



CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF

THE SILVER STAR
(FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER)

TO

STAFF SERGEANT KENNETH J. MUSNICKI

Staff Sergeant Kenneth J. Musnicki distinguished himself by gallantry in connection with military operations against an opposing armed force in Southeast Asia on 18 November 1972. On that date, Sergeant Musnicki, a Pararescue Specialist on an HH-53C Rescue Helicopter, voluntarily penetrated deep into an extremely hostile and heavily defended area of North Vietnam to rescue two downed American airmen. At great risk to his own life, he willingly exposed himself to hostile ground forces while manning the minigun position. Sergeant Musnicki's professional skill suppressing the groundfire being directed at his vulnerable aircraft was directly responsible in the successful completion of this hazardous rescue. By his gallantry and devotion to duty, Sergeant Musnicki has reflected great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

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