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Field Artillery**

**“BOOK of MERIT”**

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## **PREFACE**

I have decided to capture as much of the 158th Field Artillery's history as possible and this volume is devoted to the decorations and medals, awarded to soldiers of the battalion while participating in World War II, Korean War, Persian Gulf War and the Global War on Terrorism. I have concluded that these citations of deeds, courage, and gallantry under fire; if they are not historically important; must be excellent indicators of the unit's morale while deployed to a hostile area.

The 158th Field Artillery "**Book of Merit**" is a record of the deeds and dramatic exploits of notable individual achievements of the unit's heroes; past and present; that compose the unit's overall history and forms the background of morale and esprit de corps of the gallantry and valor as we know it, to be archived for the next generation of veterans who will read the history of those who served before them. This book chronicles the citations of deeds of courage, the acts of gallantry under fire, exceptional meritorious conduct in performance of duty and is the written history of the unit's morale and discipline while in service to the United States of America. The book is archived so that these deeds are not lost to time.

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## **BOOK OF MERIT**

The "Book of Merit" is the story of these dramatic exploits of notable individual achievements of the unit's heroes; past and present; that compose the organization's overall history and forms the background of morale and esprit de corps of the gallantry and valor as we know it, to be archived for the next generation of veterans who will read the history of those who served before them.

Merit was to be the new criteria for greatness in the new Continental Army of the American republic. In this new republic there were very few men of genteel birth, especially in an era when only gentlemen who purchased their commissions could become

officers. General George Washington recognized this great disparity, promoting many officers from obscurity to general officers. In the 18th century, it was common practice to reward these officers with medals and orders for valorous actions, however regular soldiers who distinguished themselves on the battlefield were rarely recognized. General Washington also recognized this disparity in the rank and file of the enlisted men and noncommissioned officers.

On 17 October 1781, General Cornwallis surrendered at Yorktown and it took several months for this news to reach the British government and soon after in April 1782 peace talks began in Paris. On 7 August 1782, from his headquarters in Newburgh, New York General Washington published a General Order which stated:

*Honorary Badges of Distinction are to be conferred on the veteran Noncommissioned officers and soldiers of the army, who have served more than three years with bravery, fidelity and good conduct, for this purpose a narrow piece of white cloth of an angular form is to be fixed to the left arm on the uniform coats. Noncommissioned officers and soldiers who have served with equal reputation more than six years are to be distinguished by two pieces of cloth set on parallel to each other in a similar form; should any who are not entitled to these honors have the insolence to assume the badges of them they shall be severely punished. On the other hand, it is expected those gallant men who are thus designated will on all occasions be treated with particular confidence and consideration.*

*The General ever desirous to cherish virtuous ambition in his soldiers, as well as to foster and encourage every species of Military Merit, directs that whenever any singularly meritorious action is performed, the author of it shall be permitted to wear on his facings over the left breast, the figure of a heart in purple cloth, or silk, edged with narrow lace or binding. Not only instances of unusual gallantry, but also of extraordinary fidelity and essential service in any way shall meet with a due reward. Before this favor can be conferred on any man, the particular fact, or facts, on which it is to be grounded must be set forth to the Commander in chief accompanied with certificates from the Commanding officers of the regiment and brigade to which the Candidate for reward belonged, or other incontestable proofs, and upon granting it, the name and regiment of the person with the action so certified are to be enrolled in the Book of Merit which will be kept at the orderly office. Men who have merited this last distinction to be suffered to pass all guards and sentinels which officers are permitted to do. The road to glory in a patriot army and a free country is thus open to all. This*

*order is also to have retrospect to the earliest stages of the war, and to be considered as a permanent one.*

The first of these awards would be the Badge of Distinction, a tradition that is still carried on today in the form of service stripes or "hash marks". The second of these awards was The Military Badge of Merit awarded for "singularly meritorious service". Wounds were considered merit and in the waning days of the Revolutionary War the badge was awarded to three soldiers.

By 30 November 1782 the preliminary articles of peace were agreed upon which recognized American independence and established borders for the new nation. By 4 February 1783, Great Britain announced a cessation of hostilities. On 3 May 1783 Sergeants Elijah Churchill and William Brown received the first Badges of Merits and certificates at General Washington's Newburgh headquarters. A third soldier; Sergeant Daniel Bissell; received the award on 10 June 1783. On 13 June 1783, General Washington issued the military order for the Continental Army to be furloughed. On 3 September 1783 the "Treaty of Paris" officially ended the war and on 4 November 1783, Washington issued a proclamation officially disbanding the Continental Army. Shortly after the army started to disband; The Book of Merit; which was meant to chronicle the deeds of the new nation's heroes; contained the names of the first three recipients of the Badge of Merit, but during the furloughing and disbanding of the army the book was neglected and disappeared, lost with the passing of time. Historians know the names of the first three recipients of the badge of merit, but they hypothesises as to whether these were the only recipients since there is no known list of exploits that warrant such distinctions.

## **DECORATIONS AND MEDALS**

Military decorations are awarded in recognition of individual heroism, meritorious achievement, or meritorious service. All military medals are known collectively as military decorations yet each one is its own tangible recognition of merit. The terms "decoration" and "medal" are almost always used interchangeably today, and even though a "decoration" may have the word "medal" in its title; it still causes confusion; but there is a significant distinction between them. "**Decorations**" are awarded for **acts of gallantry, meritorious service** and usually have unique and distinctive shape such as a cross or star. "**Medals**" are

medallions and are awarded for **achievement, good conduct, participation in campaigns, noncombatant service** and normally are round in shape.

Just as all decorations and medals have a hierarchy order of precedence there is a "peacetime and wartime" criteria. The U.S. Army decorations authorized during "wartime" and the order of precedence are as follows:

Medal of Honor\*  
Distinguished Service Cross  
Silver Star  
Legion of Merit  
Soldier's Medal  
Bronze Star Medal  
Purple Heart  
Air Medal  
Army Commendation Medal  
Army Achievement Medal  
Prisoner of War Medal  
Combat Action Badge

*\*This battalion has no Medal of Honor recipients, but the Medal of Honor is used as the gage that is used to measure gallantry.*

In "peacetime", military decorations recognize achievements which have significantly contributed to the readiness and or the effectiveness of an organization, or have made notable contributions to the morale or esprit de corps of said organization.



# MEDAL OF HONOR



**Medal of Honor (MOH):** The MOH was established by Joint Resolution of Congress, 12 July 1862 and is awarded by the President in the name of Congress to a person who, while a member of the Army, distinguishes himself or herself conspicuously by gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his or her life above and beyond the call of duty while engaged in an action against an enemy of the United States; while engaged in military operations involving conflict with an opposing foreign force; or while serving with friendly foreign forces engaged in an armed conflict against an opposing armed force in which the United States is not a belligerent party. The deed performed must have been one of personal bravery or self sacrifice so conspicuous as to clearly distinguish the individual above his comrades and must have involved risk of life. Incontestable proof of the performance of the service will be exacted and each recommendation for the award of this decoration will be considered on the standard of extraordinary merit. Incontestable proof of the performance of the service will be exacted and each recommendation for the award of this decoration will be considered on the standard of extraordinary merit.



# DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS



**Distinguished Service Cross (DSC):** The DSC was established by Act of Congress 9 July 1918 and is awarded to a person who, while serving in any capacity with the Army, distinguished himself or herself by extraordinary heroism not justifying the award of a Medal of Honor; while engaged in an action against an enemy of the United States; while engaged in military operations involving conflict with an opposing or foreign force; or while serving with friendly foreign forces engaged in an armed conflict against an opposing Armed Force in which the United States is not a belligerent party. The act or acts of heroism must have been so notable and have involved risk of life so extraordinary as to set the individual apart from his or her comrades.

# SILVER STAR



**Silver Star (SS):** The SS was established by Act of Congress 9 July 1918 and is awarded to a person who, while serving in any capacity with the U.S. Army, is cited for gallantry in action against an enemy of the United States while engaged in military operations involving conflict with an opposing foreign force, or while serving with friendly foreign forces engaged in armed conflict against an opposing armed force in which the United States is not a belligerent party. The required gallantry must have been performed with marked distinction.

# LEGION OF MERIT



**Legion of Merit (LOM):** The LOM was established by Act of Congress 20 July 1942 and is awarded to any member of the Armed Forces of the United States or a friendly foreign nation who has distinguished himself or herself by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services and achievements. The performance must have been such as to merit recognition of key individuals for service rendered in a clearly exceptional manner. Performance of duties normal to the grade, branch, specialty, or assignment, and experience of an individual is not an adequate basis for this award. The LOM is awarded for service not related to actual war, the term "key individuals" applies to a narrower range of positions than in time of war and requires evidence of significant achievement. In

peacetime, service should be in the nature of a special requirement or of an extremely difficult duty performed in an unprecedented and clearly exceptional manner. However, justification of the award may accrue by virtue of exceptionally meritorious service in a succession of important positions.

# SOLDIERS MEDAL



**Soldier's Medal (SM):** The SM was established by Act of Congress 2 July 1926 and is awarded to any person of the Armed Forces of the United States or of a friendly foreign nation who, while serving in any capacity with the Army of the United States, distinguished himself or herself by heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy. The same degree of heroism is required as for the award of the Distinguished Flying Cross. The performance must have involved personal hazard or danger and the voluntary risk of life under conditions not involving conflict with an armed enemy. Awards will not be made solely on the basis of having saved a life.

