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NO. 219

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individuals for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations.

SECTION I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

MARLIN L. BUTLER, 34709435, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 143rd Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Arab, Alabama.

CHARLES H. MCCOE, 35632216, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 143rd Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Bellaire, Ohio.

WALTER J. HESS, 35490519, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 143rd Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Evansville, Indiana.

JOHN B. BLACKWOOD, 34708447, Corporal, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 143rd Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Cullman, Alabama.

JACK L. CLOVER, 35634892, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 143rd Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Columbus, Ohio.

WELDON ASH, 38026735, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 143rd Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Austin, Texas.

FLOYD J. ELLIOTT, 33565650, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 143rd Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Baltimore, Maryland.

ALFRED L. BLELAN, 33456716, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 143rd Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Sare, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH P. BANASIK, 37553324, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 143rd Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

ALEXANDER S. KOWALCZYK, 13073190, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 143rd Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Baltimore, Maryland.

IVAN L. BENIK, 39616738, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 143rd Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Miles City, Montana.

ROBERT C. BENNETT, 39911068, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 143rd Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Holden, Utah.

HENRY L. EVERSMAN, 36479339, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 143rd Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from St. Louis, Illinois.

KENNETH L. CLYDEN, 36653185, Private, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 143rd Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Hoopeston, Illinois.

For meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 22 January to 5 February 1944 in Italy. Assigned to the task of carrying ammunition

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and supply rations to front line companies and evacuating the dead for the regimental graves registration officer, these soldiers unfalteringly made their way across open terrain subjected to intense artillery, mortar and machine gun fire and for two weeks furnished the men with the vital supplies. By their determined performance of the hazardous duties their courage greatly bolstered morale of the front line forces by constantly supplying them with ample ammunition and rations and removed the necessity for withdrawing men from the lines and the forward outposts.

SECTION II - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, each of the following named members of 143rd Infantry Regiment is awarded a Purple Heart for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Italy.

ARTHUR L. HELTON, 20807020, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Waco, Texas.

GUY E. GREEN, 33403122, Corporal, Company B, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Butler, Pennsylvania.

JOHN J. BARRY, 32236771, Technician Fifth Grade, Cannon Company, 21 June 1944. Entered the Service from Orange, New Jersey.

ARLON M. BUCHANAN, 38038610, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Dallas, Texas.

HAROLD J. DESCHENES, 31324178, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 14 June 1944. Entered the Service from Waterbury, Connecticut.

CYRIL J. MARTINKA, 38026789, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 17 June 1944. Entered the Service from Granger, Texas.

CHARLES A. RACHEL, 38038371, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Fort Worth, Texas.

JOSEPH C. ABEND, 12055632, Private First Class, Company E, 14 June 1944. Entered the Service from Syracuse, New York.

BARNEY B. ADAMS, 38052689, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 19 June 1944. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.

RAYMOND L. AHLHEIM, 39285644, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 14 June 1944. Entered the Service from Bell, California.

HARDING J. ALLEMAN, 38382308, Private First Class, Company L, 14 June 1944. Entered the Service from Donaldsonville, Louisiana.

LAWRENCE V. BAKER, 32805179, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Elmont, New York.

WILLIAM L. BALDAUF, Jr, 32771627, Private First Class, Company L, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Waldwick, New Jersey.

ANTONIO S. BALLO, 32881095, Private First Class, Company L, 14 June 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

TROY R. BARNETT, 34631461, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Sweetman, Mississippi.

HAROLD H. BARTLETT, 36447715, Private First Class, Company D, 15 June 1944. Entered the Service from Peoria, Illinois.

JOHN BOCHAN, 33684503, Private First Class, Company B, 14 June 1944. Entered the Service from Ambridge, Pennsylvania.

HOWARD F. BRAMMER, 35875192, Private First Class, Company E, 21 June 1944. Entered the Service from Maysville, Kentucky.

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JOHN F. CHWAZIK, 3119466, Private First Class, Company B, 21 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Elizabeth, New Jersey.

WILLIAM COHEN, 32711958, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 17 June 1944. Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.

HAROLD B. COX, 37675513, Private First Class, Company F, 18 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Des Moines, Iowa.

RAYMOND C. DAVIDSON, 34805219, Private First Class, Company B, 22 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Phil Campbell, Alabama.

