

HEADQUARTERS 42" (RAINBOW) INFANTRY DIVISION

25 July 1945

CITATION

AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

RAYMOND J. ZANDER

32 760 646, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company C, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion for gallantry in action on 24 April 1945 near Cosheim, Germany.

As a Tank Destroyer cannoneer, Private Zander successfully defended a Tank Destroyer convoy from serious damage from enemy aircraft. Although wounded by the straffing fire by the enemy aircraft, Private Zander opened fire on the hostile planes with a .50 caliber machine gun and destroyed one aircraft and forced the others to abandon their attack. As a result of Private Zander's courageous action, his Tank Destroyer Platoon was enabled to continue and assist in the capture of the town of Gosheim. Entered military service from Union, New Jersey.

HARRY J. CONTINS

Commanding