# BRONZE STAR MEDAL



**Bronze Star Medal (BSM):** The BSM was established by Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 and is awarded to any person who, while serving in any capacity in or with the Army of the United States and distinguished himself or herself by heroic or meritorious achievement or service, not involving participation in aerial flight, in connection with military operations against an armed enemy; or while engaged in military operations involving conflict with an opposing armed force in which the United States is not a belligerent party. Awards may be made for acts of heroism or to recognize single acts of merit or meritorious service.

# PURPLE HEART



**Purple Heart (PH):** The PH was originally established by General George Washington at Newburgh, NY, on 7 August 1782, during the Revolutionary War. It was reestablished by the President of the United States per War Department General Orders 3, on 22 February 1932. The PH is currently awarded and is clearly an individual decoration, and differs from all other decorations in that an individual is not "recommended" for the decoration; rather, he or she is entitled to it upon meeting specific criteria. The PH is awarded in the name of the President of the United States to any member of an Armed Force of the United States who has been wounded, killed, or who has died or may hereafter die of wounds received.

# AIR MEDAL



**Air Medal (AM):** The AM was established by Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942 and is awarded to any person who, while serving in any capacity in or with the U.S. Army, will have distinguished himself or herself by meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight. Awards may be made for acts of heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy or while engaged in military operations involving conflict with an opposing armed force in which the United States is not a belligerent party. Awards may be made for single acts of meritorious achievement, involving superior airmanship which was accomplished with distinction beyond that normally expected. Awards for meritorious service may be made for sustained distinction in the performance of duties involving regular and frequent participation in aerial flight for a period of at least 6 months.

# ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL



**Army Commendation Medal (ARCOM):** The ARCOM was established by War Department Circular 377, 18 December 1945 and is awarded to any member of the Armed Forces of the United States who, while serving in any capacity with the Army distinguishes himself or herself by heroism, meritorious achievement or meritorious service. Awards of the ARCOM may be made for acts of valor performed under circumstances described above which are of lesser degree than required for award of the Bronze Star Medal.



# ARMY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL



## **Army Achievement Medal (AAM):**

The AAM was established by the Secretary of the Army, 10 April 1981, as announced in AGO 1990-15 and is awarded to any member of the Armed Forces of the United States, who distinguished himself or herself by meritorious service or achievement.

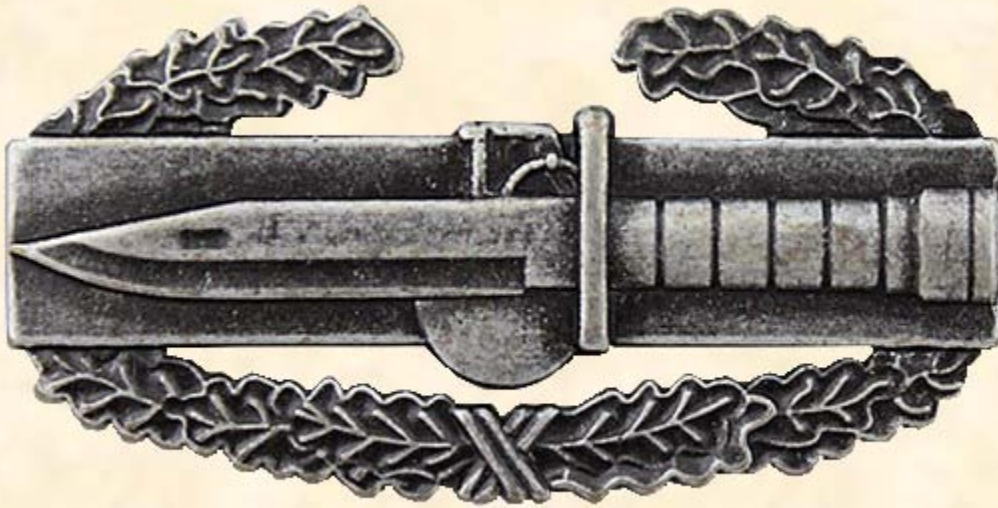
# PRISONER OF WAR MEDAL



## **Prisoner of War Medal (POWM):**

The criteria for award of the POWM is codified in 10 USC 1128. It is authorized for any person who, while serving in any capacity with the U.S. Armed Forces, was taken prisoner and held captive after 5 April 1917. It is issued to U.S. military personnel who were taken prisoner and held captive while engaged in an action against an enemy of the United States. 1945.

# COMBAT ACTION BADGE



**Combat Action Badge (CAB):** On 2 May 2005, the Chief of Staff Army approved the creation of the CAB to provide special recognition to soldiers who personally engaged, or are engaged by, the enemy. The CAB is intended to serve as a companion to the Combat Infantryman's Badge (CIB) and Combat Medical Badge (CMB) to recognize the greatly expanded role of non-infantry Soldiers in active, ground combat where the soldier is personally present and under hostile fire while performing satisfactorily in accordance with the prescribed rules of engagement, in an area where hostile fire pay or imminent danger pay is authorized.

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HAS AWARDED THE

# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Sergeant First Class Earl D. Alexander, NG25684071

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

26 April 1952, North Korea.







**THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**  
THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO

Private First Class Robert K. Albright, 33589636

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in France on January 21, 1945.





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TO ALL WHO SHALL SEE THESE PRESENTS, GREETINGS:  
THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT  
**THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**  
AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 4 FEBRUARY 1944  
HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Private First Class Paul H. Allen, 30817356

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: Paul H. Allen, (38017356), Field Artillery, Private First Class, Service Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 20 January 1945 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Maud, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 156 dated 17 May 1945.



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AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

**PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOHN H. ALTENRIED, 38015479**

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

23 February 1944 near Anzio, Italy.



**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
Orders No. 40 dated 1 March 1944.



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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER, 11 MAY 1942  
HAS AWARDED

# **THE AIR MEDAL**

TO

Sergeant William L. Applegate, 13077393

**FOR MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT WHILE  
PARTICIPATING IN AERIAL FLIGHT**

IN GERMANY

**CITATION:**

Award of the Air Medal presented to: William L. Applegate, (13077393), Field Artillery, Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, from 3 April to 1 May 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.



**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
Orders No. 193 dated 31 May 1945.



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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 4 FEBRUARY 1944  
HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

First Lieutenant James F. Archer, O-1172737

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, for Meritorious Service in Combat, is presented to James F. Archer, (O-1172737), FA, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, assistant battalion communications officer, from 7 September 1943 to 4 June 1944 in Italy. Entered military service from Topaz, California.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 191 dated 8 August 1944.



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TO

Technician Fourth Grade John C. Athey, 20830709

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death July 15, 1943.





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TO

**Corporal Frank Bahm, US55045104**

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

15 June 1952, North Korea.





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ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
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TO

Private Nathaniel P. Bailey, 36550990

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death February 1, 1944.







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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 4 FEBRUARY 1944  
HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Private First Class Elmer H. Ball, 33092641

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: Elmer H. Ball, (33092641), Field Artillery, Private First Class (then Private), Service Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 15 January 1945 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Volney, Virginia.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 156 dated 17 May 1945.



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**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

First Lieutenant Roland W. Ballinger, O-1177275

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: Roland W. Ballinger, (O-1177275), Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Battery "C", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 11 September 1943 to 15 February 1944 in Italy. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 59 dated 23 February 1945.



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AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private James H. Ballman, 35109156

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death November 16, 1943.





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HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Technician Third Grade Louis A. Bartay Jr., 20836467

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: Louis A. Bartay Jr., (20836467), Field Artillery, Technician Third Grade, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 25 January 1945 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 171 dated 23 May 1945.



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PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO  
Corporal Kenneth O. Beck, 33424206

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in France on January 21, 1945.





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AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

First Lieutenant Harold Bernstein, O-1179295

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death April 10, 1945.





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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 4 FEBRUARY 1944  
HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Technician Fifth Grade Leroy F. Bertrand, 38058674

FOR

**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

**CITATION:**

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Heroic Achievement in Action, presented to: Leroy F. Bertrand, (38058674), FA, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Battery "A", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, driver one-quarter ton truck, on 10 February 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. Entered military service from Port Arthur, Texas.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 198 dated 15 August 1944.



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## **THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Private First Class Louis G. Bertuccini, 31194518

FOR

**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

### **CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal presented to: Louis G. Bertuccini, 31194518, Field Artillery, Private First Class (then Private), Battery "A", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. Attacking heavily defended concrete fortifications of the Siegfried Line, a rifle company was pinned down in a heavy cross fire from automatic weapons supported by enemy artillery and mortar fire. Under this continuous fire Private Bertuccini and two other members of a forward observer party moved to within one hundred yards of the enemy block house and, even though observed by the enemy, made repairs to their radio that had been damaged by the enemy fire. Then, with the set repaired, the party relayed fire orders to the artillery that succeeded in neutralizing the enemy position. When the attacking infantry flanked the strongpoint, the forward observer party assaulted the block house and captured three enemy officers and seven enlisted men. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from New Haven, Connecticut.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 192 dated 31 May 1945.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private John V. Blake, 33479433

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death June 3, 1944.





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TO

Technician Fifth Grade Rudy W. Bohn, 19074386

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death January 29, 1944.





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**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Corporal Raymond F. Boydstun, 20830327

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: Raymond F. Boydstun, (20830327), Field Artillery, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 25 January 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Sulphur, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Division: General Orders No. 148 dated 13 May 1945.