CLAUD R. DAVIS, Jr, 37229379, Private First Class, Company I, 18 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Kansas City, Kansas.

HOMER DAVIS, 34465953, Private First Class, Company M, 14 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Clarkton, North Carolina.

EDWARD F. DEVANEY, 32734812, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 10 June 1944. Entered the Service from Geneva, New York.

MARTIN DEVANEY, 32639435, Private First Class, Company F, 22 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

ARLEN F. DUKE, 6281242, Private First Class, Company D, 11 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Camp Springs, Texas.

ROBERT L. FARRINGTON, 42024013, Private First Class, Company K, 13 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Syracuse, New York.

OMAR L. FRODGE, 35875188, Private First Class, Company F, 22 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Maysville, Kentucky.

RICHARD D. GAGE, 35556954, Private First Class, Company E, 19 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Columbia City, Indiana.

KENNETH C. GELLER, 32800371, Private First Class, Company M, 14 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Ridgewood, New York.

MARVIN H. GINDLESPIRGER, 33759675, Private First Class, Company B, 15 June 1944. Entered the Service from Alum Bank, Pennsylvania.

OSCAR F. GLOMB, 38051623, Private First Class, Company L, 22 June 1944.
Entered the Service from El Campo, Texas.

MAX GOLDSTEIN, 31231774, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 17 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Malden, Massachusetts.

BRUCE C. HANNER, 3470566, Private First Class, Company G, 13 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Killen, Alabama.

BOSS HARKNEISS, 34805356, Private First Class, Company G, 13 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Fayette, Alabama.

ANTHONY J. HASCEK, 32918397, Private First Class, Company G, 13 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Crawford, New York.

ORVILLE F. HASSELBACHER, 36319925, Private First Class, Company K, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Brimfield, Illinois.

GEORGE E. HILL, 11016144, Private First Class, Company E, 19 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Rockingham, Vermont.

NATHANIEL KEMP, 34623965, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 22 June 1944. Entered the Service from Walnut Grove, Mississippi.

WILLIAM J. KLAUS, 20809822, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, MD, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from West, Texas.

EMIL R. KRAGE, 36880745, Private First Class, Company F, 22 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Wyandotte, Michigan.

RAYMOND A. LONGO, 11136396, Private First Class, Company L, 14 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Cranston, Rhode Island.

ARTHUR G. MANNING, 32843470, Private First Class, Company F, 14 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Niagra Falls, New York.

HERMAN E. MARTIN, 35708751, Private First Class, Company F, 22 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Middleburg, Kentucky.

GEORGE MESCO, JR., 33430945, Private First Class, Company E, 10 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania.

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SECTION III — COMMENDATION FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS CONDUCT

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

HARRY E. COSS, 01288010, First Lieutenant, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Waynesburg, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT W. STORY, 32302128, Technician Fourth Grade, Antitank Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from North Plainfield, New Jersey.

SYDNEY L. WEINSTEIN, 32222234, Technician Fourth Grade, Antitank Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.

LEROY A. MORRIS, 20848497, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Gonzales, Texas.

ROBERT R. MC MAHAN, 34380110, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from McAdenville, North Carolina.

THOMAS R. MORGAN, 33279026, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

LEMO A. KUNTCHIK, 20848523, Private, Antitank Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Gonzales, Texas.

For exceptionally meritorious conduct on 12 September 1943, in Italy. As members of the mine platoon, Antitank Company, the above named officer and enlisted men had been ordered with their unit to cover any probable tank approaches to the Regimental Sector. Natural obstacles narrowed down the possible route for tanks four hundred yards beyond the outpost line. Three times the platoon tried to make its way across a stream and an open field to lay the mines, but each time it was pinned down by enemy machine gun fire. The platoon leader called for volunteers to try again and each of the above named men unhesitatingly offered to risk the great perils and help accomplish the mission. Carrying the mines from a dump several hundred yards away, through intense fire, they covered the tank approaches, thereby strengthening the defenses of their regimental sector.

By command of Major General WALKER:

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1. So much of General Orders 219, Headquarters 36th Infantry Division, dated 30 June 1944, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Herman E. Martin, 35 708 751, is withdrawn.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

W. A. Leary
Adjutant General