-armored and unarmed bulldozer deep into enemy-held territory and succeeded in building an approach which was about four hundred yards in length, constantly leading the tanks and infantry. Suddenly faced with heavy enemy resistance and enemy fire which wounded him, he coolly backed the tractor out of the area and off the trail, thereby enabling the following tank to move into firing position from which it destroyed the hostile resistance. By his initiative, calm determination and devotion to duty, Sergeant Adams upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..McLeansboro, Ill.,
B..McLeansforo, Ill.

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DGP-298-pmb

Approv. SofN 8-5-47
Bd. Ser. 3475

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL CHARLES M. ADAMS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Depot Company A, Branch Number Three, Fourth Base Depot, First Marine Amphibious Corps, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Vella Lavella, Solomon Islands, 1 October 1943. When aerial bombs hit and set afire an LST unloading on the beach, Corporal Adams assisted in all authorized salvage operations despite the danger from exploding gasoline and ammunition. Disposing of high explosives from the upper deck of the ship, he led others in attempts to extinguish the flames in the hold and in the evacuation of casualties from the burning hold and upper deck. His courage and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Corporal Adams and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Depew, Okla.,
B..Okmulgee, Okla.

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Signed-----

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL HARRY C. ADAMS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company G, First Battalion, Twenty-seventh Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 19 February 1945. When an enemy blockhouse held up the advance of his company, Corporal Adams went forward through heavy hostile fire toward the enemy strong point and, moving into position, destroyed it with a demolition charge, thereby permitting the advance to continue. His courage and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Corporal Adams and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

ROBessemer, Michigan
B-Bessemer, Michigan

JOHN J. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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ADAMS, SS & perm cit sent
James Adams (wife)

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App'd SofN 5-31-44
Serial 2540
Signed 8/5/44

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PLATOON SERGEANT JAMES ADAMS, USMC,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the Fourth Marine Division in combat against enemy Japanese forces during the invasion of Namur Island, Kwajalein Atoll, Marshall Islands, February 1, 1944. Although his post as police sergeant did not require it, Platoon Sergeant Adams joined his comrades in the front lines and fought with skill and courage to dislodge the enemy from their entrenched positions along the northern beach of the island. On one occasion he and another Marine assaulted a connected series of trenches and a pillbox by alternately attacking the Japanese and acting as cover for each other until reaching positions approximately ten yards from the enemy emplacement. Fearlessly exposing himself to the Japanese, Platoon Sergeant Adams succeeded in destroying five of the hostile troops before he, himself, was killed. His extreme bravery and tenacious determination were an inspiration to his comrades and in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL
Secretary of the Navy.

R--East Orange, New Jersey
B--Blairstown, New Jersey

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9/11/44*

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS REX G. ADAMS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as an Automatic Rifleman of Company L, Third Battalion, Twenty-fourth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, from 22 to 28 June 1944. When hostile riflemen in a cave and in positions along a hill killed two men in his group, Private First Class Adams singlehandedly attacked and annihilated at least five of the enemy. Wounded during an attack on a strongly-held position while protecting a squad of injured machine gunners on 26 June, he remained steadfast at his position and continued to direct accurate fire against the Japanese. By his bravery, initiative and devotion to duty throughout, Private First Class Adams upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Dixon, Calif.
B..Mankato, Kan.

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DGP-298-rkz

SPOT
Serial Special
Signed JUL 10 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROBERT J. ADAMS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Loader of a Self-Propelled 75-mm. Gun in Regimental Weapons Company, Twenty-fifth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 16 June 1944. Unhesitatingly approaching a half-track enveloped in flames from burning gasoline, Private First Class Adams fearlessly disregarded exploding ammunition and heavy hostile fire to effect the rescue of a gunner who had been blown from the half-track when it received a direct enemy hit. His fortitude, initiative and courage throughout were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Pensacola, Fla.
B..Waycross, Georgia.

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DGP-298-dmd

ComPac
SPOT
Serial 1026
Signed JUN 19 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL VAN V. ADAMS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Machine Gun Squad Leader while serving with Company L, Third Battalion, Twenty-fourth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, during operations against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, from 15 June to 9 July 1944. When hostile machine-gun fire wounded the men carrying the gun as Corporal Adams led his squad in an attack on a strongly defended enemy position, he courageously crawled forward alone, although he had been wounded twice, in an attempt to recover the gun from its exposed position. While he was attempting to reach the weapon with a length of wire, an enemy land mine, aimed at him, exploded and partially demolished the gun. Refusing to be evacuated, Corporal Adams returned to the front lines and joined in the attack, sustaining two more wounds before he was ordered to the rear. By his leadership, initiative and devotion to duty, he contributed materially to the success of this vital campaign and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

H--Snipe, Texas
B--Ganado, Texas

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DGP-298-ebg

ComGenFMFSer 47152
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL WALDO E. ADAMS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Fire Team Leader in a Rifle Platoon of Company K, Third Battalion, Twenty-first Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 24 February 1945. Courageously leading his men in an attack on an important enemy airfield, Corporal Adams effectively supported his advancing platoon and, despite intense hostile fire, aided in annihilating many of the Japanese and in taking possession of the hostile position. Although seriously wounded while directing the final bayonet charge, he remained in the front lines, gallantly contributing to the repulse of hostile counter-attacks and to the seizure and holding of his company's objective. His courage, fortitude and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Wellsville, Mo.
B..Wellsville, Mo.

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Serial 6112
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT WELDON Q. ADAMS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company L, Third Battalion, Second Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Tinian, Marianas Islands, 29 July 1944. When his rifle platoon was sent 600 yards forward of the front lines to a cliff from which enemy machine-gun fire had pinned down his company, Sergeant Adams immediately located the hostile position and, working his way back to gain the assistance of a supporting tank, discovered that all tank communications had been destroyed. Exposing himself to heavy enemy fire, he unhesitatingly climbed to the top of a near-by tank and, guiding the vehicle into position, directed its fire on the Japanese troops, thereby reducing the emplacement and contributing materially to the advance of his unit. His courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Graham, Texas
B--Jacksboro, Texas

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DGP 298 Navy FBB

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting a SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT WILLIAM K. ADAMS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving in a Platoon of Company C, First Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, from 21 to 26 May 1945. Assuming command of the Platoon when his Leader was seriously wounded, Sergeant Adams reorganized a defensive position on an exposed knoll and, despite continuous heavy hostile mortar and sniper fire which caused severe casualties and prohibited all movement except by tanks, directed his unit in repulsing determined enemy counterattacks for five successive days. His outstanding leadership, courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R- Texarkana, Arkansas
B- El Dorado, Kansas
24 Dec 1923

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

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CincPac
Appd SofN 3-1-45
Serial 00478
Signed OCT 5 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS THEODORE L. ADAMSKI, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Automatic Rifleman serving with the First Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu Island, Palau Group, 17 September 1944. When his squad was pinned down by heavy enfilade machine-gun fire during an attack against a steep, strongly fortified coral ridge, Private First Class Adamski unhesitatingly left his covered position and boldly advanced to an exposed vantage point from which he directed fire into the Japanese emplacement. Although severely wounded in this encounter, he gallantly continued his devastating assault, silencing the enemy gun and enabling his platoon to advance to its objective. By his courageous fighting spirit and unceasing vigilance, Private First Class Adamski contributed essentially to the ultimate success of our mission on this strategically important island, and his selfless devotion to duty at the risk of his own life was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

SEP, perm cit, ltr fr CMC pres by CinC Cleveland, Ohio, 11-2-45 to the
widow of the late PFC Adamski. Mrs. For the President,
Adamski, (b) (6)
I am pres on the occasion of theS FORRESTAL
I.C. Birthday held at the Cleveland
Municipal Auditorium. Secretary of the Navy.
R--Toledo, Ohio
B--Toledo, Ohio

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting a SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PLATOON SERGEANT CLARK R. ADAMSON,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company G, Second Battalion, Twenty-fifth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 6 July 1944. Determined to locate a heavily fortified hostile emplacement while his platoon was moving into position to fill a gap in the lines, Platoon Sergeant Adamson fearlessly risked his life to reconnoiter the enemy-infested territory and, despite wounds received during his perilous mission, successfully located the concrete emplacement and returned with the vital information. By his bold initiative, outstanding fortitude and cool and courageous conduct under fire, Platoon Sergeant Adamson contributed materially to the success of our forces in capturing this vital hostile stronghold, and his unwavering devotion to duty throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

R- Greencastle, Ind.
B- Parke County, Ind.

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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CG, FMF, Pac
Serial 12587
App. SofN 4-19-45
Signed: OCT 25 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

GUNNERY SERGEANT JACK C. ADCOCK,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while acting as Platoon Leader serving with the First Battalion, Twenty-Third Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on the Island of Saipan in the Marianas, on 16 June 1944. With his platoon pinned down under a concentrated Japanese artillery barrage which inflicted heavy casualties, Gunnery Sergeant Adcock refused the comparative safety of a dugout and, shouting encouragement to his men in the absence of corpsmen, fearlessly proceeded from foxhole to foxhole, resolutely aiding and evacuating the wounded despite the continuous pounding of powerful enemy guns until he fell, fatally struck down by a bursting Japanese artillery shell. By his aggressive leadership, determined initiative and undaunted courage in the face of overwhelming opposition, Gunnery Sergeant Adcock contributed materially to the success of our operations against this vital Japanese stronghold, and his decisive conduct throughout a period of fierce hostilities upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Rayville, La.
B--Collins, Miss.

SSM, perm cit ltr from CMC was presented to parents on 24Apr46 by the CO, MB, Naval Ammunition Depot, New Orleans, La.

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Appd SofN 10-25-45
Serial 34857
Signed 111 24 1946

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ELBIE ADKINS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for services as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Runner of Company G, Second Battalion, Twenty-Fifth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, during action on enemy Japanese-held Iwojima, Volcano Islands, 12 March 1945. When an enemy bunker disrupted the advance of his company and all attempts to destroy it had failed, Private First Class Adkins volunteered to go forward alone to attack with rifle grenades, although fully aware that he would be under heavy hostile fire at every point of observation he might choose. Advancing to a ridge in front of his own lines and only thirty yards from the Japanese bunker, he took steady aim, fired and scored two direct hits before he fell, mortally wounded by rifle fire. By his daring action, he had forced the enemy within the bunker to cease firing and seek cover, thereby enabling his company to advance and destroy the fortification. His outstanding courage and unwavering devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

SSaw/perm cit & CMC ltr delivered informally to parents on 28Aug46 by Cinc, USMC DHRB, Huntington, W.Va.

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Acting

Secretary of the Navy.

R.--Harts, West Virginia
B.--Harts, West Virginia

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ppd SofN 1-18-45
Serial 12021
Signed APR 28 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

SERGEANT JACK W. AEBY, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with a Marine Rifle Company of the First Battalion, Twenty-Fourth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, during the invasion of Saipan Island, Marianas Group, 22 June 1944. When his platoon was ordered to aid the unit on its left during a vigorous attack, Sergeant Aeby courageously led his squad in advance of the rest of his platoon and, effectively directing and controlling the fire of his group, enabled the unit to withdraw without further losses. Remaining in his position until he assured himself that all his men were protected, he then attempted to withdraw but was mortally wounded by hostile sniper fire. Sergeant Aeby's valliant fighting spirit and selfless devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL
Secretary of the Navy.

R--Chicago, Illinois

B--North Vernon, Indiana

SSM, perm cit & ltr fr CMC pres'd 21 July by CinC, USMCCPD, U.S.CourthouseBldg.,
225 S. Clark St., Chicago, Ill. to the daughter of the late Sgt. Aeby, Miss Diane
Karen Aeby, (b) (6) at request of widow, Mrs. Jack W.
Aeby, informally at home.

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Serial 7396
Signed-----

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT WALTER F. AFFLITTO,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company B, First Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces at Peleliu, Palau Islands, 15 September 1944. When an enemy mortar inflicted several direct hits on his tractor causing numerous casualties among personnel as they were proceeding to disembark on the beach, Sergeant Afflitto defied intense enemy gunfire to proceed to the aid of a wounded man and, although his carbine was shot out of his hands by a blast of Japanese fire, courageously continued on his way to reach the wounded man and administer first aid. Then, armed with the casualty's gun, he effected the reorganization of his group and led them forward to the assigned objective. Subsequently assuming command of his platoon when the leader was struck down by enemy fire, he braved a powerful barrage from enemy mortars to push forward and take a strategic ridge commanding the area. By his initiative, courage and devotion to duty throughout this hazardous operation, Sergeant Afflitto upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

R--Newark, New Jersey.
B--Newark, New Jersey.

