



CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF  
THE SILVER STAR

TO

SERGEANT GARY T. OSBORNE

Sergeant Gary T. Osborne distinguished himself by gallantry in connection with military operations against an opposing armed force near Dak Nay Puey, Republic of Vietnam, on 15 April 1970. On that date, Sergeant Osborne was a Pararescue Specialist on an HH-3E helicopter providing cover for another helicopter attempting a rescue, when the first helicopter was shot down. With complete disregard for his personal safety, Sergeant Osborne immediately descended to the rescue of the surviving crewmembers, despite exploding ammunition on the burning helicopter, and the presence of the hostile troops in the immediate rescue of three crewmembers who were burned and wounded, saving them from death or capture. By his gallantry and devotion to duty, Sergeant Osborne has reflected great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

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