

CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF

THE SILVER STAR

TO

MARSHALL G. HARRISON

Major Marshall G. Harrison distinguished himself by gallantry in connection with military operations against an opposing armed force, deep in hostile territory, on 2 April 1970. On that date, Major Harrison was flying in support of a five man Special Forces team which was surrounded and engaged by a large hostile force. During more than half of the hour that followed, the Major was alone and unaided in his support of the friendly unit. He first ordered helicopter gunships into the area, but they were forced to leave due to the heavy ground-to-air fire. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, he made repeated attacks against the hostile positions. Although his aircraft was struck by hostile fire, he continued his valiant efforts; and while still accurately delivering his ordnance, Major Harrison coordinated and directed the successful recovery of the friendlies, who had suffered 100 percent casualties. By his gallantry and devotion to duty Major Harrison has reflected great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

