

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the MEDAL OF HONOR posthumously to

FIRST LIEUTENANT GEORGE H. CANNON, USMC

for services as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For distinguished conduct in the line of his profession, extraordinary courage, and disregard of his own condition during the bombardment of Midway Island, by Japanese forces. Lieutenant Cannon was at his Command Post when he was mortally wounded by enemy shell fire. He refused to be evacuated from his post until after his men who had been wounded by the same shell, were evacuated, and directed the reorganization of his Command Post until forcibly removed and as a result of his utter disregard of his own condition, he died from loss of blood.