



CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF
THE AIR MEDAL
TO
STAFF SERGEANT WILLIAM F. SINE

Staff Sergeant William F. Sine distinguished himself by meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight as a Pararescue Technician 66 miles northeast of Clark Air Base, Luzon Island, Republic of the Philippines, on 26 August 1985. On that date, Sergeant Sine risked his life to save the life of a Singapore A-4 pilot who was incapacitated and dangling in a tree from his parachute 100 feet above the jungle floor. Subsequent to a dangerous and extremely difficult hoist insertion to the survivor, Sergeant Sine successfully disentangled both himself and the pilot in spite of the difficulty of the operation and the mounting risk involved as the parachute began dislodging itself before he and the pilot were safely secured to the rescue hoist. The professional skill and airmanship displayed by Sergeant Sine reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

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