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

264583
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App. SofN 5-13-44
Serial 2013
Signed JUL 6 1944

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROBERT H. AGNEW, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the Second Marine Division during action against enemy Japanese forces at Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, November 20 and 21, 1943. Acting as stretcher bearer on a section of the beach where heavy casualties among hospital corpsmen made the lack of trained first-aid men acute, Private First Class Agnew voluntarily advanced under intense enemy machine-gun and rifle fire to front line positions in order to render first aid to his wounded comrades. Returning repeatedly to the line of action to minister to the injured and evacuate several of them to safety, Private First Class Agnew carried on his heroic mission until fatally wounded on the second day of the attack. His great personal valor and exceptional spirit of self-sacrifice on behalf of his comrades were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R-San Francisco, Calif.
B-San Francisco, Calif.

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Serial 54757
Signed NOV 14 1947

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

FIRST LIEUTENANT WILLIAM H. AGNEW,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Forward Observer of Battery K, Fourth Battalion, Fifteenth Marines, Sixth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 12 April 1945. When the infantry battalion to which he was attached was pinned down by extremely heavy machine-gun and mortar fire which caused many casualties, First Lieutenant Agnew unhesitatingly advanced alone to a high point beyond the front lines and, although continually exposed to hostile gunfire, directed devastating artillery fire which destroyed one 20-mm. gun, three machine guns and three mortars. By his heroic and skillful action, he enabled the infantry battalion to disrupt the enemy defenses, organize the high ground for the night and place themselves in a position to launch an attack the next morning. His initiative, courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--East Orange, N. J.,
B--Passaic, N. J.

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Serial-44965
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CAPTAIN CHARLES J. AHERN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of Company F, Second Battalion, Twenty-third Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 7 March 1945. When a number of enemy machine guns concealed in difficult terrain held up the advance of his company, Captain Ahern proceeded ahead of his front lines and directed effective tank fire which destroyed four of the hostile machine guns and enabled his company to continue the assault. Although painfully wounded while exposing himself for over an hour to concentrated Japanese fire to accomplish this mission, he resolutely continued his command until he had succeeded in destroying the opposition. His skillful leadership, courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R-Arlington, Mass.
B-Somerville, Mass.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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Spot Award
Serial 721
Signed AUG 5 1943

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PLATOON SERGEANT GEORGE E. AHO, U.S. MARINE CORPS,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action while serving with the Second Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in combat against enemy Japanese forces in the vicinity of the Matanikau River, Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on November 3, 1942. With his platoon leader seriously wounded and removed from the field of battle, Platoon Sergeant Aho took charge, and by his cool, courageous leadership kept his men in the thick of the action. In the face of heavy enemy machine-gun and mortar fire, with several of his command killed or wounded, he fought on with grim determination and steadfast devotion to duty, neutralizing one machine-gun nest and killing several snipers who were holding up the advance of his platoon. His comrades following his heroic example, were finally able to close with the enemy in hand-to-hand combat. As a result, Platoon Sergeant Aho and his dauntless men were responsible to a great extent for the complete annihilation of the Japanese at this point."

For the President,
WANK KNOX
Secretary of the Navy.

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R - Fitchburg, Massachusetts.
B - Fitchburg, Massachusetts.

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SPOT
Serial 9468
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT EDWARD G. AHRENS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Platoon Guide of Company A, First Battalion, Sixth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 15 and 17 June 1944. On 15 June, Sergeant Ahrens crossed a stretch of open terrain under intense enemy machine-gun and rifle fire to rescue a severely wounded member of his platoon. Two days later, when his Commanding Officer was killed and the Executive Officer wounded during an attack against a heavily defended rocky cliff, Sergeant Ahrens moved forward under intense machine-gun fire and carried the wounded Executive Officer to safety. His courage, initiative and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Ross, California
B--Ross, California

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DGP-298-ec

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Serial 51256

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL MICHAEL M. AICEGA,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Rifle Squad Leader of Company K, Third Battalion, Twenty-first Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 24 February 1945. After his squad leader became a casualty during an attack on enemy positions on Airfield Number Two, Corporal Aicega immediately assumed command of the squad which was then under heavy enemy machine-gun, mortar, artillery and rifle fire, and continued the attack. When the platoon was temporarily halted by an enemy pillbox, he recovered a flame thrower from a fallen Marine and employed it to annihilate the occupants of the emplacement, thereby enabling his platoon to continue the attack. His leadership and courageous devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN F. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

R--Oroville, California

B--Westwood, California

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

FIRST SERGEANT JACK R. AINSWORTH,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company C, First Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces during the assault on enemy-held Peleliu, Palau Islands, 19 and 20 September 1944. After his company suffered heavy casualties during an assault on a strongly defended hill and was reorganizing under point-blank enemy artillery and mortar fire, First Sergeant Ainsworth organized company headquarters and the remnants of the first and second platoons. After forming his unit, he led them to positions where they could bring direct fire to bear on hostile mortars which were inflicting heavy casualties on our troops. He remained in the forefront of his men during enemy counterattacks which were repelled with heavy losses to the enemy throughout the night. Always calm and aggressive, he frequently closed with the enemy in desperate hand-to-hand combat and, by his courage and coolness under fire, served as an inspiration to his men in holding the position during a perilous situation. His outstanding fighting spirit and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R-Los Angeles, Calif.
B-Los Angeles, Calif.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS SIDNEY T. AINSWORTH, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving in Headquarters Company, First Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, on 7 May 1945. During an intensified, heavy enemy fire attack on his rifle platoon's positions, Private First Class Ainsworth single-handedly destroyed an enemy mortar with his rocket launcher and subsequently employed the same weapon in skillfully covering the withdrawal of his platoon. By his courageous actions in the face of intense enemy mortar, machine-gun and sniper fire, he rendered invaluable assistance in enabling his platoon to retire to a more favorable position without further casualties. His courage, aggressive fighting spirit and unswerving devotion to duty throughout were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANCIS B. MATTHEWS

Secretary of the Navy.

R-Belzoni, Miss.
B-Sumner, Miss.

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CLAUDI AIRAUDI,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Battery C, First Battalion, Tenth Marines, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, on 21 November 1943. Boldly carrying his pack howitzer forward to the limit of the heavily fortified beachhead, Private First Class Airaudi promptly assembled the weapon under the enemy's incessant shellfire and, launching an aggressive attack against a pillbox, sheltering a hostile antiboat gun which was inflicting heavy casualties among reinforcements landing on the shore, succeeded in destroying the position with his accurate fire. By his dauntless perseverance, outstanding fortitude and cool courage in the face of extreme danger, Private First Class Airaudi contributed materially to the success of the mission, and his zealous devotion to duty throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R- Redwood City, Calif.
B- " " "

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JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CHARLES J. AKERS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Rocket Grenadier of Company A, First Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 17 September 1944. When his company was pinned down by heavy fire from a mountain gun emplaced in a cave, Private First Class Akers voluntarily and courageously advanced through intense hostile mortar, artillery and small-arms fire to a position forward of our lines and close to the enemy guns. Boldly occupying this exposed position, he deliberately fired six rockets into the enemy emplacement and succeeded in annihilating the crew and silencing the hostile weapon. By his heroic action, Private First Class Akers prevented his company from sustaining further heavy casualties. His bravery, daring initiative and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

WALTER L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

R--Fletcher, North Carolina

B--Lynchburg, Virginia

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DGP-298-eme

Cincpac
SPOT
Serial 0093
Signed NOV 14 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CAPTAIN ANTHONY A. AKSTIN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of Company K, Third Battalion, Third Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Guam, Marianas Islands, 23 July 1944. Skillfully and swiftly launching a surprise attack on a commanding ridge, Captain Akastin seized the objective with a minimum loss to his rifle company and, despite heavy hostile machine-gun fire, organized defenses against an impending counterattack. When an enemy machine-gun emplacement opened fire on his company, causing six casualties and threatening his position, he courageously led an attack which accounted for thirteen Japanese and silenced the enemy guns. Receiving a serious wound in the head, he refused to be evacuated until the ridge was secured and the defenses firmly established. His leadership, perseverance and gallant devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Worcester, Mass.
B..Brockton, Mass.

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Serial 00406
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SECOND LIEUTENANT THOMAS J. ALBERGHINI,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company A, First Battalion, Twenty-second Marines (Reinforced) First Provisional Marine Brigade, in action against enemy Japanese forces in the vicinity of Agat Village, Guam, Marianas Islands, 21 July 1944. Leading his platoon in the assault inland from the beach on D-Day, Second Lieutenant Alberghini sustained painful wounds while attacking an enemy machine gun position but refusing evacuation or removal to safety, continued to lead his platoon eight hours longer, leaving only after his men were dug in for the night defense and his Commanding Officer had ordered his return to the aid station. His aggressive fighting spirit, fortitude and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Peabody, Massachusetts
B--Peabody, Massachusetts

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FMFPac
SPOT
Serial 00597
Signed

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRI VATE FIRST CLASS CALVIN P. ALBRIGHT,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Second in Command of an Assault Team of Headquarters Company, First Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces during the assault on enemy-held Peleliu, Palau Islands, 14 September 1944. Receiving a call from the front line for flame throwers, Private First Class Albright voluntarily led his squad in an assault on a heavy enemy fortification from which machine guns were inflicting severe casualties. Although half of his squad became casualties from the deadly fire, he skillfully placed the remaining men to deliver frontal fire in the mouth of the cave while he daringly assaulted the flank with a flame thrower. Determined to force the hostile defenders into the open, he hurled white phosphorous grenades into the cave until the Japanese charged him, whereupon he discharged the flame thrower and annihilated thirteen of the enemy. By his courageous efforts, Private First Class Albright aided materially in restoring contact between units of the separate regiments, and his gallant conduct in the face of heavy hostile fire was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

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For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Ballings, Mont.
B--Solen, N.Dak.

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Serial 11705
Signed APR 10 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CORPORAL HARTLEY W. ALDEN, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Non-Commissioned Officer in command of a Reconnaissance Team serving with the Fourth Tank Battalion, Fourth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 15 June 1944. Courageously leading his men forward in the face of a pounding barrage of enemy mortar, artillery and machine-gun fire, Corporal Alden quickly and efficiently made an observation of hostile territory, gathering information of vital importance to our forces before he was mortally wounded by an accurate burst of Japanese fire. By his splendid leadership and unflinching devotion to duty in the face of grave peril, Corporal Alden was an inspiration to his comrades, and his valiant conduct throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

SSM & perm cit pres'd on 5-4-45 by Comdt.,
Norfolk Navy Yd., Portsmouth, Va., to widow of
R--Foxboro, Mass. the late Corp. Alden, Max Hartley W.
B--Cambridge, Mass. (b) (6)
Va., at ceremony in Norfolk Navy Yard.

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Approved SofN 11-4-50
CincPacSerial 12531

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

FIRST LIEUTENANT JOHN A. ALDEN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Forward Artillery Observer in Battery E, Second Battalion, Fourteenth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, on 15-16 June 1944. When the senior officer of his amphibian tractor became a casualty shortly after landing operations on Saipan, First Lieutenant Alden took an active part in organizing the defense of the isolated position and in repelling the enemy. Despite heavy hostile fire, he successfully facilitated the advance of friendly troops by effectively directing artillery fire on the enemy forces. By his cool courage and unswerving devotion to duty throughout this action, First Lieutenant Alden upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANCIS P. MATTHEWS

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Arlington, Mass.

B..Boston, Mass.

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DGP-298-eme

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SPOT
Serial 22942
Signed NOV 14 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CAPTAIN JOHN G. ALDWORTH,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of Company C, First Engineer Battalion, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 4 October 1944. When one of his platoons came under heavy enemy machine-gun and small-arms fire from a higher, enemy-held ridge while in possession of a dominating position, Captain Aldworth took personal charge of the action and moved continuously along his front lines, reassuring his men and improving their positions until he was wounded in the arm and chest. Despite his wounds, he refused evacuation until he had controlled the successful withdrawal of elements of his command to a less exposed area. His leadership, courage and gallant spirit of service reflect the highest credit upon Captain Aldworth and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Long Island, New York.
B..New York City, New York.

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SPOT
Serial 41646
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL RAYMOND A. ALEXANDER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Demolition Specialist with an Engineer Platoon of the Fourth Engineer Battalion, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 21 February 1945. Volunteering to guide a platoon of tanks through intense hostile fire to the front lines, Corporal Alexander preceded the vehicles to uncover and disarm obstructing land-mines in the designated path of advance. Remaining with the lead tank after it had taken up a firing position, he directed its fire on enemy gun emplacements and contributed materially to the neutralization of these positions. His courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Mason Town, Pa.
B--Smock, Pa.