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**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Captain David N. Breeding, O-358862

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: David N. Breeding, (O-358862), Field Artillery, Captain, Headquarters, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 July 1943 to 9 January 1944, in Sicily and Italy. Entered the military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Division: General Orders No. 103 dated 3 April 1945.



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## A SILVER STAR

TO

First Lieutenant James H. Brister, O-1168578

FOR

## GALLANTRY IN ACTION

### **CITATION:**

First Lieutenant James H. Brister, O-1168578, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, 45th Infantry Division, for gallantry in action on 15 and 16 January 1945 near Riepertsweller, France. In spite of a painful knee injury Lieutenant Brister stayed at his post as a forward artillery observer with a rifle company. The following morning a strong enemy force counterattacked, threatening his position. Although exposed to enemy small arms and machine gun fire, Lieutenant Brister moved along the front lines directing artillery fire which contributed greatly to the repelling of the enemy assault. The next day Lieutenant Brister again exposed himself to enemy rocket and mortar fire to determine the enemy movements and was able to bring immediate fire on a threatening enemy force, adjusting fire to within fifty yards of his own position. Lieutenant Brister's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from San Antonio, Texas.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: General Orders No. 415 dated 6 December 1945.



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**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**  
TO  
FIRST LIEUTENANT JAMES H. BRISTER, O-1168578  
FOR  
**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, for Meritorious Service in Combat, is presented to James H. Brister, (O-1168578), Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Battery "C", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 5 December 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
General Orders No. 388 dated 28 November 1945.



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THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO

Private First Class William A. Broughton, 35791442

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in France on January 21, 1945.





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**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Private Frank S. Brychta, 36048949

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: Frank S. Brychta, 36048949, Field Artillery, Private, Battery A, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, radio operator, forward observation party, from 10 July 1943 to 1 April 1944 in Sicily and Italy. Entered the military service from Wilmotto, Illinois.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 225 dated 4 October 1944.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private First Class James O. Butler, US52161191

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

16 June 1952, North Korea.





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**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Private First Class William R. Buttrum, 35486483

FOR

**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Heroic Achievement in Action, presented to: William R. Buttrum, (35486483), Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery "C", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15-16 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. Private Buttrum, a member of a forward observer party, learned of a strong enemy attack on an adjacent infantry company. On his own initiative, Private Buttrum worked his way up a steep hill through heavy small arms fire to aid in repulsing the attack. Taking a position on the enemy's flank, Private Buttrum and another artilleryman opened fire and harassed and confused the attacking force so effectively that the rifle company was able to halt the enemy thrust. After the fighting had stabilized, Private Buttrum returned to his party, but twice more in the hours that followed he moved to the aid of the hard pressed rifle company, giving support which was valuable in repelling the enemy attacks. On the third of these occasions, Private Buttrum was wounded as he made his way across exposed terrain under enemy artillery fire. His courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Evansville, Indiana.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Division: General Orders No. 87 dated 17 March 1945.



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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
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TO

Private First Class Ernest C. Cain, 20830730

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death January 29, 1944.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
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TO  
**PRIVATE MORVEN A. CARTER, 38017448**

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

31 January 1944 near Anzio, Italy.



**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
Orders No. 40 dated 1 March 1944.



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## A SILVER STAR

TO

Private First Class Walter S. Carter, 20830965

FOR

## GALLANTRY IN ACTION

### **CITATION:**

Walter S. Carter, (20830965), FA, Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on the Anzio Beachhead from 23 February to 2 March 1944. Private First Class Carter, member of an artillery liaison section, was captured on the afternoon of 23 February while helping carry wounded from a cave in an attempt to evacuate them to the rear. Confined in a prisoner of war camp in Rome 25 February, he escaped 29 February and, by traveling at night and hiding during the day, made his way through approximately fifteen miles of German occupied territory to return to our lines 2 March. He was able to give higher headquarters the identification of enemy installations including an airport, a field artillery battery, two command posts, two anti-air-craft guns, extensive dug-in infantry positions, and the movement of a column of tanks. Private First Class Carter's courage and attention to duty in securing this information is worthy of the highest praise and reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Kingfisher, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: General Orders No. 61 dated 29 March 1944.



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**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**  
TO  
Technician Fifth Grade Vincent J. Castiglione, 16143457  
FOR  
**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Heroic Achievement in Action, presented to: Vincent J. Castiglione, (16143457), Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Battery "C", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15-16 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. Technician Castiglione, a member of a forward observer party, learned of a strong enemy attack on an adjacent infantry company. On his own initiative, Technician Castiglione worked his way up a steep hill through heavy small arms fire to aid in repulsing the attack. Taking a position on the enemy's flank, Technician Castiglione and another artilleryman opened fire and harassed and confused the attacking force so effectively that the rifle company was able to halt the enemy thrust. After the fighting had stabilized, Technician Castiglione through the enemy fire to his observer party. In the hours that followed, he moved twice more to the aid of the hard pressed rifle company. Though forced to undergo intense mortar and artillery concentrations, Technician Castiglione provided support which was valuable in repelling the enemy attacks. His courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Division: General Orders No. 87 dated 17 March 1945.



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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private First Class John Charmo, 32348489

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death August 21, 1944.





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## A SILVER STAR

TO

Private William M. Colby, 35632877

FOR

## GALLANTRY IN ACTION

### **CITATION:**

William M. Colby, (35632877), FA, Private, Headquarters Battery, Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on the night of 21-22 February 1944, near Carroceto, Italy. During the defense of a sector on the Anzio Beachhead by an infantry battalion, the command post located in a cavern was threatened by assaulting hostile forces which had broken through the outer defenses and were attacking the entrance of the cave from two directions. Throughout the encounter, Private Colby, serving with an artillery liaison party, remained at his radio ten feet from the mouth of the cave receiving and transmitting conduct of fire messages calmly and efficiently, although his life was endangered by grenades and small arms fire. As a last resort in warding off the German troops, he directed artillery fire to the very entrance of the cave. Private Colby's efforts contributed to the frustration of the attack, inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy, and typify the high ideals of the Armed Forces. Home address: Mansfield, Ohio.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: General Orders No. 59 dated 27 March 1944.





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PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO

Second Lieutenant William M. Colby, O-1998701

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in France on January 21, 1945.





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HAS AWARDED

# **THE AIR MEDAL**

TO

First Lieutenant Norbert M. Collins, O-1166461

## **FOR MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT WHILE PARTICIPATING IN AERIAL FLIGHT**

IN FRANCE AND GERMANY

### **CITATION:**

Award of the Ninth Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal, presented to: Norbert M. Collins, (O-1166461), Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy from 2 January to 21 March 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.



**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
Orders No. 173 dated 25 May 1945.



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ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private Joe Curley, 38017433

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death March 30, 1944.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
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TO  
Corporal Peter J. Cusick, US51016302

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION  
16 June 1952, North Korea.





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TO

Private First Class Charles W. Daffara, 36049565

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death January 30, 1944.





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TO

Private First Class Melvin W. Davidson, 33076007

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death November 17, 1943.





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TO

Technician Fifth Grade Curtis H. Davis, 20830734

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death January 29, 1944.





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TO

Private First Class Paul N. Davis, 20830735

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death January 29, 1944.







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HAS AWARDED

# **THE AIR MEDAL**

TO

First Lieutenant James C. Depury, O-16918776

**FOR MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT WHILE  
PARTICIPATING IN AERIAL FLIGHT**  
IN FRANCE AND GERMANY

**CITATION:**

Award of the Air Medal presented to: James C. DePury, (O-1691876), Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, from 13 January to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Tampa, Florida.



**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
Orders No. 193 dated 31 May 1945.



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HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

SERGEANT PETER J. DISTEFANO, US51148096

FOR

**MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT**

**IN GROUND OPERATIONS AGAINST THE ENEMY**

**KOREA, 29 JULY 1952 THRU 10 JULY 1953**

Sergeant Peter J. DiStefano distinguished himself by meritorious service in connection with military operations against an armed enemy, in Korea, from 29 July 1952 to 10 July 1953. As Computer and Horizontal Control; Operator, Sergeant DiStefano played a key role in the success of the battalion's mission of direct support. The immediate and accurate fire needed by the infantry units was supplied largely because of Sergeant DiStefano's exemplary efforts. He responded quickly to orders given him and transmitted data with minimum delay. His enthusiasm and decisiveness served as an example to men working with him and reflects great credit on Sergeant DiStefano and the military service. Entered the Federal service from New Jersey and is assigned to Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, 45th Infantry Division.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private James Ditonna, 32918145

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death August 15, 1944.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

First Lieutenant Earle S. Downes, O-1688327

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death March 26, 1953.





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BY ACT OF CONGRESS, JULY 9, 1918  
HAS AWARDED

## A SILVER STAR

TO

First Lieutenant Corwin V. Edwards, O-420935

FOR

GALLANTRY IN ACTION

### **CITATION:**

Award of the Silver Star is presented to Corwin V. Edwards, (O-420935), Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 6 October 1943, east of Ponte, Italy. As forward observer, Lieutenant Edwards was advancing with an infantry company when a German 88-mm gun opened fire on the column from a high hill, killing one man and wounding six others. The column scattered and took cover. Lieutenant Edwards, with utter disregard for his safety and while under continual fire from the enemy gun, worked his way across open ground to a bare knoll from where he effectively directed artillery fire on the enemy gun, forcing it to withdraw from its position. He continued to remain in his exposed position approximately six hours, searching the terrain for more targets, directing fire on enemy trucks and tanks. The courage and devotion to duty shown by Lieutenant Edwards in his action were an inspiration to the officers and men and are in accordance with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Adjutant General's Letter 200.6 dated 18 November 1943.



