



CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF  
THE SILVER STAR  
TO  
SERGEANT LONNIE G. CONNER

Sergeant Lonnie G. Conner distinguished himself by gallantry in connection with military operations against an opposing armed force as a Pararescue Specialist near Vinh Thanh, Republic of Vietnam, on 11 December 1968. On that date, Sergeant Conner skillfully accomplished the combat extraction of eight critically injured survivors from a helicopter crash during a day/night operation in rugged, mountainous, jungle covered terrain in a hostile area. Sergeant Conner's calm and professional performance of his duties in the face of intense hostile fire was of primary importance in the successful accomplishment of the mission. By his gallantry and devotion to duty, Sergeant Conner has reflected great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

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