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Serial 91144
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL RICHARD H. ALEXANDRE,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Section Leader in a Special Weapons Platoon of Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 28 May 1945. When his section was advancing to gain command of a strongly-defended hostile position on high ground, Corporal Alexandre volunteered to go approximately seventy-five yards beyond the lines to destroy this stronghold with a demolition charge. Braving heavy enemy machine-gun and mortar fire, he placed the demolition charge and succeeded in sealing the cave, killing many of the Japanese. By his initiative and aggressive fighting spirit, he enabled his company to continue its advance with a minimum of casualties. His courage under fire was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--San Francisco, Calif.
B--Detroit, Mich.

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Serial 7396

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL HERCULES M. ALFANO,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Headquarters and Service Company, Headquarters Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, from 15 to 17 September 1944. Landing on the beach with the assault battalion in the face of intense enemy fire, Corporal Alfano rendered invaluable assistance to the Regimental Demolition Officer in clearing the reef and beach of personnel and tank mines. Working untiringly to disarm enemy mines on a heavily mined sand pit prior to his battalion's attack against the southwest peninsula on 17 September, he fearlessly defied enemy fire to clear this area and, by his courageous efforts, enabled friendly assault units supported by tanks and flame throwers safely to cross the pit. By his courage and devotion to duty throughout these hazardous operations, Corporal Alfano upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

R--Bronx, N.Y.,
B--N.Y., N.Y.

Secretary of the Navy.

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Cincpac
AppdSofN 2-7-46
Serial 52814
Signed JUL 7 1947

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the GOLD STAR in lieu of a second SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CAPTAIN LEONARD W. ALFORD,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of Company E, Second Battalion, Fourth Marines, Sixth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa Shima, Ryukyu Islands, from 8 to 11 June 1945. Courageously and skillfully directing his company in a series of fiercely opposed attacks against four heavily fortified enemy strongholds, Captain Alford dauntlessly led his men across fire-swept terrain and, exposing himself repeatedly as he moved among his men exhorting them to greater efforts and steadying them by his personal example, drove relentlessly forward and succeeded in shattering the fanatic resistance of the Japanese, thereby insuring the advance of the entire battalion. Mortally wounded during the closing phases of the bitter fighting, he steadfastly refused to relinquish command and halt the impetus of the assault until the final objective had been seized. His inspiring leadership, skilled tactics and unwavering devotion to duty were dominant factors in the successful completion of the hazardous mission and his valiant conduct throughout reflects great credit upon Captain Alford and the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy

R..Garrett, Indiana.
B..Garrett, Indiana.

GS in lieu of 2nd SSM w/perm. cit. & CMC ltr. was pres'd to Mrs. Blanche Alford, mother of the late Captain Leonard W. Alford on 10 Sept. 47 by OinC USMCDHRS, Chicago, Ill. at her home via reg. mail. No publicity was given.

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Serial 0633
Signed OCT 6 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

FIRST LIEUTENANT ABRAHAM R. ALKIRE, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Aerial Observer of the Fifth 155-mm. Howitzer Battalion, Corps Artillery, Fifth Amphibious Corps, during operations against enemy Japanese forces in the Philippine Islands Area, 3 November 1944. When his unarmed plane was attacked by three enemy pursuit planes while on an observation mission, First Lieutenant Alkire was painfully wounded and, despite the sustained attack of the enemy, continued his observation, making constant corrective reports by radio and directing the fire of his artillery unit to the target until the radio installations in his plane were destroyed by gunfire and the plane totally disabled. His courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Mt. Sterling, Ohio.
B--Mt. Sterling, Ohio.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

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Signed _____
FMFPac Spot Serial 11133

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PLATOON SERGEANT ADOLPH A. ALLA,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Demolition Rocket Expert of Headquarters Company, Headquarters and Service Battalion, Fifth Amphibious Corps, Fleet Marine Force, during operations against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 8 March 1945. When the short range of the rocket launcher necessitated dragging it one hundred and fifty yards in advance of the front lines, Platoon Sergeant Alla volunteered to accompany the weapon in order to control and adjust the firing of the rockets on assigned fortified enemy positions. Despite the heavy hostile mortar and small-arms barrage which endangered him in this unprotected position, he coolly completed his mission kneeling at the side of the launcher to fire, readjust and discharge all misfires. By his bold initiative, and technical skill, he contributed materially to the success of his unit and his courageous devotion to duty was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN J. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Arlington, Mass.
B..Boston, Mass.

013345
LGP-298-eln

Spot Award
Serial 0058
Signed JUN 9 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CAPTAIN RICHARD H. ALLAN, Jr., USMCR.

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while Commanding Officer of Company C, First Marine Parachute Battalion, in action against enemy Japanese forces near Koi-ari, Bougainville, Solomon Islands, on November 29, 1943. While his company was engaged in fierce and bitter fighting with the numerically superior enemy, Captain Allan courageously advanced forward of his front lines, directly into the fire lane of a hostile machine gun, and removed several of his wounded men to a safer area. Throughout the extremely hazardous fourteen hours of ceaseless combat, his personal valor was an inspiration to the men under his command and contributed materially to the successful conclusion of the action. Captain Allan's splendid initiative and unselfish devotion to duty, maintained in the face of grave peril, were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R...Charleston, S.C.

B... " "

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DGP-298-ec

Approved Sof 3-31-48
1stMarDiv
Serial 5872

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WALTER W. ALLEMAN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Fire Team Leader of Company F, Second Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, on 4 May 1945. Subjected to heavy grenade, rifle and machine-gun fire, Private First Class Alleman led his men with coolness and courage in valiant defense of his company's position against a strong enemy counterlanding. When the attacking forces approached his position, he boldly engaged the enemy and, killing ten of them, disrupted their attack and thereby enabled his unit to hold the commanding ground above the beach. His personal courage, daring initiative and aggressive devotion to duty were strong factors in repulsing the enemy counterattack and reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Alleman and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--High Spire, Pa.

B--Hummelstown, Pa.

334729
DGP-298-eln

Cincpac
App.SofN 2-1-45
Serial 0400
Signed JUL 5 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS GRAHAM M. ALLEN, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Fire Team Leader serving with the First Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu Island, Palau Group, 15 September 1944. Observing a Japanese pillbox firing upon an adjacent unit, Private First Class Allen maneuvered his fire team into a position to fire effectively upon the enemy emplacement and, despite intense hostile rifle and machine-gun fire, risked his life to advance, throwing two hand grenades into the pillbox and destroying a machine gun and its crew. Although mortally wounded while performing this heroic act, Private First Class Allen had contributed materially to the ultimate success of a vital campaign pointing toward further victories over the Japanese. His self-sacrificing spirit and courageous conduct in the face of grave peril were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Atlanta, Georgia.
B..Atlanta, Georgia.

SSM, perm cit & ltr fr CMC pres'd 11 July by OinC, USMCSPD, HIRS, 10 Forsyth St. Bldg. Atlanta, Ga. to the parents of the late PFC. Allen, Mr. & Mrs. Scott W. Allen, 1865 Ponce de Leon Ave., N.E. Atlanta, Ga. informally at home.

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DGP 298 Navy rmh

CGFMF Spt Ser. 7394 JAN 30 1948
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS HERBERT H. ALLEN, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Battery A, First Battalion, Tenth Marines, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Tinian, Marianas Islands, 2 August 1944. When five Japanese launched an attack against his machine gun post, Private First Class Allen instantly engaged the onrushing enemy and, in a fierce hand-to-hand struggle with sabers and pistols, helped to kill three of the enemy and forced the remainder to withdraw. His aggressive fighting spirit, courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

R. Perry, Ill.
B. Omaha, Neb.

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Secretary of the Navy.

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DGP-298-RTT

ComGenFMFPac Ser 98716
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL CHARLIE W. ALLMANN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company K, Third Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 24 May 1945. Although he and his entire party of five were wounded while patrolling well forward of our front lines, Corporal Allmann courageously carried out the mission in the face of intense hostile fire, gaining valuable information relative to the strength and disposition of the enemy. Then, after supervising the evacuation of the casualties in the patrol, he delivered the vital data to his unit, refusing evacuation until he had completed this mission. By his heroism, fortitude and steadfast devotion to duty, Corporal Allmann upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Colby, Wisconsin
B..Colby, Wisconsin

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DGP-298-lfg

Cincpac
Appd SofN 9 13-45
Serial - 35590
Signed JUL 9 1946

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The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LEONARD J. ALLNUTT,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Mortar Ammunition Carrier, serving with Company C, First Battalion, Twenty-Eighth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, on 19 February 1945. Armed with hand grenades and demolition charges, Private First Class Allnutt voluntarily crawled forward several hundred feet to the left flank of a Japanese blockhouse from which terrific automatic small-arms fire and a barrage of hand grenades were holding up the advance of his platoon. Facing the enemy's heavy fire with cool daring and resolute fighting spirit, he destroyed the blockhouse and its occupants, thereby facilitating his platoon's offensive. By his aggressive initiative and unwavering devotion to duty, Private First Class Allnutt upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Acting Secretary of the Navy.

R--Kelso, Washington.

E--Anaconda, Montana.

permanently, permanent citation and CM's etc was presented to Mr. & Mrs. Leonard J. Allnutt, on 23Aug46, with appropriate publicity given, by CO, MB, USNBase, etc

470773
DGP-298-Navy-RDA

CincPac
SPOT
Serial 0647
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JAMES H. ALLRED,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Headquarters and Service Company, Second Marines, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, from 20 to 24 November 1943. Skilled and aggressive during fierce combat against a deeply entrenched enemy in the central sector of Betio Island, Private First Class Allred fought furiously and without rest throughout three days and nights of bitter offensive action, contributing materially to the success of his unit in wiping out many Japanese emplacements. On one occasion, he boldly proceeded to the gun port of a hostile strong point and, despite the enemy's incessant shellfire, destroyed the entrenchment with well-placed demolitions and grenade fire, then entered the area and killed the remaining personnel. Again risking his life in a subsequent engagement, he fearlessly exposed himself to withering hostile fire to gain an advantageous position for covering the advance of a companion to the entrance of an enemy-held position. His daring initiative, great personal valor and tireless devotion to the completion of each perilous mission served as an inspiration to our troops and reflect the highest credit upon the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R--Sophia, N. C.,
B--High Point, N. C.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

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DGP-298-Navy-RDA

FMFPac
SPOT
Serial 86490
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JAMES S. ALLSHOUSE,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Gunner of Company G, First Battalion, Ninth Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 12 March 1945. Unable to bring effective fire on a hostile pillbox and many enemy soldiers which he had located in trenches, Private First Class Allshouse loaded himself with white phosphorus grenades and hand grenades and proceeded under intense small-arms fire to the assault platoons where he persuaded three men to continue forward with him. Met by a heavy volume of hostile fire when he reached hand grenade range of the enemy, he threw his grenades despite the danger until he had either killed or put to flight all Japanese soldiers in the position. Immediately returning to his gun position, he resumed fire on other enemy targets and, by his actions, contributed materially to the capturing of the company objective. His initiative, courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

R--Chagrin Falls, Ohio., For the President,
B--Chagrin Falss, Ohio.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 00435-45

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CAPTAIN SIDNEY J. ALTMAN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of Company E, Second Battalion, Twenty-first Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Guam, Marianas Islands, on 21 and 22 July 1944. Displaying sound judgment and tactical control when his right assault platoon was pinned down by overwhelming enemy fire, Captain Altman continued to move on the objective with his left flank platoon and, despite intense hostile fire, personally directed the fire of his mortars and machine guns to disperse the Japanese and seize the vital objective. In the face of further enemy fire a short while later, he advanced alone beyond the friendly defense line and returned a wounded man to safety. Staunchly fighting off repeated counterattacks during the night, he placed his command post on the front line to exercise better control and to direct more effective mortar and artillery fire, and steadfastly held his position throughout the night despite heavy casualties. Threatened by a Japanese break through his defense at daybreak, he promptly ordered the placing of an artillery barrage perilously close to his sector and, although painfully wounded by hostile hand grenades, succeeded in repelling the enemy attack before being evacuated from the area. By his professional skill, inspiring leadership and devotion to duty, Captain Altman contributed to the success of his company's mission and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

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R - Bronx, N. Y.
B - New York, N. Y.

