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WAR DEPARTMENT

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE WASHINGTON 25, D.C.



10 August 1945

Mr. Morris Bernstein 540 Audubon Avenue New York, New York

Dear Mr. Bernstein:

I have the honor to inform you that, by direction of the President, the Silver Star has been posthumously everded to your son, Corporal Stanley Bernstein, Armored Field Artillery. The citation is as follows:

SILVER STAR

"For gallentry in action against the enemy in Germany on 20 November 1944. As a member of a tank destroyer crew, with the mission of diverting enemy tank fire from the infantry, Corporal Bernstein boldly expended many rounds fully aware that his fire would be ineffective because of the superior enemy armor. His fire was accurate, and he continued firing until he bore the brunt of the enemy shelling himself. Twice his destroyer was hit, but he completely disregarded all thoughts of his own safety and continued firing until a third hit disabled his destroyer and killed him instantly. His courage and gallant devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the service."

The decoration will be forwarded to the Commanding General, Second Service Command, Governors Island, New York, who will select an officer to make the presentation. The officer selected will communicate with you concerning your wishes in the matter.

May I again express my deepest sympathy to you in your bereavement.

Sincerely yours,

EDWARD F. WITSELL

Me.jor General

Acting The Adjutant General