



CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF

THE SILVER STAR
(FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER)

TO

AIRMAN FIRST CLASS KENNETH W. CAKEBREAD

Airman First Class Kenneth W. Cakebread distinguished himself by gallantry in connection with military operations against an opposing armed force near Tchepone, Laos on 13 April 1972. On that date, Airman Cakebread, a Pararescue Specialist, volunteered to participate in the daring rescue of a downed American Pilot. Standing in an open unprotected doorway, at the risk of his own life, Airman Cakebread skillfully and courageously defended his vulnerable helicopter. This aided immeasurably in the successful completion of this very dangerous rescue mission. By his gallantry and devotion to duty, Airman Cakebread had reflected great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

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