



Award of the Silver Star

I TC 320. The following award is announced.

**Morgan, James S. 05326444 Second Lieutenant Infantry United States Army Co C, 1<sup>st</sup> BN, 28<sup>th</sup> Inf, 1<sup>st</sup> Inf BDE, 1<sup>st</sup> Inf Div, APO Us Forces 96345**

**Awarded:** Silver Star  
**Date Action:** 15 January 1966  
**Theater:** Republic of Vietnam

**Reason:** For gallantry in action: Second Lieutenant Morgan distinguished himself on 15 January 1966 as Platoon Leader of a unit on a battalion attack on the well-fortified village of Bon Cap, Republic of Vietnam. At approximately 1130 hours, the Reconnaissance Platoon attached to his company was suddenly attacked by a Viet Cong force deploying small arms fire and command detonated mines. Second Lieutenant Morgan volunteered to effect contact and, upon reaching the reconnaissance platoon, found the platoon leader seriously wounded and the platoon sergeant dying. He immediately reorganized the reconnaissance platoon and personally assisted in the care of six wounded personnel. When the Viet Cong force opened fire, Second Lieutenant Morgan, with complete disregard for his personal safety, charged across an open field and, although painfully wounded, successfully silenced the position. Second Lieutenant Morgan's heroic action inspired his comrades to increase their efforts which contributed significantly to the defeat of the Viet Cong force. His unimpeachable valor in close combat was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army.

**Authority:** By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918.

For the Commander:  
  
Richard J. Seitz  
Brigadier General, U.S. Army  
Chief of Staff



2LT James S. Morgan  
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