



HEADQUARTERS 42ND (RAINBOW) INFANTRY DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

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CITATION


AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

VICTOR J. MURASKOS

32 402 250, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action, on 25 April 1945, near Kaisheim, Germany.

While the section of tank destroyers led by Sergeant Muraskos was in reserve, a battalion of friendly tanks was forced to withdraw by heavy enemy fire from dug-in emplacements. Dismounting from his vehicle, Sergeant Muraskos crawled over the crest of a hill, deliberately drawing fire upon himself in order to locate the hostile positions. After eliminating one machine gun nest with his rifle, he called up a destroyer on each flank and directed their fire as they crushed one enemy strongpoint after another. By his courage, professional ability, and aggressive action, Sergeant Muraskos enabled the friendly tanks to resume their advance. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.


HARRY J. COLLINS
Major General, USA
Commanding