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ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private First Class Martin S. Eskin, 55185922

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death August 25, 1952.





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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 4 FEBRUARY 1944  
HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

First Lieutenant Charles K. Fetzer Jr., O-1165849

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: Charles K. Fetzer Jr., (O-1165849), Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 October 1943 to 29 October 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Morristown, New Jersey.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 59 dated 23 February 1945.



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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER, 11 MAY 1942  
HAS AWARDED

# **THE AIR MEDAL**

TO

Lieutenant Colonel Russell D. Funk, O-267164

## **FOR MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT WHILE PARTICIPATING IN AERIAL FLIGHT**

IN ITALY, FRANCE, AND GERMANY

### **CITATION:**

Award of the Air Medal presented to: Russell D. Funk, (O-267164), Field Artillery, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, from 11 September 1943 to 29 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.



**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
Orders No. 193 dated 31 May 1945.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Second Lieutenant James R. Garner, O-0996400

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

29 January 1953, North Korea.





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HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**  
TO  
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS RAYMOND G. GARNER  
FOR  
HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN GROUND OPERATIONS AGAINST  
THE ENEMY NEAR KUDONG, KOREA ON 22 SEPTEMBER 1952

Friendly forces on Hill 812 were savagely attacked by an enemy force of battalion strength. During the conflict, allied wire communications were severed, eliminating contact between the forward observers and the supporting artillery. Immediately the battalion fire direction center requested that an attempt be made to restore contact. Completely disregarding the heavy mortar and artillery concentrations, and the continuous fire from two hostile machine guns in that sector, Pfc. Raymond Garner and a companion volunteered for the perilous mission. Although their positions were under constant enemy surveillance, Pfc. Garner and his companion worked relentlessly for more than an hour splicing and relaying the broken lines. Repeatedly enemy fire severed the wires after they had been repaired. Finally the men became convinced that their efforts were too little avail, and returned to the battery area. The heroism and selfless devotion to the mission of his unit displayed on this occasion by Pfc. Garner reflects high credit on himself and the military service. Assigned to Headquarters Battery 158th Field Artillery Battalion, 45th Infantry Division.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private First Class Andrew Gaverick, US52184013

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

3 April 1953, North Korea.





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TO

Private First Class Odie Gilbert Jr., RA14403744

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

21 September 1952, North Korea.





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THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO  
Second Lieutenant Hubery M. Gilliland, O-1998702

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in France on January 21, 1945.





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TO

Private John D. Gouge, US55306646

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

17 April 1953, North Korea.





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PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO  
Technician Fourth Grade Bernard Griffith, 35131811

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in Sicily on July 14, 1943.





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THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO  
Sergeant Thomas C. Grigg, 34104926

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in Italy on February 23, 1944.







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AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private First Class Harold J. Hartnett, US55184168

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

4 August 1952, North Korea.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private First Class Donald K. Harvey, 35168648

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death January 29, 1944.





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AUTHORIZED BY CONGRESS  
HAS AWARDED

## THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

TO

Captain Richard B. Hawk, O-415562

FOR

## EXTRAORDINARY HEROISM IN ACTION

### **CITATION:**

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress July 9, 1918, takes pride in presenting the Distinguished Service Cross to Captain (Field Artillery) Richard B. Hawk, (OSN: O-415562), United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy, in action against enemy forces on 18 March 1944, in Italy. Captain Hawk made his way through heavy shelling to gun positions which had been hit during enemy counter battery barrages directed at his battery positions and administered first aid to the wounded. His intrepid actions, personal bravery and zealous devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States and reflect great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Fifth U.S. Army, General Orders No. 91 dated 1944.



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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 4 FEBRUARY 1944  
HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Technical Sergeant William E. Hawkins Jr., 34114459

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: William E. Hawkins Jr., (34114459), Field Artillery, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 May 1944 to 25 January 1945 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Raleigh, North Carolina.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 156 dated 17 May 1945.



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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO  
Second Lieutenant John P. Hays, O-2003070

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION  
21 September 1952, North Korea.





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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 4 FEBRUARY 1944  
HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

First Sergeant Merle D. Hays, 20830583

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, for Meritorious Service in Combat, is presented to Merle D. Hays, (20830583), FA, First Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, first sergeant, from 29 January to 6 June 1944, near Anzio and Rome Italy, Italy. Entered military service from Woodward, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
Orders No. 191 dated 8 August 1944.



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HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO  
PRIVATE WILLIAM R. HEFFERNAN, 31471620  
FOR  
**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

**CITATION:**

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Heroic Achievement in Action, presented to: William R. Heffernan, (31471620), Field Artillery, Private, Battery "B", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 31 March 1945 near Aschaffenburg, Germany. Private Heffernan's forward observer party followed a rifle squad into a house which had been selected as an observation post. As soon as they entered the building, however, the enemy began firing into it with rifles and machine guns, forcing the group to take cover on the floor. Private Heffernan, by moving from window to window, maintained a steady fire on the enemy with his carbine for several hours until he was seriously wounded. His courage and aggressiveness prevented the enemy from assaulting the position. Entered the military service from Auburn, Massachusetts.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
General Orders No. 301 dated 26 July 1945.



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HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Technician Fifth Grade Evert R. Helwick, 38017407

FOR

**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Heroic Achievement in Action on 1 February 1945 near Wingen, France, presented to: Evert R. Helwick, (38017407), Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion. When a loaded ammunition truck was set ablaze by enemy artillery, Sergeant Junk and Technician Helwick climbed aboard the truck and removed the burning tarpaulin to the ground where it could be extinguished. The timely action of Sergeant Junk and Technician Helwick resulted in the saving of much badly needed equipment and prevented loss of life. Entered the military service from Lola, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 192 dated 31 May 1945.





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PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO

Private First Class Nicholas Hernandez, 38017377

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in Italy on February 23, 1944.





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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 4 FEBRUARY 1944  
HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Technician Fifth Grade Wayne D. Hickman, 35155913

FOR

**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Heroic Achievement in Action, presented to: Wayne D. Hickman, 35155913, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery A, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, leader, field artillery forward observation party, from 8 to 11 February 1944 near Campomorto, Italy. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 225 dated 4 October 1944.



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**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO  
Technician Fourth Grade Wayne D. Hickman, 35155913

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in France on January 21, 1945.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private First Class Lucion J. Hicks, 20830863

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death January 29, 1944.





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HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Corporal Earl W. Highley, 20830615

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: Earl W. Highley, (20830615), FA, Corporal, Battery "A", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, ammunition corporal, from 29 January 1944 to 1 April 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. Entered military service from Woodward, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 198 dated 15 August 1944.



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HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Technician Fourth Grade Earl W. Highley, 20830615

FOR

**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal presented to: Earl W. Highley, (20830615), Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery "A", 158th Field Artillery Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. Attacking heavily defended concrete fortifications of the Siegfried Line, a rifle company was pinned down in a heavy cross fire from automatic weapons supported by enemy artillery and mortar fire. Under this continuous fire Technician Highley, Private Hoover and another member of a forward observer party moved to within one hundred yards of the enemy block house and, even though observed by the enemy, made repairs to their radio that had been damaged by the enemy fire. Then, with the set repaired, the party relayed fire orders to the artillery that succeeded in neutralizing the enemy position. When the attacking infantry flanked the strongpoint, the forward observer party assaulted the blockhouse and captured three enemy officers and seven enlisted men. Their courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon themselves and their organization. Entered the military service from Woodward, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 192 dated 31 May 1945.



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AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO  
**CORPORAL EARL W. HIGHLEY, 20830615**

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION  
28 February 1944 near Anzio, Italy.



**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
Orders No. 40 dated 1 March 1944.



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HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Technician Fourth Grade Emil J. Hladik, 38017316

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: Emil J. Hladik, (38017316), Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Service Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hennessey, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 171 dated 23 May 1945.





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## **THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Private First Class Frank C. Hoover Jr., 33062727

FOR

**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

### **CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal presented to: Frank C. Hoover Jr., (33062727), Field Artillery, Private First Class (then Private), Battery "A", 158th Field Artillery Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. Attacking heavily defended concrete fortifications of the Siegfried Line, a rifle company was pinned down in a heavy cross fire from automatic weapons supported by enemy artillery and mortar fire. Under this continuous fire Technician Highley, Private Hoover and another member of a forward observer party moved to within one hundred yards of the enemy block house and, even though observed by the enemy, made repairs to their radio that had been damaged by the enemy fire. Then, with the set repaired, the party relayed fire orders to the artillery that succeeded in neutralizing the enemy position. When the attacking infantry flanked the strongpoint, the forward observer party assaulted the blockhouse and captured three enemy officers and seven enlisted men. Their courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon themselves and their organization. Entered the military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 192 dated 31 May 1945.



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BY ACT OF CONGRESS, JULY 9, 1918  
HAS AWARDED

## A SILVER STAR

TO

Captain George O. Hubbert, O-450052

FOR

GALLANTRY IN ACTION

### **CITATION:**

George O. Hubbert, (O-450052), FA, Captain, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action near Carroceto, Italy, 17 February 1944. While performing his duties as liaison officer with the command post of an infantry battalion in a cavern, the enemy broke through the ring of friendly infantry companies surrounding the command post and attacked it, climaxing in a small arms and grenade fight at the entrance to the cavern. Captain Hubbert remained at his post within 20 feet of the mouth of the cavern and directed the fire of his own and reinforcing artillery battalions on the attacking force, at times placing fire on the mouth of the cavern. His devotion to duty during this period contributed greatly to the frustration of the enemy attack and resulted in the death of large numbers of enemy troops. Entered military service from Lubbock, Texas.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
General Orders No. 61 dated 29 March 1944.



# THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

AUTHORIZED BY ACT OF CONGRESS ON 20 JULY 1942  
AND AWARDED IN THE NAME OF

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

# THE LEGION OF MERIT

AWARDED TO

**MAJOR ALBERT E. HUBER, O-0273895**

FOR

**EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS SERVICE**

## **CITATION:**

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Legion of Merit was awarded by the Theater Commander to the following named personnel for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services: ALBERT E. HUBER, O-0273895, Major, Field Artillery, Headquarters 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for services in Sicily and Italy from 10 July 1943 to 9 January 1944. Entered military service from Mesa, Arizona.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters European Theater of Operations:  
Orders No. 124 dated 7 November 1944.



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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 4 FEBRUARY 1944  
HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Captain William S. Hurley, 0-336628

FOR

**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

**CITATION:**

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, for Heroic Achievement in Action, presented to William S. Hurley, (0-336628), FA, Captain, Battery "C", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, leader of a medical aid and evacuation party, on 29 January 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 191 dated 8 August 1944.



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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Corporal Willis N. Jarboe, 38023598

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death October 5, 1943.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Warrant Officer Richard A. Jeremias, W-2146510

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

14 September 1952, North Korea.





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TO

Private Lee E. Johnson Jr., US52123843

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

15 June 1952, North Korea.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO  
**PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WADE F. JOHNSON, 38017448**

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

29 January 1944 near Nettuno, Italy.



**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
Orders No. 40 dated 1 March 1944.





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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 4 FEBRUARY 1944  
HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Sergeant Edward M. Junk, 38017312

FOR

**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Heroic Achievement in Action on 1 February 1945 near Wingen, France, presented to: Edward M. Junk, (38017312), Field Artillery, Sergeant, Service Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion. When a loaded ammunition truck was set ablaze by enemy artillery, Sergeant Junk and Technician Helwick climbed aboard the truck and removed the burning tarpaulin to the ground where it could be extinguished. The timely action of Sergeant Junk and Technician Helwick resulted in the saving of much badly needed equipment and prevented loss of life. Entered the military service from Shawnee, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
Orders No. 192 dated 31 May 1945.



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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Second Lieutenant Arthur D. Keil Jr., O-2211656

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

15 June 1952, North Korea.





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TO

Second Lieutenant Arthur D. Keil Jr., O-2211656

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

27 June 1952, North Korea.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private First Class Philip A. Kelley, 32371908

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death January 8, 1944.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Corporal John L. Kendall, RA21260683

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

13 June 1952, North Korea.





# THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AUTHORIZED  
BY ACT OF CONGRESS, JULY 9, 1918  
HAS AWARDED

## A SILVER STAR

TO

First Lieutenant Hilston T. Kilcollins, O-1165887

FOR

## GALLANTRY IN ACTION

### **CITATION:**

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress July 9, 1918, takes pleasure in presenting the Silver Star to First Lieutenant (Field Artillery) Hilston T. Kilcollins (ASN: O-1165887), United States Army, for gallantry in action while serving with the 158th Field Artillery Battalion, 45th Infantry Division, in action on the 19th and 20th of July, 1943, near St. Caterina, Sicily. Lieutenant Kilcollins obtained permission to, and conducted, a party of three volunteers that started on foot across extremely mountainous terrain at sundown on 19 July 1943 to an observation point ten miles within enemy territory. They captured six prisoners, and at dawn were approximately 300 yards from an enemy observation post. By relaying commands, effective fire was adjusted on enemy installations. When discovered and fired upon by small arms, the party returned fire, inflicted casualties upon the enemy, then continued to a more advanced observation post. When driven from there by automatic fire to covered positions, they remained in observation of enemy operations and communicated with their Command Post until dark. The rugged courage, initiative and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant Kilcollins exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered the military service from Mapleton, Maine.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: General Orders No. 22 dated 14 August 1943.



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BY ACT OF CONGRESS, JULY 9, 1918  
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## A SILVER STAR

TO

First Lieutenant Hilston T. Kilcollins, O-1165887

FOR

GALLANTRY IN ACTION

### **CITATION:**

Hilston T. Kilcollins, (O-1165887), First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 September 1943, near Castelnuovo, Italy. First Lieutenant Kilcollins accompanied an infantry company as a forward artillery observer. The unit was advancing over a bare knoll when an intense concentration of hostile machine gun and mortar fire from a wooded hill halted the company and inflicted several casualties. First Lieutenant Kilcollins crawled to the top of the knoll and exposed himself to the fire of machine guns in order to observe and adjust artillery fire on the enemy positions. Machine gun bullets struck near him, spraying him with dirt and rocks; yet he continued to adjust fire on enemy weapons, silencing the two machine guns and mortars. Through First Lieutenant Kilcollin's heroic and effective actions, the company was able to advance and capture the hill. Entered military service from Mapleton, Maine.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters Fifth U.S. Army: General Orders No. 48 dated 24 March 1944.



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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Technician Fifth Grade Woodrow C. King, 20830595

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death August 2, 1943.







**THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**  
TO ALL WHO SHALL SEE THESE PRESENTS, GREETING:  
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AUTHORIZED BY ACT OF CONGRESS 2 JULY 1926  
HAS AWARDED

## **THE SOLDIERS MEDAL**

TO  
Technician Fifth Grade Woodrow C. King, 20830595  
FOR  
**HEROISM**

**CITATION:**

The Soldier's Medal for Heroism not involved in conflict is awarded to: Technician Fifth Grade (then Corporal) Woodrow C. King; ASN 20830595; the courage displayed by Corporal King was responsible for saving the life of the soldier; when personnel of a landing boat were thrown into water thirty yards from shore; the boat having crashed on a rocky beach in the initial landing in Sicily. Though unable to discard his own equipment, he swam under water to rescue a soldier who had been drawn under the boat by a heavy fifteen foot surf. Exhausted and half drowned himself, he pulled the unconscious soldier safely ashore.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters European Theater of Operations: Orders No. 70 dated 20 April 1945.



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HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO  
CAPTAIN GORDON L. KINLEY, O-1165024  
FOR  
**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, for Meritorious Service in Combat, is presented to Gordon L. Kinley, (O-1165024), Field Artillery, Captain, Battery "B", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
General Orders No. 388 dated 28 November 1945.



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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private Benjamin A. Kowalski, 32774654

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death March 13, 1944.





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TO

Private Gary W. Kranz, US55265039

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

26 April 1953, North Korea.





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HAS AWARDED

## **THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO  
FIRST LIEUTENANT WALTER M. KUBANY, O-1179927  
FOR  
**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

### **CITATION:**

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Heroic Achievement in Action, presented to: Walter M. Kubany, (O-1179927), Field Artillery, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Battery "C", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 29 March 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. When the rifle company to which he was attached was halted by enemy artillery and small arms fire, Lieutenant Kubany crawled forward to a place of observation and directed his battalion's fire with such effect that the enemy suffered many casualties and the company was enabled to advance. After the company had taken its objective Lieutenant Kubany established an observation post and, by skillful adjustment of fire, aided in repelling an enemy counterattack. Lieutenant Kubany manned his observation post continuously for twelve hours, often under enemy mortar and small arms fire. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Tarentum, Pennsylvania.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
General Orders No. 301 dated 26 July 1945.



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**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Sergeant William C. LeFurgey, 20830907

FOR

**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal presented to: William C. LeFurgey, (20830907), Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Corporal), Battery "C", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 3-4 December 1944, near Niederbronn, France. Sergeant LeFurgey displayed courage and leadership when, despite heavy enemy counter battery fire falling in the immediate battery position, he left a position of comparative safety, led his men to their gun and directed defensive fires throughout the night which gave vital support to our infantry. Entered the military service from Perry, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Division: General Orders No. 169 dated 22 May 1945.



**THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**  
THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO

Second Lieutenant Francis E. Liggett, O-0465104

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in France on September 11, 1944.





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HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

First Lieutenant Francis E. Liggett, O-465104

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Missing in Action, presented to: Francis E. Liggett, (O-465104), Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Battery "C", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 25 February to 11 September 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Shelton, Nebraska. Next of kin: Mr. James R. Liggett (Father), Shelton, Nebraska.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 171 dated 23 May 1945.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

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TO  
**PRIVATE BONG W. LIM, 39033110**

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

1 November 1943 near Ailano, Italy.



**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
Orders No. 12 dated 12 January 1944.



**THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**  
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PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO  
Technician Fourth Grade Charles A. Locke, 33255985

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in Italy on February 23, 1944.





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PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO

Second Lieutenant Joe F. Lohrengel, O-1177506

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in Italy on February 12, 1944.





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TO

Private Robert A. Lokken, US55213201

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

12 August 1952, North Korea.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Sergeant Richard L. Mansfield, 56085673

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death July 2, 1952.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private First Class Melvin Marshall, 35109137

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death September 15, 1943.