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT JOSEPH R. ALVAREZ,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Tank Gunner of the First Tank Battalion, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 16 June 1945. While engaged in evacuating wounded Marines from a position forward of friendly lines to the Battalion Aid Station, Sergeant Alvarez voluntarily and courageously exposed himself to hostile machine-gun and sniper fire to ride on the back of his tank, giving aid to the wounded men and protecting them with his body. Although wounded while riding in this precarious position, he continued to make several trips before consenting to having his own wounds treated. His courage, selfless actions and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Sergeant Alvarez and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

B - Tempe, Arizona.
R - Tempe, Arizona.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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DGP-298-eln

Cincpac
App.SofN 4-26-45
Serial 03026
Signed DEC 11 1945

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

MAJOR EVERETT V. ALWARD, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of Marine Fighting Squadron ONE TWENTY-THREE attached to the U.S.S. BENNINGTON operating against enemy Japanese forces in the Tokyo Area, 25 February 1945. Undaunted by reduced visibility and intense blasts from nearby shore batteries, Major Alward boldly countered intercepting hostile air patrols to launch an aggressive and determined strike on a large enemy cargo ship, braving concentrated antiaircraft fire from the target to press home repeated attacks which severely damaged the vessel and set it ablaze. When his formation was attacked by a numerically superior force of aircraft, Major Alward courageously rallied his flight and skillfully fought off the Japanese until his plane was rendered inoperable. His able leadership and indomitable courage were contributing factors in the success of our mission in this vital theater of war, and his unwavering devotion to duty was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Morgan Hill, Calif.
B..Youngstown, Alberta, Canada.

SSM, perm cit ltr fr CMC delivered by Com. USNB, to widow, Mrs Everett V. Alward of late Major Alward, at a ceremony in the Office of the Comm., USNB, Newport, R.I., on 10Jul46.

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DGP-298-eln

Cincpac
App. SofN 2-22-45
Serial 1324
Signed 10-5-45

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CORPORAL MICHAEL E. AMAR,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Group Leader of a Rifle Squad serving with the First Battalion, Twenty-First Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on the Asan-Adelup Beach-head, Guam, Marianas Islands, 22-23 July 1944. Courageous and aggressive in the face of the terrific fire from Japanese guns, Corporal Amar rendered vallant service during initial landing operations on this strategically important island. During a fierce counterattack by enemy forces on the night of 22-23 July 1944, he was supplementing the fire of a machine gun with fire from his automatic rifle when the machine gun was destroyed and all members of the crew were seriously wounded. Fighting alone, he killed four of the enemy, including two officers, and held the position until the reorganization of his squad was completed thirty-five yards to the rear. Later that night, Corporal Amar led a fire team through an area covered by intense hostile fire in a daring attempt to destroy the enemy in their fox-holes near his squad's former position and was severely wounded during this action. His indomitable fighting spirit and outstanding skill were contributing factors in the ultimate success of a vital campaign and in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

R--Chattanooga, Tenn.

SS. perm cit. ltr fr. OMC ~~presented to the Navy~~ MAD, NAS,
Atlanta, Ga. to the mother of the late Corporal Amar,
Mrs. Rose Amar. (b) (6)

Informal pres at Knights of Columbus Hall, Chattanooga,
Tenn. in presence of friends.
Due publicity given.

399098
DGP-298-ebg

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL THUREL R. AMASON,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company L, Third Battalion, Sixth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 1 July 1944. When the advance of his company was halted by intense hostile machine-gun and mortar fire in an attack on a high ridge and many casualties were inflicted on the group, Corporal Amason bravely worked his way to the aid of the wounded and, although subjected to the heavy fire, successfully carried two of his comrades to safe positions where they could be attended. Returning again through the exposed area under continuous shellfire to rescue a third man, he, himself, received a serious wound. His courage, devotion to duty and grave concern for the welfare of others were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.

For the President,

WILLIAM L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R-Columbia, La.
B-Jonesboro, La.

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DGP-298-lgg

Cincpac
Appd SofN 3-4-46
Serial-35666
Signed JUN 23 1947

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CORPORAL HARRY N. AMATO,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Group Leader in Company A, First Battalion, Twenty-sixth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, from 21 February to 16 March 1945. Sustaining painful leg wounds under the enemy's intense mortar and artillery barrages on the night of 21 February, Corporal Amato steadfastly refused evacuation and dauntlessly led his group in a series of hand-to-hand struggles with the Japanese. Evacuated on the following day, he returned to the battle front within the week to fight relentlessly against obstinate hostile resistance until wounded for the second time while leading a determined assault. An indomitable fighter, he was back in the thick of battle two days later and continued to wage a bitter offensive despite the desperate odds. Felled by enemy machine-gun fire on 16 March, as he led a smashing drive against a heavily fortified Japanese installation, Corporal Amato, by his inspiring leadership and sustained aggressiveness throughout critical stages of the action, had contributed materially to the effectiveness of his company's operations against this vital outpost of the Japanese Empire, and his outstanding valor in the face of great personal danger upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country.

For the President

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy

R..Brooklyn, N.Y.
B..Saltville, Va.

SSM w/perm. cit. & CMC ltr. was pres'd to Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Amato, parents of the late Corp. Amato on 6 Jan 194 in the office of the Com. Off, with appropriate ceremony.

08036
DGP-298-gjd

Spot Award.
Serial 724.
Signed ~~AUG 11 1943~~

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SECOND LIEUTENANT RICHARD R. AMERINE, USMCR.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action while attached to Marine Aircraft Group TWENTY-THREE in combat with enemy Japanese forces on Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on August 31, 1942. While on combat patrol over enemy territory, Second Lieutenant Amerine lost consciousness when his oxygen supply failed, but recovered in time to parachute to safety. After alighting on the water and discarding most of his clothing to facilitate swimming, he made shore and started to trek back through the jungle toward his base. Coming upon a Japanese soldier, Second Lieutenant Amerine killed him with a rock in order to secure his weapons. Although weak from hunger and hunted by the enemy, he succeeded in killing three snipers while working his tortuous way for six days through the underbrush. By his grim determination and indomitable fighting spirit he overcame almost insurmountable difficulties and finally reached his airfield."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Williamstown, Kansas.

B - Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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DGP-298-eln

Cincpac
App. SofN 1-4-45
Serial 004235
Signed APR 18 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CORPORAL JESSE W. AMEY, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Fire-Team Leader serving with the Third Battalion, Third Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Guam, Marianas Islands, on 21 July 1944. When enemy fire seriously wounded the two riflemen with whom he was defending an important position, after one other comrade had been killed and two more evacuated, Corporal Amey, refusing to withdraw from the area despite fierce Japanese rifle and grenade opposition, steadfastly maintained an intense, accurate covering fire until his two companions were moved to safety. Although killed while engaged in his valiant single-handed fight, Corporal Amey had enabled a subsequent support echelon to take over and hold the position. Corporal Amey's exceptional fortitude, indomitable fighting spirit and tenacious devotion to duty in the face of grave peril were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R..St. Petersburg, Fla.
B..New York, N.Y.

SSM, perm. cit. & ltr. fr. CMC pres'd 5/21/45 by OinC, USMCDHI&RS, 306-09 Flo. Theater Bldg., Jacksonville, Fla. to the widow of the late Corp. Amey, Mrs. Jesse W. Amey, (b) (6)

(b) (6)

with informal delivery to home.

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DGP-298-he

App. SofN 3-24-44
Serial 917
Signed JUN 23 1944

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

LIEUTENANT COLONEL HERBERT R. AMEY, JR., USMC.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer, Second Battalion, Second Marines, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, November 20, 1943. After completing organization of assault waves incident to landing on the well fortified Japanese beachhead, Lieutenant Colonel Amey gallantly led his battalion forward in the face of devastating machine-gun and mortar fire. When the amphibious tractor in which he was riding reached an unsurpassable coral reef, he was forced to abandon the vehicle in order to save it and led his men on through the treacherous waters. Mortally wounded by hostile machine-gun fire before reaching the shore, he refused assistance and urged his command to continue without him. His brilliant leadership, great personal valor and unrelenting devotion to duty in the face of grave peril served as an inspiration to the men under his command and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R-Ambler, Penn.
B-Philadelphia, Penn.

912443
DGP-298-rlz

Cincpac
AppdSofN 11-21-45
Serial 34919
Signed JAN 30 1947

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CORPORAL JOSEPH B. AMOS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Acting Squad Leader, serving with a platoon of Company A, First Battalion, Twenty-sixth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 7 March 1945. With both his squad leader and assistant squad leader mortally wounded, Corporal Amos courageously assumed command of his squad and, fearlessly exposing himself to heavy enemy machine-gun and rifle fire, advanced into Japanese territory, engaged the enemy in ferocious hand-to-hand fighting and personally accounted for ten of the enemy. Later that night, despite fierce hostile fire, he courageously led the right flank squad of his platoon up on line and succeeded in guiding his men into a position which was in a vital sector of the platoon's line of defense before he was fatally struck down by enemy fire. His heroic actions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Mason City, Iowa.
B..Burchinal, Iowa.

SSM perm cit ltr fr CMC sent to widow of late Corp Amos, Mrs. Frances G. Amos, by registered mail, by OinC, DHRS, Des Moines. According to the desires of the recipient's of award publicity has been given.

HEADQUARTERS USAFISPA
APO #502

20 December 1943.

GENERAL ORDERS)

NO. 516)

Awards of the Silver Star

*Original letter
sent out 4-9-44*

111. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to the following-named officers and enlisted men:

EUGENE P. AMURRI, (398389), Private First Class, United States Marine Corps, for gallantry in action at New Georgia, Solomon Islands, on 27 July 1943. In his seventh sortie as a tank driver against strongly entrenched enemy positions Private Amurri was seriously wounded in his left knee. Despite this, and with the use of only one foot, he courageously drove his tank safely to the rear and by this action saved the lives of his commanding officer and two fellow tankmen. Home address: McClelland Town, Pennsylvania.

By Command of Lieutenant General HARMON:

A. J. BARNETT,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

M. B. KENDRICK,
Major, A. G. D.,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

R ... Larimer, Pennsylvania.
B ... Larimer, Pennsylvania.

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Serial 584485
Signed-----DEC 5 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS EDWARD J. ANDEL,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company I, Third Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, on 21 May 1945. When intense hostile machine-gun fire halted the advancement of two rifle squads he was leading in an attack against heavily-defended enemy positions, Private First Class An-del directed his men to covered areas and then, single-handedly working his way forward through hostile fire, attacked and destroyed the Japanese machine gun fortification and killed the defenders who were hampering his squads' advancement. His outstanding courage, leadership and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R-Cicero, Ill.
B-Lyons, Ill.

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DGP-298-sps

FMFPac
SPOT
Serial 00598

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CAPTAIN BURTIS W. ANDERSON,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of Company B, First Battalion, Ninth Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Guam, Marianas Islands, from 3 to 5 August 1944. Skilled and aggressive in continued action against Japanese resistance, Captain Anderson personally directed the attack against a strongly fortified roadblock on 3 August. Although subjected to heavy enemy rifle and machine-gun fire and to artillery entrenched along the road, he fearlessly moved throughout his company's zone of action to issue orders verbally to his Platoon Leaders and, by his courageous actions, inspired his men to overrun the enemy fortifications and secure the objective. Later, in a battle to destroy artillery forces defending a similar roadblock, he skillfully directed his Company in attacking through heavy brush and, again leading his platoons from positions within point-blank range of the enemy's weapons, quickly annihilated the hostile forces in his sector. His coolness under fire and inspiring leadership throughout were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Huntington, W. Va.
B - Portsmouth, Ohio.

339695
DGP-298-rf

Spot Award.
Serial 724
Signed AUG 11 1943

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL CLARENCE G. ANDERSON, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action while serving with Marine Aircraft Group ~~TWENTY-THREE~~ during the bombardment of Henderson Field, Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, by enemy Japanese surface and air forces on the early morning of October 16, 1942. When the terrific fire of a Japanese surface craft blasted and felled a tree which killed one marine and seriously wounded another caught beneath it, Corporal Anderson, at great risk of his life, voluntarily rushed out in the face of intense Japanese fire, and with several companions succeeded in extricating their wounded comrade and getting him prompt medical attention. The unselfish initiative and heroic efforts of Corporal Anderson and his companions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Beardstown, Illinois.

B - Beardstown, Illinois, 9-3-1919.

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Serial 01440
Signed JUL 10 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

ASSISTANT COOK EUGENE O. ANDERSON, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the First Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on the Island of Peleliu in the Palau Group, on 15 September 1944. Arriving with the initial assault waves on the fire-swept beach, Assistant Cook Anderson repeatedly exposed himself to the enemy's merciless fire as he worked tirelessly throughout the fierce hostilities on D-Day in evacuating casualties from the front lines to the battalion aid station at the rear. Confronted by an enemy tank while carrying a wounded Marine back to the aid station, he fearlessly disregarded all personal danger to place his helpless comrade in a shellhole and, rendering himself a clear target for the enemy, was struck down and mortally wounded by a burst of fire from the Japanese tank. By his determined initiative, undaunted fortitude and cool courage in the face of savage, unceasing opposition, Assistant Cook Anderson saved one Marine from certain death and contributed materially to the safety of numerous others. His decisive conduct and valiant spirit of self-sacrifice reflect the highest credit upon himself and upon the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Seattle, Wash.

