



Personal info

Full name

BROWN, James Arthur

Date of birth

11 May 1925

Age

19

Place of birth

North Tonawanda, Niagara County, New York

Hometown

North Tonawanda, Niagara County, New York

Military service

Service number

42024933

Rank

Private First Class

Unit

**F Company,
2nd Battalion,
513th Parachute Infantry Regiment,
17th Airborne Division**

Awards

Purple Heart

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

4 January 1945

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Ardennes

Plot	Row	Grave
D	32	19

Immediate family

Members

Arthur J. Brown (father)

Esther W. Brown (mother)

June Brown (sister)

William D. Brown (brother)

More information

Pfc James A. Brown graduated from North Tonawanda High School and attended Concordia Collegiate Institute.

He enlisted in Buffalo, New York on 15 September 1943.

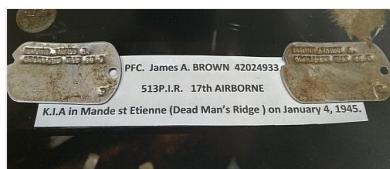
His remains were discovered in April 1945 and transferred to Ardennes Cemetery as Unknown X-53. He could be identified by dental charts and by the fact his name was inscribed in a field jacket and overcoat.

His remains showed severe wounds in the abdomen.

After the cemetery was given a permanent status he was given his final resting place on 9 March 1949.

The photo, showing James in football outfit and the group photo were taken at North Tonawanda High School. The photo with James on his friends shoulders was taken at Concordia Collegiate Institute. His dogtags were found at the battlefield and are now displayed at the Bastogne War Museum in Bastogne, Belgium.

Photos



Source of information: Raf Dyckmans, Terry Hirsch, http://www.ww2-airborne.us/units/513/513_honor.html, IDPF, WWII Draft Card, 1930 US Census

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