

# HEADQUARTERS 30TH INFANTRY DIVISION

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## *Award of the Bronze Star Medal*

### *Citation*

First Lieutenant Thompson L. Raney, 01030291, 823rd Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, is awarded the Bronze Star for heroic achievement and service from 12 March 1945 to 11 April 1945, in Germany. When the regular commander of the reconnaissance company was assigned command of another company, Lieutenant Raney assumed command of the reconnaissance company. His cool and daring leadership during the major operation of the Rhine River crossing and the subsequent breakthrough, his courage under heavy enemy fire, and his continuous supplying of valuable tactical information were of great assistance to the success of these operations. Lieutenant Raney's professional skill and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Florida.

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