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Mr. Harry H. Buchman 3030 Jenkin Arcade Pittsburg, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Buchman:

I have the honor to inform you that, by direction of the President. the Silver Star has been posthumously awarded to your son, Second Lieutenant Arthur H. Buchman, Coast Artillery Corps. The citation is as follows:

## SILVER STAR

"For gallantry in action at Fort Hughes, Philippine Islands, April 12, 1942. When a heavy shelling of Fort Hughes caused numerous casualties. Lieutenant Buchman left his place of shelter and voluntarily without regard for his personal safety, proceeded across exposed ground and assisted in the evacuation of the wounded to an aid station, during which time several shells burst in the immediate vicinity. Lieutenant Buchman then assisted in carrying the more seriously injured men to the post dispensary, a distance of some four hundred yards uphill, making three round trips. During all this time Fort Hughes was being shelled by the enemy."

(Authority: GO No. 29, H2. Philippine Coast Arty Comd, Fort Mills, P.I., 2d Lt, 22 Apr 42, 59th Coast Arty)

The decoration will be forwarded to the Commanding General, Third Service Command, Baltimore, Maryland, who will select an officer to make the presentation. The officer selected will communicate with you regarding your wishes about the presentation.

My deepest sympathy is extended to you in your bereavement.

Sincerely yours,

EDWARD F. WITSELL

Major General

The Adjutant General

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