

# HEADQUARTERS 30TH INFANTRY DIVISION

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## *Award of the Silver Star Medal*

### *Citation*

First Lieutenant Thompson L. Raney, 01030291, 823rd Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, is awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action on 24 August 1944, in France. While serving as a platoon leader in the reconnaissance section, Lieutenant Raney was assisting the establishment of a command post in a town believed to have been previously cleared of the enemy. When he entered the town, he found the enemy there in considerable strength. Although the fire power at his disposal was considerably less than that of the enemy, he attacked aggressively and maneuvered his men so skillfully that he and his comrades took the town in a short time, after killing two of the enemy and capturing sixty others. Entered military service from Florida.

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