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HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**  
TO  
TECHNICIAN FIFTH GRADE ALEX G. McBRYDE, 14073621  
FOR  
**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

**CITATION:**

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Heroic Achievement in Action, presented to: Alex G. McBryde, (14073621), Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery "B", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1-3 January 1945 near Dambach, France. Left in charge of a forward observation party during a strong enemy counterattack, Technician McBryde directed the effective fire of his medium artillery battalion and a battery of heavy artillery on enemy targets almost continuously for a period of two days. This effective fire destroyed two batteries of horse-drawn artillery, three tanks, and one antitank gun, and forced one entire enemy company to surrender to our forces. During this period, it was necessary for Technician McBryde to operate his own radio in directing fire. His courage and devotion to duty aided materially in repulsing the enemy counterattack and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Fayetteville, North Carolina.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: General Orders No. 301 dated 26 July 1945.



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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER, 11 MAY 1942  
HAS AWARDED

# **THE AIR MEDAL**

TO

Second Lieutenant Herbert J. McCorkle, O-1185289

**FOR MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT WHILE  
PARTICIPATING IN AERIAL FLIGHT**  
IN FRANCE

**CITATION:**

Award of the Air Medal, presented to: Herbert J. McCorkle, (O-1185289), Field Artillery, Second Lieutenant, Headquarters, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy from 2 December 1944 to 14 February 1945 in France. Entered the military service from Pipestone, Minnesota.



**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
Orders No. 133 dated 6 May 1945.





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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER, 11 MAY 1942  
HAS AWARDED

# **THE AIR MEDAL**

TO

First Lieutenant Herbert J. McCorkle, O-1185289

**FOR MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT WHILE  
PARTICIPATING IN AERIAL FLIGHT**  
IN GERMANY

**CITATION:**

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal, presented to: Herbert J. McCorkle, (O-1185289), Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy from 15 March to 22 April 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Pipestone, Minnesota.



**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
Orders No. 173 dated 25 May 1945.



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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Corporal Robert E. McLain, RA17322531

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

26 March 1953, North Korea.





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THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO  
Second Lieutenant Ralph H. McMahan, O-1180258

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in France on January 21, 1945.





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TO

Corporal William McMurray, NG23465734

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION  
10 June 1953, North Korea.





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HAS AWARDED

## A SILVER STAR

TO

Staff Sergeant Samuel Meko Jr., 35169112

FOR

GALLANTRY IN ACTION

### **CITATION:**

Samuel Meko Jr., (35169112), FA, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action near Ponte, Italy, on 9 October 1943. Staff Sergeant Meko had supervised the installation of a forward switching central in a gully about 200 yards from a main road and 100 yards from a 155mm howitzer battery when the battery was subjected to enemy counter-battery fire which included the area in which the switchboard was located. Ordering his men to take cover, Staff Sergeant Meko manned the switchboard during the period until a shell near the road knocked out the line to the rear board. He worked his way to the road, repaired the break, and returned to continue the operation of the board. Staff Sergeant Meko's courageous actions reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: General Orders No. 61 dated 29 March 1944.



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## A SILVER STAR

TO

First Lieutenant Arthur B. Merchant, O-1174958

FOR

GALLANTRY IN ACTION

### **CITATION:**

Arthur B. Merchant, (O-1174958), FA, First Lieutenant (Then Second Lieutenant), Battery "B", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action near Salerno, Italy, 14-16 September 1943. As forward observer in the sector of an infantry company which was widely dispersed over a bare, flat stretch of ground, Lieutenant Merchant maintained an observation post for three days in a lone, tall tree in the center of the sector, completely exposed to enemy shell fire which fell continuously near his position during the period. His fire on the enemy attacking forces so disorganized them that the infantry was able to withstand the assaults without any loss of ground. Lieutenant Merchant's perseverance and courage in making possible proper artillery support to the infantry reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Woonsocket, Rhode Island.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: General Orders No. 61 dated 29 March 1944.



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HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Staff Sergeant Rudolph E. Messe, 33170169

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: Rudolph E. Messe, (33170169), Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Division: General Orders No. 63 dated 26 February 1945.



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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO  
Private First Class Jack R. Meyer, US51127408

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION  
17 April 1953, North Korea.







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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Second Lieutenant Eldon A. Miller, O-2055867

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death February 13, 1944.





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**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Captain LeRoy Miller, O-337582

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: LeRoy Miller, O-337582, Field Artillery, Captain, Headquarters, 158th Field Artillery Battalion (then Battery A), battery commander, from 10 July to 8 December 1943 in Sicily and Italy. Entered the military service from Perry, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 225 dated 4 October 1944.



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**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Technician Fourth Grade William U. Miller, 20830871

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: William U. Miller, (20830871), Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Corporal), Battery "C", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 October 1944 to 15 February 1945 in France. Entered the military service from Jay, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Division: General Orders No. 148 dated 13 May 1945.



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HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO  
Staff Sergeant Alvin E. Myers, 20830875  
FOR  
**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

**CITATION:**

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Heroic Achievement in Action, presented to: Alvin E. Myers, (20830875), FA, Staff Sergeant, Battery "C", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, section chief. Forward observation party, from 2 to 5 January 1944 on Pozzilli, Italy. Entered military service from Perry, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 198 dated 15 August 1944.



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BY ACT OF CONGRESS, JULY 9, 1918  
HAS AWARDED

## A SILVER STAR

TO

First Lieutenant DONALD T. NELSON, O-1165920

FOR

GALLANTRY IN ACTION

### **CITATION:**

DONALD T. NELSON, O-1165920, FA, First Lieutenant, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 28 July 1943 and 29 July 1943, east of San Stefano, Sicily. Lieutenant Nelson, forward observer for a field artillery battalion, and his party were driven from their positions by enemy rifle fire. He closely followed our counter-attacking infantry and reestablished the observation post on a ridge well forward of supporting troops. Although continually subjected to small arms, mortar, and artillery fire which drove nearby infantry to covered positions, Lieutenant Nelson continued to direct artillery fire on enemy tanks, troop concentrations, and a road net. His brilliant direction of firing missions contributed materially to the final success of our infantry and set an inspiring example to the men of the military service. Entered the military service from Gary, Indiana.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters Fifth U.S. Army: General Orders No. 48 dated 24 March 1944.



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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO  
**FIRST LIEUTENANT DONALD T. NELSON, O-1665920**

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

12 September 1943 near Persano, Italy.



**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
Orders No. 40 dated 1 March 1944.



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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private Leonard P. Nelson, 34208331

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death April 30, 1945.





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HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Captain George W. Nikkel, 0-262219

FOR

**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

**CITATION:**

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, for Heroic Achievement in Action, presented to George W. Nikkel, (0-262219), FA, Captain, Service Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, leader of an ammunition detail, from 16 to 20 February 1944, on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. Entered military service from Weatherford, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 191 dated 8 August 1944.





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ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private First Class Lonnie B. Nobles, 20830347

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death July 18, 1943.





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TO

Private Stanley F. Novak, 35292229

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death August 15, 1944.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Sergeant Takashi Oba, US56089236

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

28 June 1952, North Korea.





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ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO  
Captain Charles W. Page, O-0534116

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION  
19 August 1952, North Korea.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO  
**PRIVATE ELIA J. PANGIS, 39202222**

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION  
20 February 1944 near Anzio, Italy.



**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
Orders No. 40 dated 1 March 1944.



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HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Private First Class Oliver Piccioni, 33121683

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: Oliver Piccioni, (33121683), Field Artillery, Private First Class (then Private), Battery "C", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 2 November 1944 to 15 February 1945 in France. Entered the military service from Washington, D.C.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Division: General Orders No. 148 dated 13 May 1945.



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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
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TO

Technician Fifth Grade Louis P. Pool, 20830994

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death August 19, 1943.





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HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Staff Sergeant Oliver D. Power, 35453518

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: Oliver D. Power, (35453518), Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 January 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Brooksville, Kentucky.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 156 dated 17 May 1945.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Technician Fifth Grade Francis H. Pownall, 38023282

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death February 29, 1944.





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TO

Private First Class John H. Priest, 34303066

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Resulting in his death January 18, 1944.





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TO

Private First Class Angelo Proto, US51169618

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

5 June 1953, North Korea.





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TO  
**PRIVATE JAMES T. PRYOR, 32899358**

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION  
29 February 1944 near Anzio, Italy.



**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division:  
Orders No. 40 dated 1 March 1944.



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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 4 FEBRUARY 1944  
HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Corporal George P. Queen, 20830882

FOR

**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

**CITATION:**

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Heroic Achievement in Action, presented to: George P. Queen, (20830882), FA, Corporal, Battery "C", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, radio operator, forward observation party, on 25 September 1943 near Castelnuova, Italy. Entered military service from Perry, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 198 dated 15 August 1944.



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TO

Private First Class Joseph Retton, US52022252

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

4 October 1951 near Yongchon, North Korea.





# THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

AUTHORIZED BY ACT OF CONGRESS ON 20 JULY 1942  
AND AWARDED IN THE NAME OF

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

# THE LEGION OF MERIT

AWARDED TO

First Lieutenant Benjamin F. Robertson, O-1170537

FOR

EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS SERVICE

## **CITATION:**

By direction of the President, under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Legion of Merit is awarded, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during the respective periods indicated, to: First Lieutenant Benjamin F. Robertson (Army Serial No. O-1170537), Field Artillery, United States Army-6 November 1943 to 1 December 1944.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters European Theater of Operations: Orders No. 70 dated 20 April 1945.



