



CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF
THE SILVER STAR
(SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER)

TO

TECHNICAL SERGEANT JON H. YOUNG

Technical Sergeant Jon H. Young distinguished himself by gallantry in connection with military operations against an opposing armed force near Thanh Hoa, North Vietnam on 10 December 1972. On that date, Sergeant Young voluntarily flew into a highly hostile and heavily defended area to attempt the rescue of a downed American airman. Utilizing a handheld automatic weapon when his minigun malfunctioned, Sergeant Young deliberately stood in the open to defend his hovering helicopter against intense groundfire so that a position above the survivor could be maintained. By his gallantry and devotion to duty, Sergeant Young has reflected great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

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