

CITATION FOR AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Private Nicholas L. Patrino (Army Serial Number 39119837), United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations on 21 December 1944. Private Patrino was one of three machine gunners supporting an infantry company resisting an enemy attack. The attack became so determined that it appeared certain that the gun positions would be overrun. Private Patrino, without regard for his own personal safety and solely upon his own initiative, remained at his gun, bearing the brunt of the assault, despite the enemy threat. The fire from his gun was so accurate and intense that the enemy was forced to withdraw and abandon the attack. By his courageous action, Private Patrino set an inspiring example for his fellow men. Entered military service from California.