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AUTHORIZED BY CONGRESS

HAS AWARDED

## **THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS**

TO

Second Lieutenant George T. Robinson, 0-1178952

FOR

## **EXTRAORDINARY HEROISM IN ACTION**

### **CITATION:**

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress July 9, 1918, takes pride in presenting the Distinguished Service Cross (Posthumously) to Second Lieutenant George T. Robinson, (OSN: 0-1178952), United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy while serving with the 158th Field Artillery Battalion, 45th Infantry Division, in action against enemy forces from 16 to 22 February 1944, he directed continuous field artillery firing missions against the enemy during the vicious German attack to reduce the Anzio beachhead. His observation post was located in a building well in advance of friendly troops and was subjected to constant sniper and artillery fire. On the second day the room from which he was observing was destroyed by three direct hits from German tanks. Unperturbed, he entered an adjoining room and completed his adjustment of fire which forced the tanks to withdraw. The building later was demolished by artillery and mortar fire. That night he established his



observation post in an adjacent house. During the next five days, he conducted firing missions until enemy infantry finally infiltrated into nearby houses and wounded three of his party. After an all night small arms fight with German troops, he barricaded his party in the building and continued to direct artillery fire until he was killed by a sniper. His courage, tenacity of purpose and devotion to duty were responsible for the destruction of large numbers of enemy personnel and considerable equipment. Second Lieutenant Robinson's intrepid actions, personal bravery and zealous devotion to duty at the cost of his life, exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States and reflect great credit upon himself, the 45th Infantry Division, and the United States Army.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Fifth U.S. Army, General Orders No. 102 dated 1944.



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TO

Second Lieutenant George T. Robinson, O-1178952

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death February 22, 1944.





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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 4 FEBRUARY 1944  
HAS AWARDED

## **THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Technician Fifth Grade Arthur A. Rosenthal, 32899011

FOR

**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

### **CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Posthumous, presented to: Arthur A. Rosenthal, (32899011), Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery "B", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 4 October 1944 near Oberbronn, France. While serving as a radio operator with a forward observation party which was giving artillery support to an attacking infantry company, Technician Rosenthal and his companions were subjected to an intense barrage by enemy tank and 20mm flak guns. Finding himself the only uninjured member of his party he endeavored to recover the radio and equipment, and in doing so was killed in the attempt. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Bronx, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Minnie Rosenthal (Mother), 833 Freeman Street, Bronx, New York.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Division: General Orders No. 169 dated 22 May 1945.



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AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Technician Fifth Grade Arthur A. Rosenthal, 32899011

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death December 4, 1944.





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THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO  
Private First Class Joseph R. Roubideaux, 38017425

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in France on January 21, 1945.





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**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**  
TO  
FIRST LIEUTENANT BURTON SACHS, O-1180030  
FOR  
**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

**CITATION:**

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Heroic Achievement in Action, presented to: Burton Sachs, (O-1180030), Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Battery "A", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Obergailbach, France. When the leader and several of the noncommissioned officers of a nearby friendly platoon were killed or wounded in an enemy mine field, Lieutenant Sachs, a forward artillery observer, entered the mine infected area, reorganized the platoon, and led the men from the dangerous zone. He continued to direct the operations of the platoon until the next senior officer of the company arrived. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: General Orders No. 301 dated 26 July 1945.



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**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Staff Sergeant James L. Samuelson, 20830828

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: James L. Samuelson, (20830828), Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 September 1943 to 25 January 1945 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Perry, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 156 dated 17 May 1945.



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**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Private First Class Roy M. Sapienza, 32898746

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: Roy M. Sapienza, (32898746), Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery "C", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Bronx, New York.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 171 dated 23 May 1945.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Technician Fourth Grade Albert M. Schoelen, 38017382

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death January 29, 1944.





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HAS AWARDED

## **THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Staff Sergeant Fred W. Schomaker, 20830829

FOR

**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

### **CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Missing in Action, presented to: Fred W. Schomaker, (20830829), Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Battery "C", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 3 November 1944 near Houssoras, France. When the officer in charge of his forward observer party was seriously wounded, Sergeant Schomaker took over his duties and successfully directed the artillery fire of his battalion on enemy tanks and foot troops. Although the target of enemy small arms and tank fire, he directed accurate fire that enabled the infantry he was supporting to take an objective of great importance. Entered the military service from Perry, Oklahoma. Next of kin: Mr. Carl Schomaker (Father), South 12th, Perry, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Division: General Orders No. 169 dated 22 May 1945.



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PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO  
Staff Sergeant Fred W. Schomaker, 20830829

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in France on January 21, 1945.





# THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AUTHORIZED  
BY ACT OF CONGRESS, JULY 9, 1918  
HAS AWARDED

## A SILVER STAR

TO

Staff Sergeant Walter A. Schomaker, 20830830

FOR

## GALLANTRY IN ACTION

### **CITATION:**

Walter A. Schomaker, (20830830), FA, Staff Sergeant, Battery "C", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action near Carroceto, Italy, on 22 February 1944. Staff Sergeant Schomaker, as enlisted chief of a forward observer party, occupied a house as an observation post which was under enemy fire for five days and on the fifth day was completely surrounded by hostile troops. When the officer in command of the party was killed by a German sniper, Staff Sergeant Schomaker assumed command and adjusted fire on the nearby enemy forces. At dusk he made his way across the open ground and established contact with a security patrol and assisted in securing the route over which his battalion was to move. Staff Sergeant Schomaker's action contributed greatly to the successful withdrawal of the beleaguered infantry battalion that night. His courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Perry, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: General Orders No. 61 dated 29 March 1944.



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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Sergeant Lawrence Shea, 20830821

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death February 18, 1944.





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THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO  
Staff Sergeant Robert E. Shipman, 20830758

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in Sicily on July 14, 1943.





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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO

Private Leonard K. Shoemaker, 34303222

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in Italy on February 23, 1944.





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TO

Technician Fourth Grade James F. Shuck, 35168996

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death August 20, 1944.







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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO  
Technician Fourth Grade Robert L. Silver, 38023432

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in Italy on February 23, 1944.





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TO

Private First Class Edgar F. Skelton, US56088635

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

2 August 1952, North Korea.





**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT  
THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY  
HAS AWARDED  
**THE ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL**

**TO:** SERGEANT FIRST CLASS DAVID A. SLEZICKEY

**FOR:** Meritorious Achievement near Camp Ramadi, Iraq,  
from 14 November 2008 to 1 August 2009.

**CITATION:** SFC David A. Slezcicky, distinguished himself through exceptionally meritorious service while assigned as the Platoon Sergeant of the Quick Reaction Force (QRF), Camp Ramadi, Iraq from 14 November 2008 to 1 August 2009. SFC Slezcicky enhanced the survivability of the ORF by ensuring the QRF fleet of vehicles were maintained in a 100 % operational readiness state, he provided the oversight to refresh and reorganize patrols to diminish predictability, and he greatly improved the accessibility of the QRF's weapons and equipment, thus increasing their response time. SFC Slezcicky's actions and contributions to Camp Ramadi's Base Defense Mission are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service, and reflect great credit upon himself, Battery "C", 1st Battalion 158th Field Artillery (HIMARS), the United States Central Command, and the United States Army.





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ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private First Class Albert R. Smith, RA18276466

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

21 June 1953, North Korea.





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ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
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TO

Private First Class Bryan F. Smith, RA14370894

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

6 November 1952, North Korea.





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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER, 24 AUGUST 1962  
HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO:

Specialist Donald E. Smith

FOR: Meritorious achievement while assigned as Direct Support Maintenance Team for Bravo Battery, 1st Battalion, 158th Field Artillery Battalion during the Persian Gulf War. Specialist Smith displayed an exceptional amount of technical expertise, dedication to duty and loyalty. Specialist Smith's sound judgment exceeds most soldiers of his rank and experience. Specialist Smith stayed behind on his own accord with a repair team to complete the assigned mission of the repair of a combat vehicle without regard for his own safety. This responsible soldier displayed loyalty in keeping with the high standards of the 1045th Ordnance Detachment. 25 July 1992.





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**THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**  
AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 4 FEBRUARY 1944  
HAS AWARDED

## **THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Private First Class Roscoe H. Smith, 20830401

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

### **CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: Roscoe H. Smith, (20830401), Field Artillery, Private First Class, Service Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Geary, Oklahoma.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Division: General Orders No. 148 dated 13 May 1945.



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ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private First Class Raymond Snodgrass Jr., US55190161

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

19 June 1952, North Korea.







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ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private First Class Lawrence C. Sparkman, 38017351

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death September 14, 1943.





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THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO  
Corporal Henry E. Stoneback, 36265048

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in France on January 21, 1945.





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HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Sergeant Vaughn C. Stuchell, 33083034

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: Vaughn C. Stuchell, (33083034), Field Artillery, Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy and France and Germany. Entered the military service from Punxutawney, Pennsylvania.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 156 dated 17 May 1945.



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TO

Private Clarence F. Swope, 35352845

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death February 18, 1944.





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TO

Private First Class Jack H. Taktakian, 55075867

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death August 3, 1952.





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TO

First Lieutenant Ferdinand Teubner, O-1849043

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

20 May 1953, North Korea.





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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER, FEBRUARY 4, 1944  
HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**  
TO  
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROYAL D. THOMPSON, US55082737

FOR  
HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT  
IN GROUND OPERATIONS AGAINST THE ENEMY  
KOREA, 8 JANUARY 1952

On the night of 8 January 1952, Private First Class Royal Thompson had set up a forward artillery observation post, in order to support an infantry patrol. Soon after the infantrymen had contacted the enemy, mortar shells began falling around Thompson's position. The intense barrage; of enemy fire broke Thompson's wire connection back to the artillery's fire direction center. Realizing that he would not be able to support the patrol without the connection, he crawled out of his trench and began searching for the break in the wire. Though enemy fire continued, bringing him under direct fire, Thompson continued until he found the break and repaired the wire. With his communications restored, he was able to call in U.N. artillery on enemy positions. Thompson entered the service 5 January 1951 and is assigned to Battery "A", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, 45th Infantry Division.





