



CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF  
THE AIRMAN'S MEDAL  
TO  
STAFF SERGEANT STEVEN L. BILLMAN

Staff Sergeant Steven L. Billman distinguished himself by heroism involving voluntary risk of life at Interstate Highway 880, Oakland, California, from 18 to 22 October 1989. During this period, Sergeant Billman searched and recovered earthquake victims trapped between the collapsed highway system. With complete disregard for his own safety, Sergeant Billman entered the devastated highway system without hesitation, despite the hazard of being crushed by one of the estimated 2,000 aftershocks, and persevered in his humanitarian efforts until his mission was accomplished. By his courageous action and humanitarian regard for his fellowman, Sergeant Billman has reflected great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

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