Lt. Robert V. Kresge Gets Silver Star for Gallantry in Action

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First Lt. Robert V. Kresge, 1113

Broadway, has been awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action with the 12th Armored Division near Colmar, France. An officer in the division's 714th Tank Battalion, he was cited as follows:

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"During an attack, the task force to which Lt. Kresge's platoon was attached was held up by an antitank gun protected by dug-in infantry that had disabled two tanks that were part of the task force. Lieut. Kresge dismounted from his tank and, accompanied by one of his tank commanders who volunteered to go with him on the mission, advanced forward over two hundred yards of open exposed terrain under heavy enemy small arms and artillery fire to a defilade position to locate the enemy's position, destroy the anti-tank gun and capture approximately 50 enemy. After returning to his tank, he directed his platoon into position enabling the forces to continue its mission."