B..Thorp, Wash.

SSM, perm Cit, ltr fr CMC pres'd by CO, MB, US Naval Station, Seattle, Wash. on 25Aug45 to prnts of the late Asst Ck Anderson. Mr. & Mrs. Orval R. Anderson, (b) (6)

Appropriate ceremony in the auditorium of the US Naval Station, Seattle. Publicity in leading newspapers of Seattle.

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE GEORGE E. ANDERSON,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Litter Bearer of the Third Battalion, Twenty-sixth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 26 February 1945. When a Marine was seriously wounded by mortar fire twenty yards ahead of the lines, Private Anderson unhesitatingly crawled through enemy machine-gun cross-fire to the shellhole where the wounded man was lying. Extricating him from the shellhole, he carried him to safety, thereby contributing directly to saving the man's life. On numerous other occasions, he braved hostile fire to carry out his hazardous duties. His courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Willmar, Minn.,
B--Canby, Minn.

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Signed

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT GLENN E. ANDERSON,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the Second Amphibian Tractor Battalion, Fifth Amphibious Corps, Fleet Marine Force, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, on 20 November 1943. After disembarking assault troops on the heavily fortified beachhead on D-Day, Sergeant Anderson boldly returned to the edge of a treacherous coral reef to assist other units halted in the water by the enemy's concentrated shellfire. Using his tractor as a shield by driving between the gunfire and the troops, he effectively covered their advance to shore and, at the same time, skillfully manned his vehicle's mounted machine-gun to deliver destructive return fire against the fanatic Japanese. Upon reaching the beach, he dauntlessly continued in the fight, providing overhead fire for oncoming troops until his tractor was completely demolished by a Japanese shell. By his prompt and daring action, his great personal valor and zealous devotion to duty in the face of tremendous odds, Sergeant Anderson contributed materially to the success of our forces in capturing this vital hostile stronghold and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

R--Chicago, Ill.,
B--Escanaba, Mich.

Secretary of the Navy.

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CAPTAIN HARRY B. ANDERSON,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Executive Officer of a Light Antiaircraft Weapons Group of the Third Defense Battalion, Fleet Marine Force, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Bougainville, Solomon Islands, from 10 to 20 November 1943. Upon being assigned the mission of coordinating the fire of his group with that of the heavy antiaircraft group and the illumination of the searchlight battery, Captain Anderson voluntarily climbed a tree to a dangerous, exposed position and personally directed the fire of the light and heavy antiaircraft weapons and searchlight illumination throughout sixty-two actual enemy bombing runs, of which thirty-six were repulsed by his personal fire direction. By his outstanding leadership, determination and untiring devotion to duty throughout, he upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Memphis, Tenn.

B..Memphis, Tenn.

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Signed
MAY 11 1945

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SECOND LIEUTENANT HERMANN L. ANDERSON,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while attached to Weapons Company, Seventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 12 April 1945. After a Marine was shot and seriously wounded by enemy fire coming from the entrance of a well-concealed cave at the bottom of a mine shaft which he was investigating, Second Lieutenant Anderson noticed a group of Marines trying to decide on how to extricate their wounded comrade. Immediately lowering himself to the bottom of the shaft although exposed to enemy fire, he tied a rope around the casualty which permitted him to be lifted to safety. Then, although armed only with a pistol, Second Lieutenant Anderson shot and killed the Japanese soldier who had fired on the Marine. By his initiative, courage and unselfish devotion to duty, he saved the life of a seriously wounded comrade and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

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Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 6887
Signed DEC 17 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS MYRL H. ANDERSON,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company C, First Battalion, Sixth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 2 July 1944. When his platoon was held up by heavy machine-gun and mortar fire, Private First Class Anderson courageously moved forward in an effort to locate and destroy the enemy strong point, crossing an open field in the face of an intense mortar barrage and sustaining wounds from the hostile fire. Continuing to advance, he reached a point where he could observe the Japanese machine gun and place accurate fire upon it, thereby annihilating the crew and putting the gun out of action. His courage, initiative and zealous devotion to duty throughout were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Republican City, Nebraska
B..Republican City, Nebraska

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Signed _____

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROBERT L. ANDERSON,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Fire Team Leader of Company B, First Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 25 September 1944. Completely disregarding his own safety, Private First Class Anderson remained continually on the front lines, encouraging his men and leading his fire team forward. Refusing to be evacuated when wounded in the head by shell fragments as his fire team attempted to close a gap between two platoons, he remained with his company until two hand grenades landed in his trench later that night and inflicted additional wounds. By his fortitude, leadership and devotion to duty, Private First Class Anderson upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R. Philadelphia, Pa.
B. Savannah, Ga.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 00396
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL ROBERT P. ANDERSON,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Leader of a Fire Team in an Assault Platoon of Company K, Third Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 15 September 1944. Observing that Marine personnel on the landing beach as well as in his own platoon were receiving heavy machine-gun fire from an enemy pillbox, Corporal Anderson crawled through the undergrowth to the side of the pillbox and, climbing on top of the installation, set off a grenade, killing or driving out the occupants. After those driven out were annihilated by himself and members of his fire team deployed in the rear of the strong point, he led his men to the flank of another pillbox from which the fire of an antitank gun was being directed on our landing craft on the beach. While members of his team threw smoke grenades at the embrasure of the pillbox, he maneuvered to an advantageous position and fired an antitank rifle grenade at the barrel of the hostile gun. Although his first attempt failed, he held his position and, repeating his efforts, placed a direct hit on the weapon, destroying it and its crew and relieving a serious threat to the landing beach. His courage and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Corporal Anderson and the United States Naval Service.

For the President,

R--Zimmerman, Minn.
B--Livonia Twp. Minn.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 35927
Signed DEC 23 1946

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

FIRST LIEUTENANT CHARLES R. ANDERSON, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Leader of a Rifle Platoon of Company C, First Battalion, Twenty-fourth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 6 March 1945. Determined to break the fierce resistance of hostile forces deeply entrenched in a ridge to the front of his advancing company, First Lieutenant Anderson voluntarily led an attack upon the left flank of the Japanese position. Taking the enemy by surprise, he personally accounted for three Japanese dead and, fighting furiously in close combat, succeeded in overrunning the emplacement. Although fatally wounded, First Lieutenant Anderson, by his dauntless courage, inspiring leadership and aggressive fighting spirit had rendered valiant service in the seizure of a vital objective and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Brule, Nebraska.
E--Furnas County, Nebraska.

SSw/pers.clt.ltr. fr. CMC pres. Mrs. Charles R. Anderson, Jr., widow of the late 1stLt. Anderson at an informal ceremony at her home on 7Mar47 by the CO, HAD, Hastings, Neb.

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5 December 1943.

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Awards of the Silver Star 111.

111. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces, in the South Pacific Area, to the following-named officers and enlisted men:

*** *** ***
FRANK R. ANDERWALD, First Lieutenant, United States Marine Corps Reserve, for gallantry in action at New Georgia, Solomon Islands, on 20 July 1943. During the entire course of an attack covering a period in excess of five hours he constantly remained in the front lines, directed the fire of his platoon, reorganized its lines, and was personally responsible for the location and destruction of two enemy machine-gun positions. Home address: Bandera, Texas.

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By Command of Lieutenant General HARMON:

A. J. BARNETT,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

R- Bandera, Texas

OFFICIAL:

B- Banders, Texas.

M. B. KENDRICK,
Major A. G. D.,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROBERT W. ANDRE,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company C, First Battalion, Sixth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 8 July 1944. When his platoon was momentarily held up during a fire fight, Private First Class Andre observed a wounded man in front of the lines. Despite accurate enemy fire, he went to the aid of his comrade and, although wounded himself, succeeded in returning the wounded man to our lines. His courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

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For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

R- Richmond, Calif.
B- Richmond, Calif.

Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 90496
Signed OCT 23 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS GEORGE A. ANDREWS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Squad Leader in a Marine Rifle Platoon of Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, Fourth Marines, Sixth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, on 20 May 1945. Instructing his squad to remain at its present position while he crossed a draw covered by heavy hostile machine-gun fire, Private First Class Andrews brought effective fire from an exposed position on the next ridge to bear on the Japanese, thereby neutralizing their fire and permitting his squad to cross the draw without casualties. Although wounded seriously in both legs, he continued to fire at the Japanese until his whole squad was well established on the ridge. His courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Richland Center, Wisconsin.,
B--Rice Lake, Wisconsin.

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Serial 6112

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LEO S. ANDREWS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Headquarters and Service Company, Second Battalion, Tenth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, on 20 June 1944. Voluntarily entering a blazing dump containing large quantities of explosives, artillery and mortar ammunition, Private First Class Andrews courageously attempted to isolate and extinguish the blaze until serious injuries necessitated his evacuation. His courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R---Los Angeles, California

B---Kansas City, Missouri

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Serial 7630
Signed-----

DEC 9 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL LEON B. ANDREWS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company C, First Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, 17 September 1944. Assuming command after his platoon leader, platoon sergeant and all but three of his squad became casualties, Corporal Andrews kept the remnant of his own and the adjoining squad on the line. While attempting to knock out a Japanese pillbox, he led in the assault, giving encouragement to his men and, although his helmet was pierced by an enemy bullet during the fire fight, continued to advance and contributed to the success of his squad in neutralizing the hostile strong point. His courage, leadership and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

R-Muldrow, Okla.
B-Jenny Lind, Arkansas

JOHN J. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 12047
Signed MAY 10 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS PETER N. ANDREWS, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the First Battalion, Sixth Marines, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 28 June 1944. Although wounded while moving his machine-gun squad into position, Private First Class Andrews steadfastly remained with his men and delivered an intense stream of fire against hostile gun emplacements then, skillfully covering his company's movements, assisted materially in preventing further casualties. Courageously exposing himself to withering enemy fire in order to direct his squad more effectively throughout the violent action, he fought his weapon with determined aggressiveness until he was mortally wounded. Private First Class Andrew's daring initiative and great personal valor in the face of grave peril were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL
Secretary of the Navy.

R--Aurora, Illinois
B--Liquidista, Greece

SSM, perm dt, ltr fr CMC pres by Comdt, on 11-25-45 (Comdt of St. Lakes, Ill.), to the father of the late PFC Andrews, Mr Nicholas Andrews. Pres was held at the Liland Hotel, Aurora, Ill. ass'td by off of the American Legion. Present were about fifteen friends of the family. Pres was announced in Aurora News-Bulletin of 11-25-45 along with pictur of deceased.

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Serial 2882

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SECOND LIEUTENANT STUART E. ANDREWS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Platoon Leader of Company B, First Battalion, Twenty-second Marines (Reinforced), Fifth Amphibious Corps, during operations against enemy Japanese forces on Parry Island, Eniwetok Atoll, Marshall Islands, 22 February 1944. When his platoon suffered heavy casualties under the enemy's terrific machine-gun and mortar fire during the initial landing, Second Lieutenant Andrews, although operating within hand grenade range of a large concentration of Japanese troops, immediately reorganized and led the remnants of his platoon in a sustained assault to destroy beach defenses, penetrating inland and protecting the flank of the Landing Team. With his group in serious difficulty in a later action, he made his way through raking machine-gun and mortar fire to the Landing Team Command Post to report the situation and obtain reinforcements with which to continue the attack and, by his own personal courage and skillful employment of troops, broke up an enemy counterattack, thereby contributing to the sustained advance of our forces and to the complete annihilation of Japanese forces on the Island. His professional skill, inspiring leadership and unwavering devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

R--Ogden, Utah.
B--Trenton, Utah.

For the President,
JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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Serial 00761
Signed OCT 6 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL GEORGE V. ANNESE,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Member of an Ammunition Loading Detail of Company C, Third Motor Transport Battalion, Service Troops, Third Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces in the Empress Augusta Bay Area, Bougainville, Solomon Islands, on 7 and 8 November 1943. Forced by Japanese machine-gun fire to take cover in an enemy slit trench after landing on the beach, Corporal Annese left the comparative safety of his position to reconnoiter in the direction of the enemy barrage. Locating a hostile pillbox which was delivering enfilade fire on the beach, he worked his way to the rear and, with the aid of another Marine, rushed the Japanese emplacement and killed its occupants. Corporal Annese's initiative, devotion to duty and perseverance were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Bayonne, N. J.
B--Jersey City, N. J.



THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY
WASHINGTON

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS
NORMAN J. H. ANTHONOPOULAS
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company F, 2d Battalion, 2d Marines, 2d Marine Division in action against Japanese Forces on Tarawa Atoll, Gilbert Islands on 20 November 1943. Assigned as a runner for the Regimental Commander, Private First Class Anthonopoulos braved withering enemy fire by racing across an open space to silence two machine gun positions. Steadfastly remaining exposed to intense enemy fire, he continued to press the attack and destroyed an enemy bunker by dropping hand grenades into the openings. Noticing that his Commander was wounded, he again risked his life in assisting in the rescue. Private First Class Anthonopoulos' extreme bravery, indomitable fighting spirit, and complete devotion to duty reflected great credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.

For the President,


Secretary of the Navy

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL CLYDE R. ANTHONY,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Leader of an Assault Group of Company H, Third Battalion, Twenty-sixth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 6 and 7 March 1945. When his platoon was held up on flat ground by rifle and automatic weapons fire from strongly defended positions to the front, Corporal Anthony constantly exposed himself to the hostile fire to locate enemy Japanese positions and, moving forward of his lines under the fierce barrage, directed the fire of tanks on the enemy targets. With some of the enemy positions still in action after the day's fighting, Corporal Anthony conferred that night with the Tank Commander and, returning with the tanks on the next day, again proceeded to expose himself to hostile fire to point out targets until the area was sufficiently cleared of the Japanese to allow his platoon to advance. His resolute courage and unselfish devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Thane, Nebr.,
B--Kearney, Nebr.

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Spot Award
Serial 00817
Signed OCT 26 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE HENRY G. ANTHONY, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the First Battalion, Third Marines, Third Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Empress Augusta Bay, Bougainville, Solomon Islands, on November 1, 1943. When an infantry battalion was subjected to intense hostile fire during unloading operations, Private Anthony unhesitatingly volunteered to advance beyond the beachhead and attempt to silence the enemy gun emplacements. Despite a withering hail of hostile machine-gun and rifle fire, he courageously proceeded beyond the foremost elements of combat troops and, with several comrades, attacked and destroyed seven vital enemy positions, killing fourteen Japanese and driving out numerous others. By his daring initiative, he and his companions were able to capture hostile documents containing valuable military information for our forces. Private Anthony's aggressive fighting spirit and valiant conduct in the face of grave peril were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Anderson, South Carolina
E--Lavonia, Georgia

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Spot Award
Signed OCT 26 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WILLIAM J. ANTHONY, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Tank Driver serving with the Third Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Cape Gloucester, New Britain, December 29, 1943. Forced to relinquish his post when seriously wounded in the hand by hostile mortar fire, Private First Class Anthony steadfastly refused to be evacuated and, skillfully manning the bow machine gun, enabled his tank to operate effectively during the ensuing action. Private First Class Anthony's great personal bravery, indomitable fighting spirit and unrelenting devotion to duty in the face of grave peril were an inspiration to his comrades and in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Stockbridge, Mass.
B - Springfield, Mass.

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Serial 00317
Signed AUG 10 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

MAJOR HENRY APLINGTON, 11, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action as a Regimental Liaison Officer and as Shore Party Commander attached to the Third Marines, Third Marine Division, in the landing at Cape Torokina, Bougainville Island, on November 1, 1943. Arriving at the assigned point adjacent to the beach occupied by the First Battalion, Third Marines, Major Aplington observed that his beach was under intense fire from two Japanese bunkers on the right flank and that the enemy was gravely endangering the left flank of the First Battalion by operating in a strategic avenue approach from the interior which led to a wide gap between his position and that of the battalion. Realizing the seriousness of this threat to the campaign, he unhesitatingly organized a combat patrol and, exposing himself continually to enemy fire, fought his way across the hazardous gap until he had contacted and warned the battalion. He then escorted a wire party from one beach to the other and, having secured the dangerous area between the two vital positions, returned to his post and continued his shore party duties in the face of persistent, severe hostile opposition. Major Aplington's splendid initiative and inspiring leadership throughout this extremely difficult period were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

RALPH A. BARD

Secretary of the Navy.
Acting

R..Derby Line, Vermont.
B..Manila, P.I.

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL NAZARINO J. AQUILANO,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the First Amphibian Tractor Battalion, Fleet Marine Force, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu, Palau Islands, on 15 September 1944. During an amphibious landing, Corporal Aquilano observed two men pinned down by the wreckage of a burning amphibian truck with other wounded personnel lying nearby and, undeterred by intense hostile mortar and small-arms fire, unhesitatingly went to their aid. After assisting in extricating the two men and getting them to the beach, he made repeated trips back to the truck to help the other wounded to the shore. His coolness under fire and his prompt and courageous actions were contributing factors in saving the lives of several of the personnel and reflect great credit on Corporal Aquilano and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANCIS P. MATTHEWS
Secretary of the Navy.

R - Cleveland, Ohio
B - Cleveland, Ohio

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Serial 5456
Signed JUN 20 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS RAYMOND AQUILLIA,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Bazooka Operator, serving with Company C, First Battalion, Second Marines, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 24 June 1944. During an advance to a high ridge, Private First Class Aquillia disregarded heavy enemy fire to evacuate the seriously wounded members of a machine-gun crew and to secure the machine gun and ammunition, completing three trips in the accomplishment of this mission despite serious wounds received in the course of the action. His bravery, perseverance and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Aquillia and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Paterson, New Jersey

B..Paterson, New Jersey

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Serial 98714
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE STANLEY A. ARAUJO,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Runner of Company K, Third Battalion, Ninth Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 25 February 1945. During a frontal assault on heavily defended enemy positions across Motoyama Airfield Number Two, Private Araujo's company received heavy casualties from intense enemy small-arms and mortar fire which disrupted communications with other assault units. Traversing the area between the two companies several times, he succeeded in establishing contact although he was severely wounded by mortar fragments. When the companies were ordered to withdraw to stronger positions and were forced to leave many of the seriously wounded in front of the lines, Private Araujo voluntarily stayed behind to aid the wounded and, after organizing stretcher teams, made two trips to the rear with seriously wounded men before he was ordered to remain and get medical attention for his own wounds. His initiative, courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Paso Robles, Calif.,
B--Paso Robles, Calif.

019947
DGP-298-bz

Spot Award
Serial 0556
Signed SEP 14 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SECOND LIEUTENANT RAOUL J. ARCHAMBAULT, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as an assault platoon leader attached to the Third Marine Division during action against enemy Japanese forces in the Cape Torokina Area, Bougainville, Solomon Islands, on December 12 and 15, 1943. Fearlessly leading his platoon through dense jungle terrain and continuous enemy fire in an effort to gain a strongly fortified hostile position on December 12, Second Lieutenant Archambault courageously directed the activities of his men as they pressed forward and, when forced to withdraw in the face of enfilade and frontal fire, personally crawled to within a few feet of enemy lines, firing rifle grenades in an effort to attract the fire from the wounded to himself and making it possible for a rescue party to reach and evacuate casualties. Leading his men in a flanking movement against his objective on December 15, he again exposed himself to a constant hail of enemy machine-gun fire, covering the organized withdrawal of his platoon, and remained in the area until all the injured had been removed to a place of safety. Second Lieutenant Archambault's courageous initiative, daring aggressiveness and great personal valor in voluntarily risking his life for others throughout these perilous engagements contributed to the saving of many men who otherwise might have perished. His extremely heroic conduct was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - West Warwick, Rhode Island.
B - West Warwick, Rhode Island.

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DGP-298-lfg

CincPac
AppdSofN 1-18-45
Serial 11085
Signed AUG 3 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

SERGEANT EDWARD B. ARMSON, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Wire Sergeant of a 105-mm. Howitzer Battery serving with the Third Battalion, Fourteenth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on the Island of Saipan in the Marianas, from 15 June to 10 July 1944. Voluntarily taking charge of heavy beach traffic on D-Day, Sergeant Armson skillfully directed the stream of men and vehicles, clearing the beach in a minimum of time and averting any interference with the firing of his battery, which was supporting the infantry. Upon learning that assault troops were urgently in need of water, ammunition and transportation for the wounded on 16 June, he immediately commandeered a truck, fearlessly hauling necessary supplies to the front lines and evacuating casualties on the return trip, continuing his efforts for four days despite the enemy's powerful, merciless barrage. Vigilant and tireless throughout, he checked communications within his battery while his truck was being loaded on the beach and issued comprehensive orders to his section which insured uninterrupted communications within his unit. Instantly killed on 10 July while charging a fiercely-defended enemy-occupied cave, Sergeant Armson, by his determined initiative, decisive conduct and great personal valor, contributed essentially to the conquest of this vital Japanese stronghold, and his unwavering devotion to duty throughout upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

/s/ Artemus L. Gates

R..Milwaukee, Wisconsin
B..Portage, Wisconsin

Secretary of the Navy.
Acting

SSM, perm cit, ltr fr CMC pres by OinC, Mil., Wisc., 11-18-45 at 9:30 AM., to the parents of the late Sgt Armson, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Armson at the Methodist Church in Briggsville, Wisc.

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SPOT
Serial 20581
Signed JUL 21 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL CONNIE C. ARMSTRONG,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Vehicle Operator, serving with the First Joint Assault Signal Company, Fifth Amphibious Corps, and attached to the First Battalion, Twenty-fifth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 15 June 1944. Daringly making repeated trips at night, Corporal Armstrong braved intense hostile fire to bring forward supporting weapons for the landing team to which he was attached. Although an enemy shell burst in the rear of his vehicle, taking off a portion and blowing out a tire, he made several trips thereafter and evacuated thirty-two wounded comrades to the beach, during which time his vehicle was hit three more times by Japanese shell fragments. His perseverance, self-sacrificing efforts and unwavering devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Corporal Armstrong and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Longview, Texas
B - Longview, Texas

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DGP-298-Navy-RDA

CincPac
SPOT
Serial 0647
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

SERGEANT JACK S. ARMSTRONG,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Battery C, First Battalion, Tenth Marines, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, on 21 November 1943. Courageous and determined, Sergeant Armstrong boldly led his artillery section forward to the limit of the heavily fortified beachhead and skillfully directed the assembly of his pack howitzer despite the enemy's incessant barrages. When a hostile pillbox sheltering an antiboat gun inflicted heavy casualties on our reinforcements as they landed on the beach, he immediately launched an aggressive attack and succeeded in destroying the Japanese emplacement with well-placed shellfire. Although wounded by a hostile bullet which penetrated his helmet, he dauntlessly remained in his exposed position, continuing to direct the activities of his unit until the perilous mission had been completed. By his forceful and inspiring leadership, his valiant fighting spirit and unwavering courage in the face of grave peril, Sergeant Armstrong contributed materially to the eventual capture of this heavily fortified stronghold by our forces and his zealous devotion to duty throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Minneapolis, Minn.,
B--Minneapolis, Minn.

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Spot Award
Serial 00314
Signed

NOV 7 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

MAJOR ROBERT H. ARMSTRONG, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as an Artillery Liaison Officer attached to the Third Marine Division during the Battle of Piva Forks, Bougainville, Solomon Islands, on November 24, 1943. Although continually subjected to fire from enemy outposts, Major Armstrong made a thorough reconnaissance of a strongly fortified hostile position, determining troop dispositions and the location of emplacements. Forced by the surrounding jungle growth to establish an artillery forward observation post in an unsheltered area, he gallantly held his position under violent enemy opposition, registering the fire of seven batteries and directing an intense barrage which destroyed the Japanese installations. Major Armstrong's daring courage and heroic devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Birmingham, Alabama
B--

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Spot Award 1942.
Serial 18
Signed MAR 18

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT CHARLES C. ARNDT, U.S.M.C.,

For service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action while serving as a Regimental Intelligence Observer of the Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, during attacks against enemy Japanese forces in Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on the nights of August 12 and 18, 1942. When his patrol was ambushed by greatly superior forces, Sergeant Arndt courageously and fearlessly broke through the enemy lines, plunged into the sea, swam nearly 600 yards and then proceeded barefoot over coral reefs for two miles in an attempt to bring aid to his beleaguered comrades. Throughout this action he was continuously hunted and fired upon by enemy patrols. On the second occasion when his men were again surrounded by Japanese during the fight in the village of Matanikao, Sergeant Arndt, with utter disregard for his personal safety, swam out to sea to contact the artillery fire control boat for assistance. His great personal valor and courageous initiative were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Ololona, Mississippi
B..Van Vleet, Mississippi

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The President of the United States takes pride
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CORPORAL LEE W. ARNDT,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with a Demolition Squad in Company H, Third Battalion, Twenty-ninth Marines, Sixth Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa Shima in the Ryukyu Chain, 16 April 1945. When a number of Japanese took refuge in four caves on the forward slope following the attack and seizure by his company of a heavily fortified enemy-held ridge, Corporal Arndt voluntarily risked his life in a valiant attempt to wipe out the remaining defenders. With each emplacement covered by enemy fire from the surrounding area, he fearlessly led his demolition team down the steep incline under a shattering barrage of hostile fire and, placing his men in position to cover his advance, proceeded alone from one opening to the other, placing his demolition charges and sealing the mouth of each cave to render the Japanese ineffective and increase the strength of his company's hard-won position. By his daring initiative, inspiring leadership and dauntless perseverance in the face of tremendous odds, Corporal Arndt contributed materially to the success of the bitterly fought Okinawa Campaign and his heroic conduct and courageous devotion to duty throughout reflect the highest credit upon himself and the United States Naval Service."

