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**HEADQUARTERS 36TH INFANTRY DIVISION**  
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**GENERAL ORDERS**

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**NO. 272**

**COMMENDATION FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS CONDUCT**

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, each of the following named individuals is commended for exceptionally meritorious conduct.

**JAMES P. GILES, JR., 0409657, Major (then Captain), Headquarters, 36th Division Artillery. Entered the Service from Henderson, Texas.**

**DAN CRUTCHFIELD, 20812865, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 36th Division Artillery. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.**

**THOMAS V. BRYSON, 20812843, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 36th Division Artillery. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.**

**RAYMOND K. CHRISTLE, 13080908, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 36th Division Artillery. Entered the Service from Prospect Park, Pennsylvania.**

**WILLIAM E. FENSTERMAKER, 33505355, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 36th Division Artillery. Entered the Service from Jersey Shore, Pa.**

For exceptionally meritorious conduct on 21 May 1944 in Italy. When a heavy night barrage of enemy artillery caused many casualties, the above named officer and enlisted men braved the dangers of flying shell fragments to find and tag the dead, give first aid to the wounded, and evacuate them to safety. Working tirelessly they assisted the surgeon in treating the injured and carrying them to safety, thereby alleviating much pain and saving many lives.

**JOE G. COPELAND, 20848684, Staff Sergeant, Antitank Company, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Santa Anna, Texas.**

**TRAVIS SMITH, 20848763, Sergeant, Antitank Company, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Bangs, Texas.**

**LOUIE L. GOFORTH, 20806651, Sergeant, Antitank Company, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Wichita Falls, Texas.**

**GEORGE W. JAMES, 18076601, Corporal, Antitank Company, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Big Springs, Texas.**

**LINDELL D. SCOTT, 20837722, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Delta, Colorado.**

**WANDA H. JARMAN, 18109256, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Grand Saline, Texas.**

**NARCISO ALVARADO, 38026224, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Nueces, Texas.**

**A. E. MITCHELL, 34049302, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Ruleville, Mississippi.**

**EUGENIO B. CORONADO, 38026212, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Robestown, Texas.**

**CLEO V. GRIFFITH, 20804637, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Coleman, Texas.**

**MELROSE H. DOWNEY, 38135412, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Coleman, Texas.**

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GILBERT C. BULLOCK, 35162729, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Hobart, Indiana.

THOMAS DURBIN, 6905073, Private, Antitank Company, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Linden, New Jersey.

For exceptionally meritorious conduct on 3 June 1944 in Italy. The above named enlisted men were assigned the task of carrying needed ammunition to the front line forces fighting on the summit of a mountain. Making many trips without rest through flat, exposed ground, and over steep, treacherous mountain paths, braving constant sniper and mortar fire, they determinedly made their way with the vital ammunition to the front line forces. As a result of their untiring efforts, they materially assisted in breaking up a serious counterattack which threatened to break through our lines.

HOWARD R. STANERUCK, 20800335, Private First Class, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 26 November 1943 in Italy. Private First Class Staneruck, attached to the 2d Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment as a jeep orderly, volunteered to evacuate a wounded man from the battalion aid station to the collecting station over a road subjected to incessant artillery and mortar fire. While proceeding along the shell torn road, a shell explosion wounded the driver and broke the clutch pedal on the jeep. With thoughts only for the safety of his patient, Private First Class Staneruck continued dauntlessly forward until he reached the collecting station. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

By command of Major General DAHLQUIST:

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