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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER, FEBRUARY 4, 1944  
HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

SERGEANT FIRST CLASS FRANK R. TRASK, US51153654

FOR

**MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT**

**IN GROUND OPERATIONS AGAINST THE ENEMY**

KOREA, 6 FEBRUARY TO 27 JULY 1955







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**PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private First Class Aime W. Vezina, 31116662

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death January 29, 1944.





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ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

First Lieutenant Capers R. Wactor, O-1170594

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death July 17, 1943.





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ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private Clement C. Ward, 11078830

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death June 3, 1944.





# THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO ALL WHO SHALL SEE THESE PRESENTS, GREETINGS:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

**THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

AUTHORIZED BY CONGRESS

HAS AWARDED

## **THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS**

TO

Second Lieutenant Charles L. Warner, 0-064284

FOR

## **EXTRAORDINARY HEROISM IN ACTION**

### **CITATION:**

The President of the United States of America, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved July 9, 1918, takes pride in presenting the Distinguished Service Cross (Posthumously) to Second Lieutenant (Field Artillery) Charles L. Warner, (OSN: 0-064284), United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy of the United Nations while serving with serving as a Forward Observer of the 158th Field Artillery Battalion, 45th Infantry Division. Second Lieutenant Warner distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action against enemy aggressor forces in the vicinity of Tummyong-dong, Korea, late on the night of 15 June 1952. On that date, Lieutenant Warner was with an infantry company occupying a strategically located hill. Suddenly the company was subjected to an intense artillery barrage followed by a fanatical attack, by a numerically superior hostile force. Despite the fact that he had been wounded early in the action, Lieutenant Warner remained at his post, adjusting artillery fire which inflicted heavy casualties

on the enemy. With wave after wave of screaming enemy troops assaulting the friendly position, Lieutenant Warner's radio was destroyed by enemy fire, but he continued to call in fire directions by using the company's radio and relaying his adjustments through the infantry battalion. Wounded again, he still refused evacuation, but remained throughout the night in a shallow trench, relaying every request for supporting fire. Early the following morning it was discovered that he had received fourteen wounds, and he was ordered to a rear area for medical treatment. As he was being placed on a stretcher for evacuation, a direct hit by an enemy mortar killed him instantly.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Eighth U.S. Army, Korea: General Orders No. 597 dated 4 October 1952.



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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

First Lieutenant Charles L. Warner, O-10573529

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death June 16, 1952.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

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AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private First Class Oswald Weber, US51025536

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

29 June 1952, North Korea.





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AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 4 FEBRUARY 1944  
HAS AWARDED

**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Corporal Harold L. Wedlick Sr., 16151767

FOR

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE IN COMBAT**

**CITATION:**

Award of Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service in Combat, presented to: Harold L. Wedlick Sr., (16151767), Field Artillery, Corporal (then Technician Fifth Grade), Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 25 January 1945 in Sicily, Italy and France and Germany. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 156 dated 17 May 1945.





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**THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

TO

Sergeant Hubert O. Williams, 34162867

FOR

**HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT IN ACTION**

**CITATION:**

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, for Heroic Achievement in Action, presented to Hubert O. Williams, (34162867), FA, Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade), Battery "A", 158th Field Artillery Battalion, leader, field artillery forward observation party, from 8 to 11 February 1944, near Campo Morto, Italy. Entered military service from Clanton, Alabama.

**GENERAL ORDERS:** Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division: Orders No. 191 dated 8 August 1944.



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PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO  
Corporal William L. Willsey, 20830529

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in Italy on February 23, 1944.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO

Private Hartwell E. Wolgram, 20830768

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION

Resulting in his death January 29, 1944.





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PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO

Private First Class Howard M. Zacharias, 36173923

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in France on January 21, 1945.





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PUBLIC LAW 99-145, NOVEMBER 8, 1985  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AWARDED THE

**PRISONER OF WAR  
MEDAL**

TO  
Private First Class Walter J. Ziobron, 31049342

FOR HONORABLE SERVICE WHILE A PRISONER OF WAR  
Having taken captive in France on January 21, 1945.





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# **PURPLE HEART**

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON  
AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782

TO  
Corporal William G. Zupan, US56089192

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED  
IN ACTION  
13 March 1952, North Korea.





# THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE  
OF OKLAHOMA HAS ON THIS DAY AWARDED THE

## GOVERNOR'S DISTINGUISHED UNIT AWARD



TO

**Headquarters Headquarters Battery  
First Battalion, 158th Field Artillery**

**FOR DISTINGUISHED ACCOMPLISHMENTS REFLECTED THROUGH  
OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE RATINGS IN CALENDAR YEAR 1980**

**GENERAL ORDERS:** State of Oklahoma Military Department: Orders  
No. 40-1 dated 12 May 1981.

**PRESENTED TO:**

LTC Ronald W. Holt  
MAJ Jackson H. Adams  
MAJ Marvin D. Hays  
MAJ John D. McReynolds  
MAJ Bobby D. Thomasson  
CPT Austin K. Atkinson  
CPT Jerry G. Davis  
CPT LeLand F. Kliwer  
CPT David G. O'Neal  
CPT Gary R. Stebbins  
1LT Richard C. Terrell  
2LT David B. Smith  
SGM Robert L. Stringer  
MSG Ora A. Correll  
MSG Kenneth V. Ille  
SFC Marx L. Calhoun  
SFC David O. Nixon  
SFC Emmitt D. Unsell  
SSG Charles E. Anderson  
SSG Bobby J. Bailey  
SSG William E. Foote  
SSG Oliver J. Gordon  
SSG Rudy J. King  
SSG Ermel L. Kittle  
SSG Carl J. Kulow  
SSG Charles F. Layton  
SSG William W. Layton  
SSG James W. LeCompte  
SSG Jimmie L. McAfee  
SSG Roy D. McCarley  
SSG Walter L. McCarley  
SSG Carl Pagan-Figueroa



SSG Clarence M. Priest  
SSG Timothy W. Reed  
SSG Joseph V. Rogers  
SSG Earl E. Sappington  
SSG Otho Smith Jr.  
SSG James G. Snyder  
SSG John C. Spurlock Sr.  
SSG Donald R. Tharp Sr.  
SSG Hershel W. Tuck  
SSG Vernon R. Ward  
SSG Ray L. Watts  
SSG Calvin L. Williams  
SP6 Jerre J. Burton  
SP6 Larry C. Davis  
SGT Steve M. Bass  
SGT Danny R. Crow  
SGT Charles H. Daughterty  
SGT Randall R. Dedert  
SGT Marvin W. Fish  
SGT Willie L. Fitzgerald  
SGT Garen Franklin  
SGT Bennie J. Garey Jr.  
SGT Donald A. Huntley  
SGT Karl G. Jensen, Karl  
SGT Edward L. Jones  
SGT Walter E. King  
SGT Frank Love  
SGT Larry D. Richardson  
SGT Kyle E. Riggs  
SGT Johnnie F. Zumwalt  
SGT Timothy W. Zumwalt  
SP5 Barbara R. Catlett  
SP5 Arty L. Dover

SP5 Richard Limon  
SP5 Rodriguez M. A. Lopez  
SP5 Jerry D. McCarley  
SP5 Richard W. Nelson  
SP5 Amos J. Owens  
SP5 Danny E. Paddie  
SP5 Ralph G. Parker  
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SP5 Donald M. Sullivan  
SP5 Sharline Straughter  
SP5 James H. Tinnell  
SP5 James A. Tuckness  
SP5 Jerry A. Wiser  
SP5 Tommy E. Wooten  
SP4 Roosevelt Danna Jr.  
SP4 Alice F. Dyer  
SP4 Dwight W. Franklin  
SP4 Michael G. Knudsen  
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SP4 Monte E. Meeke  
SP4 Harrly L. Richardson  
SP4 Frank E. Sales  
SP4 Donald W. Simerly  
SP4 Gary L. Tolliver  
SP4 Michael A. Tyler  
PFC Jackie E. Burnett  
PFC Kathleen A. Comforti  
PFC Victor G. Davilla  
PFC William Freeman Jr.  
PFC Winfred D. Gordon  
PFC Loyal E. Hicks Jr.  
PFC Addie M. Manning  
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PVT Adolph S. Scott  
PVT Gary D. Wilks



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## GOVERNOR'S DISTINGUISHED UNIT AWARD WITH BRONZE OAK LEAF



TO

**Headquarters Headquarters Battery  
First Battalion, 158th Field Artillery**

**FOR DISTINGUISHED ACCOMPLISHMENTS REFLECTED THROUGH  
OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE RATINGS IN CALENDAR YEAR 1980**

**GENERAL ORDERS:** State of Oklahoma Military Department: Orders No. 40-1 dated 12 May 1981.

**PRESENTED TO:**

CPT Daryl K. McCall  
CW4 Dennis R. Roper  
1SG Clay F. Dudenhoeffer  
SFC Joseph L. Stevens  
SSG Michael C. Hinson



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