For the President

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R-- Cincinnati, Ohio.
E-- Cincinnati, Ohio.

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Spot Award, 1942
Serial 00193
Signed APR 2 1943

The President of the United States takes pleasure
in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

CORPORAL JAMES W. ARNOLD, U. S. MARINE CORPS,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity during
action against enemy Japanese forces on Guadalcanal,
Solomon Islands, on October 13, 1942. As a member of
a wire crew of the Headquarters and Service Company,
Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, Corporal Arnold
assisted in laying a telephone trunk line to Headquart-
ers after all others had been destroyed during heavy
Japanese naval bombardment. During construction of the
circuit, he and the other members of the crew were caught
in the open and exposed to hostile bombing on five sepa-
rate occasions. However, despite this hazardous distrac-
tion, at no time did the personnel scatter or suspend
their activities. They were able to complete their mission
before daylight and thus establish the only means of wire
communication from Headquarters to the Base Radio and
other important units. The heroic conduct displayed by
Corporal Arnold on this occasion reflects great credit
upon the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

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officer in charge of
the Decorations and
Medals Division.~~

R...Palmyra, Indiana

B...Palmyra, Indiana

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Serial 58483
Signed-----

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOHN T. ARNOLD,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Headquarters Battery, Third Corps Artillery, Third Amphibious Corps, Fleet Marine Force, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 5 May 1945. As a member of an early morning patrol searching for an enemy raiding party, Private First Class Arnold accompanied a Marine officer and a corpsman in the investigation of a small cove. When the officer peered into the cave and was mortally wounded by point-blank fire from within, Private First Class Arnold immediately fell to the ground in front of the entrance and began firing into the cave in order to cover the evacuation of the wounded officer by the corpsman, thereby killing two of the enemy. Observing a wounded officer, he discarded his own useless weapon and, retrieving the officer's carbine, advanced up a steep slope toward a third enemy soldier, coolly firing upon him at point-blank range and killing him. His resolute courage and steadfast devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

R--Pontatoc, Miss.
B--Dundee, Miss.

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

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SPECIAL
Appd SofN 4-16-47
Signed SEP 9 1947

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting
the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

FIRST LIEUTENANT KENT ARNOLD,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as a Rifle Platoon Leader, attached to Company G, Third Battalion, Twenty-sixth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 1 - 2 March 1945. Recommitted to the attack, following the reorganization of his platoon which had been reduced by heavy enemy gunfire, First Lieutenant Arnold personally led his men forward, one and two at a time, to covered positions to his front, thereby advancing his platoon and contributing to the advance of adjacent units. Undaunted by a series of counterattacks launched against his position during the night, he unhesitatingly left his command post to proceed under fire to the aid of three of his men in an isolated position. Although struck down and instantly killed as he gained the besieged position, First Lieutenant Arnold had rendered valiant service during this critical period of operations. His courage, leadership and unwavering devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

2 - Kentfield, Calif.

3 - San Francisco, Calif.

SSM w/perm. cit. & CMC ltr. was pres'd to Mrs. Elizabeth K. Arnold, mother of the late 1st Lt. Arnold, at her home at Kentfield, on 22 1947 by CO MBNS., San Francisco, Calif.

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The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS URBANO ARREY,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as an Automatic Rifleman of Company A, First Battalion, Twenty-second Marines, Sixth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Okinawa Shima, Ryukyu Islands, on 29 May 1945. Severely wounded when hostile machine-gun fire pinned down his platoon, Private First Class Arrey immediately directed effective fire which caused the enemy to seek cover temporarily and permitted the rest of the platoon to find positions of comparative safety. Unable to move due to his serious wounds, he bravely continued to fire until one magazine had been used and, when the Japanese sniper resumed fire, was fatally wounded before he could reload his weapon. His courageous initiative and indomitable fighting spirit were contributing factors in the success of his company in subsequently capturing its objective, and his exemplary devotion to duty reflects great credit on Private First Class Arrey and the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

/s/ Francis P. Matthews

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Sante Fe, N.M.
B - Central, N. M.

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DGP-298-bz

Spot Award
Serial 0746
Signed

Comd. Sec. Flt
OCT 9 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS GEORGE ARRUDA, USMCR.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the First Marine Division during action against enemy Japanese forces on Cape Gloucester, New Britain, December 28, 1943. Sent by the battalion intelligence officer as a scout to locate the left assault company which was out of contact with the unit on its right, Private First Class Arruda was pinned down by the enemy but crawled out of the line of fire and successfully completed his mission, enabling the entrapped company to join the other forces. Then, despite opposition from Japanese snipers, he made his way to an abandoned enemy bivouac area, obtained maps and valuable documents, and returned to his base. Acting as runner, he delivered messages from the rear command post to the front lines under intense hostile fire, carrying out his extremely hazardous duties with efficiency and daring. Private First Class Arruda's brave initiative and fearless devotion to duty were an inspiration to his comrades and in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

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For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - New Bedford, Massachusetts.

B - South Dartmouth, Massachusetts.

Released May 11, 1944

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AppdSofN 5-15-46
Serial 00773
Signed MAY 26 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FRANCIS D. ARTERBERY,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company B, First Battalion, Twenty-first Marines, Third Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces in the Japanese infested Cape Torokina Area, Bougainville, Solomon Islands, on 25 December 1943. While proceeding through ~~out~~ lines with a message to the Command Post of his battalion, Private Arterbery encountered a Japanese soldier dressed in a Marine Corps uniform and armed with a rifle. Being unarmed, he feigned ignorance of the enemy imposter's identity until they were abreast and, in a quick surprise attack, overpowered the Japanese in hand-to-hand combat and took him as a prisoner to his Battalion Command Post. Private Arterbery's daring initiative and courageous conduct at the risk of his own life were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Chandler, Oklahoma.
B--Slick, Oklahoma.

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SPOT
Serial 0371
Signed SEP 17 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PLATOON SERGEANT KENNETH E. ARZT,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving in a Patrol of Amphibian Reconnaissance Battalion, Fifth Amphibious Corps, Fleet Marine Force, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan and Tinian, Marianas Islands, on 10 and 11 July 1944. Assigned the perilous mission of personally conducting a reconnaissance of the beaches and reefs on enemy-held Tinian Island, Platoon Sergeant Arzt swam ashore with other members of the patrol and, adroitly evading patrolling Japanese troops, succeeded in obtaining valuable information concerning the location and characteristics of beach obstacles, depth of water on reefs before the beaches, height of the cliffs and physical aspects of the terrain inland, and the suitability of areas for invasion by our troops and landing craft. By his skill, daring aggressiveness and intrepid spirit, maintained despite the vigilance of the enemy and the strength of his fortifications, Platoon Sergeant Arzt aided materially in carrying out this hazardous mission without loss of life or injury to the patrol. His gallant devotion to duty was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Yakima, Washington.,
B--Boys, Washington.

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Serial 065
Signed-----

DEC 9 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

MASTER TECHNICAL SERGEANT GEORGE ASCUENA,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Forward Observer for the Support Air Party, Marine Service Squadron TWENTY-FOUR, Marine Aircraft Group TWENTY-FOUR, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 22 February to 6 April 1945. Demonstrating outstanding skill, Master Technical Sergeant Ascuena maintained all radio equipment in operating order despite the lack of adequate supplies and facilities and, in the face of hostile fire on 1 March, set up the radio equipment in a front line foxhole. When the Officer in Charge of the Support Air Party was wounded, he returned to the foxhole under intense enemy rifle and machine-gun fire, carried the officer to a place of safety for medical treatment and, subsequently returning to the radio equipment, personally directed close air support missions. His initiative, courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

R-Ely, Nevada
B-Gooding, Idaho

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

HEADQUARTERS USAFISPA
APO #502

22 February 1943.

GENERAL ORDERS)
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II. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, August 8, 1932, a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to each of the following named officers and enlisted men:

CLIFTON R. ASHLEY, (335117), Private, United States Marine Corps, for gallantry in action on January 13, 1943, at Guadalcanal. Private Ashley was one of two volunteers who pushed forward of the front lines to engage enemy attempting to place knee mortars in action. He was instrumental in disposing initially of two enemy mortar-men and one sniper and eventually of a total of twelve, besides others wounded. He returned five times to his own lines to obtain additional hand grenades and ammunition, and continued at his task until severely wounded.

By Command of Lieutenant General HARMON:

A.J. BARNETT,
Brig. General, G.S.C.,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

s/ William A. Lord, Jr.

t/ WILLIAM A. LORD, JR.,
Lt. Col., Inf.,
Actg. Asst. Adj. Gen.

Distribution "A" 3 Com So Pac, 3 Com. Gen Fst Mrne. Amphs Cor

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R- Claremore, Oklahoma

B- Forest, Louisiana

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HOMER B. ASHLEY, (298738), Private First Class, United States Marine Corps, for gallantry in action on January 13, 1943, at Guadalcanal. Private First Class Ashley, calling for two volunteers, pushed forward of the front lines to engage enemy attempting to place knee mortars in action. With two companions, he disposed of two mortar-enemy and one sniper. He returned five different times to his own lines to obtain additional ammunition. Eventually twelve enemy were killed and several others wounded, and a rifle and sub-machine gun recaptured. During the action Private First Class Ashley sustained a wound in his left hand.

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By Command of Lieutenant General HARMON:

A. J. BARNETT,
Brig. General, G.S.C.
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

s/ William A. Lord, Jr.,

t/ WILLIAM A. LORD, Jr.,
Lt. Col., Inf.,
Actg. Asst. Adj. Gen.

Distribution "A" 3 Com So Pac, 3 Com. Gen Fst Mrne. Ampbs Cor 3 ea O. & EM

R- Lake Providence, Louisiana

B- Forest, Louisiana

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Serial 0647
Signed FEB 17 1948

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE JACK G. ASHWORTH, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company A, First Battalion, Eighteenth Marines, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces at Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, 20 November 1943. Fighting furiously during bitter hostilities on D-Day, Private Ashworth fearlessly risked his life in an effort to wipe out a heavily fortified Japanese strong point retarding the advance of our forces and, boldly proceeding through the enemy's shattering machine-gun and rifle fire, pressed home a lone, determined attack, silencing the emplacement with well-placed demolition charges and contributing to the success of the engagement. By his daring aggressiveness, indomitable fighting spirit and cool courage in the face of grave peril, Private Ashworth served as an inspiration to others in the area and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

R--Los Angeles, Calif.,
B--Perry, Ohio.

Secretary of the Navy.

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Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

LIEUTENANT COLONEL WALTER ASMUTH, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of the Third Battalion, Ninth Marines, Third Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Guam, Marianas Islands, on 21 July 1944. Landing under heavy mortar, machine-gun and small-arms fire, Lieutenant Colonel Asmuth personally directed the operations of his assault groups in forcing a landing and advance inland to the Battalion objective. Moving among his units while fully exposed to hostile fire immediately after the landing, he quickly organized them for further advance. When his Battalion was delayed by enemy fire after reaching a slope of the high ground to the front, he went forward to his front lines to encourage and hasten the advance of his troops in order to secure the objective quickly and cover the landing of the remainder of the Regiment. Although seriously wounded, he refused to be evacuated and continued to lead his Battalion until the objective was secured. By his courageous leadership and sound tactical employment of troops, Lieutenant Colonel Asmuth contributed materially to the successful completion of a vital mission, and at all times upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

R- Washington, D. C.
B- " " "

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS MARVIN E. ATCHISON,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company A, First Battalion, Second Marines, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, on 8 and 9 July 1944. When the enemy tried to break through the center of our line during a counter-attack on the beach west of Kaberra Pass, Private First Class Atchison took his position at an important machine gun emplacement while two comrades furnished him with protective fire. After the other two men were wounded by the on-rushing enemy, he kept his gun in action and succeeded in maintaining our line intact by delivering sufficient fire to confuse the enemy until a medium tank came forward to give aid, thereby contributing materially to the repulse of the counterattack. His initiative and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class Atchison and the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Abilene, Kansas.
B--Richmond, Kansas.

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Serial 1113
Signed DEC 22 1943

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE ORLANDO E. ATENCIO, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the Third Battalion, Second Marines, Reinforced, during action against enemy Japanese forces in the Solomon Islands Area on August 7, 1942. Undeterred by the knowledge that he would be within close range of snipers located on a cliff overlooking the sea, Private Atencio seized a stretcher and rushed into the water to assist a corpsman who was attempting the rescue of an injured marine. When the corpsman sustained a serious wound, Private Atencio held both men above the surface and struggled determinedly to carry them ashore until they were killed by snipers. Refusing to seek safety despite repeated warnings, he undoubtedly saved the lives of several marines by remaining crouched in the water for two hours, directing others away from this perilous area. His daring and valiant conduct was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Albuquerque, New Mexico.

B - San Marcial, New Mexico.

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App. SofN 2-1-45
Serial 0401
Signed JUL 5 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS EDWARD ATHAIDE, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the Second Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu Island, Palau Group, on 18 September 1944. When terrific enemy fire rendered his position untenable and his squad was forced to withdraw, Private First Class Athaide, in company with another Marine, crawled further forward to the crest of the exposed position and heroically directed accurate automatic rifle fire against the enemy to cover the withdrawal of the remainder of his group and, although discovered by the enemy, nevertheless maintained a steady stream of fire against the Japanese emplacements, insuring the safe evacuation of his squad before he was mortally wounded. Private First Class Athaide's exceptional fighting spirit and valiant, selfless conduct were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--New Bedford, Mass.
B--New Bedford, Mass.

SSM, perm cit, ltr fr CMC pres by CO, Boston, Mass., 10-19-45, to the parents of the late PFC Athaide, Mr. and Mrs. Athaide. Form pres at MBks, Navy Yard, Boston, Mass.

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SPOT
Serial 54754
Signed _____

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

MAJOR ERNEST G. ATKIN, JR.,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Commanding Officer of Company G, Second Battalion, Twenty-fourth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, from 5 to 16 March 1945. Assuming command of a rifle company which had suffered several casualties among its company commanders and its key personnel, Major Atkin reorganized the unit and led the assault against one of the strongest hostile positions in the division zone of action. Personally directing the fire of two tanks by telephone in the face of accurate enemy fire, he was directly responsible for the two hundred yard advance of his company. When his unit depleted by casualties had to be dissolved and combined with another rifle company on 8 March, he assumed command of the remaining rifle company in the battalion. Skillfully reorganizing this company which had suffered severe personnel casualties with the result that only one original officer and one key non-commissioned officer remained, Major Atkin led an assault against the last enemy pocket of resistance in the division zone of action and seized it although it had repelled many previous attacks. His tactical skill, exemplary leadership and courageous devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Gainsville, Fla.,
B--Iowa City, Iowa.

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Approved SoFN 3-~~14~~-44
Serial 917
Signed JUN 23 1944

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

SERGEANT JAMES R. ATKINS, USMC.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as member of the Second Tank Battalion Reconnaissance Party attached to the Second Tank Battalion, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, November 20, 1943. Defying constant danger from enemy machine-gun and mortar fire while assisting his unit in laying a 1200-yard lane of channel markers over a shell and bomb-pocked coral reef, Sergeant Atkins valiantly made of himself a human marker in order to signal assault tanks to a successful landing on the beachhead when the floats were carried away by the heavy surf. Then, in the face of almost certain death, he voluntarily pressed forward and conducted a reconnaissance within enemy lines, pointing out targets which could not have been detected from within the tanks and continuing his courageous efforts until he was killed by hostile fire. His relentless fighting spirit, daring aggressiveness and heroic self-sacrifice directly contributed to the success of our forces in that area and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R...Lonepine, Montana

B...Kalispell, Montana.

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Appd SofN 2-21-46
Serial 52181
Signed DEC 23 1946

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

PRIVATE WILLIAM A. ATKINS,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as a Forward Observer for the 81-mm. Mortar Platoon of Headquarters Company, First Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Marine Division, in action against Japanese forces on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 13 May 1945. Undeterred by intense enemy small-arms and mortar fire which had held up the advance of his company, Private Atkins boldly made his way through the concentration to an extremely exposed position atop a ridge, carrying a reel of wire and a telephone and, spotting an enemy field gun, clamly and effectively directed mortar fire upon the hostile fieldpiece, silencing the weapon. By his undaunted courage in the face of grave peril, Private Atkins aided materially in the successful completion of his company's mission and his resolute conduct throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Kalamazoo, Michigan
B..Kalamazoo, Michigan.

SSM was presented to the widow by OinC, USMCDHRS, New Federal Bldg., 213 W. Lafayette Ave., Detroit, Michigan on 28 Feb., 1947.

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Spot Award
Serial 00452
Signed NOV 15 1944

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

FIRST LIEUTENANT ROBERT W. ATTRIDGE, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Member of a Reconnaissance Patrol transported by submarine and subsequently by boat to a Japanese-held island in the Pacific Area during the latter part of December, 1943. With no previous knowledge of enemy strength or the attitude of natives to the Allied Nations, and with limited means of escape, First Lieutenant Attridge unhesitatingly went ashore in the face of certain danger and, within an exceedingly brief space of time, had secured information concerning the strength of Japanese forces and their equipment and had determined the most suitable beach for future landing as well as favorable sites for bomber and fighter strips. Discovered by the enemy and in danger of being captured by a hostile party possessing superior arms, First Lieutenant Attridge fought gallantly, assisting in ambushing and killing three Japanese, wounding one and putting the remainder to flight before struggling back through heavy seas to the rendezvous with the submarine. His outstanding skill, heroism and resourcefulness in the successful execution of a vital mission were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

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For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R - Salem, Mass.
BE Salem, Mass.

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Serial 11060
Signed MAR 20 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

FIRST LIEUTENANT DEAN W. ATWOOD, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as Battalion Survey Officer attached to the First Battalion, Fourteenth Marines, Fourth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces at Saipan, Marianas Islands, on 16 June 1944. With almost every member of his section a casualty when his survey party was viciously attacked by the enemy while attempting to establish a battalion forward observation post on an exposed ridge, First Lieutenant Atwood voluntarily braved heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire to minister first aid to the wounded and, working tirelessly and with calm courage, gallantly remained in the area and assisted in the evacuation of his men. An inspiring and valiant leader, First Lieutenant Atwood saved the lives of many men who otherwise might have perished, and his unwavering devotion to duty maintained at great personal risk was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL
Secretary of the Navy.

R--San Francisco, California
B--Mendocino, California

SSM & Perm.Cit. delv'd to widow, Mrs. Dean
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(b) (6) informally at her request 4-7-45.

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Serial 44865
Signed APR 8 1945

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

FIRST LIEUTENANT RUTHVEN A. AUBREY,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as an 81-mm. Mortar Platoon Leader, attached to Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, Twenty-sixth Marines, Fifth Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, from 19 February to 10 March 1945. Stationing himself each day at an observation post on the front lines to observe the enemy positions and direct mortar fire, First Lieutenant Aubrey maintained support for his battalion at all times. On the night of 21 February, he set his mortars in position and, making a personal reconnaissance of an enemy avenue of approach despite the darkness, succeeded in stopping a hostile counterattack and killing twenty of the Japanese. On 10 March, he advanced beyond the front lines, detected enemy fortifications, and throughout the morning, directed his fire on one position after another, thus enabling the battalion to advance. Later, he ran forward through heavy rifle fire to observe a newly discovered enemy target area and, although pinned down by hostile fire, continued to direct effective fire against the enemy until he himself was severely wounded by a Japanese machine gunner. First Lieutenant Aubrey's tactical skill and courageous fighting spirit in the face of grave danger were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. "

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R-- Summit Hill, Pa.
B-- Summit Hill, Pa.

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Serial 1163
Appd SofN 3-1-45
Signed OCT 19 1945

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL posthumously to

CORPORAL ROY N. AUER,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the Second Battalion, Tenth Marines, Second Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, 20 June 1944. Courageously volunteering to enter a blazing dump which contained vast supplies of artillery and mortar ammunition, Corporal Auer worked desperately to extinguish the flames threatening further stores of explosives. Mortally wounded in carrying out his heroic task, Corporal Auer, by his alert initiative, superb daring and unflinching devotion to duty at the risk of his own life, upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Milford, Indiana
B..Milford, Indiana

SSM, perm cit, ltr fr CMC pres by CO, Bunker Hill, Ind.,
12-11-45 to the parents of the late Corp Auer, Mr. and Mrs.
George N. Auer. App pres with due publicity given.

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Serial 829
Signed

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS PHED AUGUSTYNOWICZ, USMC.

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with B Battery, Special Weapons Battalion, attached to the First Marines, First Marine Division, in combat against enemy Japanese tank forces at the mouth of the Matanikau River, Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, on the night of October 23, 1942. With utter disregard for his own personal safety and in the face of heavy Japanese fire, Private First Class Augustynowicz steadfastly remained at his post and with the other members of his battery succeeded in keeping the anti-tank gun in action until the enemy attack was completely repulsed. His skill, tenacity, and heroic devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

FRANK KNOX

Secretary of the Navy

R - Chicopee, Massachusetts.

B - Chicopee, Massachusetts, 4-17-1921.

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Serial 5455
Signed JUL 10 1947

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SECOND LIEUTENANT VERNER E. AUSTIN,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity as the Leader of a 37-mm. Gun Platoon of Weapons Company, First Battalion, Eighth Marines, Second Marine Division, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Saipan, Marianas Islands, on 26 June 1944. Leading his platoon through heavily fortified Japanese territory, Second Lieutenant Austin succeeded in reducing an enemy position containing two strongly defended pillboxes and three ammunition dumps which were well protected by hostile fire. Although seriously wounded in the leg during this action, he continued to advance, keeping his guns in action, until ordered to be evacuated for treatment of his wounds. His leadership and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Terrell, Texas
B..Dallas, Texas

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

SERGEANT CLAUDE M. AYALA,
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving as Commander of a Medium Tank of Tank Company, Twenty-second Marines (Reinforced), First Provisional Marine Brigade, during action against enemy Japanese forces on Guam, Marianas Islands, 24 July 1944. Going to the assistance of a tank which had been disabled by eighteen direct hits from an enemy antitank gun, Sergeant Ayala maneuvered his tank to provide covering fire for the stricken vehicle. Then, dismounting from his own tank under intense hostile fire, he shackled the two vehicles together and pulled the disabled tank to safety, thereby saving the crew from certain annihilation. His courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Secretary of the Navy.

R..Los Angeles, Calif.
B..Fort Worth, Tex.

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Serial 004451
Signed 7-24-45

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL, posthumously to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CLARENCE EDWARD AYERS, JR., USMCR.,
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity while serving with the First Battalion, First Marines, First Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Peleliu Island in the Palau Group, on 16 September 1944. Volunteering to assist in removing casualties to the rear when no stretcher-bearers were available during the sustained attack on a fiercely defended coral ridge, Private First Class Ayers boldly made his way forward under a terrific concentration of rifle and machine-gun fire and, leading litter-bearers to dangerously exposed positions in front of their own lines, worked with untiring energy in directing and aiding the evacuation of wounded Marines until he himself was fatally struck down by a burst of enemy fire. Private First Class Ayers' intrepid initiative, resolute fortitude and cool courage in the face of savage, unceasing opposition contributed materially to the saving of many lives, and his valiant devotion to duty reflects the highest credit upon himself and upon the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country."

SSM, perm cit, ltr fr CMC sent out 8-14-45, but report of pres has not been rec'd as of this date 2-5-46.

For the President,
JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Plymouth, N.C.
B-- " "

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SSM/perm cit ltr fr CMC pres to Mr. & Mrs. Clarence E. Ayers, Sr., parents, on 15Sep45, by Capt. Gary I. Britt, MCR, at ~~their~~ their home, Plymouth, N.C.

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The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the SILVER STAR MEDAL to

PRIVATE KENNETH S. AYOTTE, USMCR.,

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For conspicuous gallantry and integrity while serving with the First Marine Division in action against enemy Japanese forces on Cape Gloucester, New Britain, on December 26, 1943. Voluntarily manning a machine gun on an amphibious tractor as it moved forward from the assault company's lines, Private Ayotte fought with skill and daring aggressiveness despite withering hostile machine-gun and rifle fire and, on at least two crucial occasions, courageously retrieved hand grenades which had landed in the tractor and hurled them back at the enemy. Private Ayotte's heroic initiative and fearless conduct in the face of imminent peril were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

JAMES FORRESTAL

Secretary of the Navy.

R--Grosse Ile, Michigan
B--Detroit, Michigan