



Personal info

Full name

WELLS, William Earl

Date of birth

23 December 1918

Age

26

Place of birth

Clanton, Chilton County, Alabama

Hometown

Jefferson County, Alabama

Military service

Service number

18018931

Rank

Private

Unit

**513th Parachute Infantry Regiment,
17th Airborne Division**

Awards

Purple Heart

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

6 January 1945

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Luxembourg

Plot	Row	Grave
F	8	24

Immediate family

Members

Benjamin Wells (father)

Lurla (Giles) Wells (mother)

Bessie (Hobson) Wells (stepmother)

Ruby L. Wells (sister)

More information

Pvt William E. Wells was a painter.

He joined the Regular Army in Lubbock, Texas on 12 August 1940. He was overseas in August 1944.

He was first buried at the Temporary American Military Cemetery of Grand Failly, France.

Photos



Source of information: Peter Schouteten, www.abmc.gov, www.wwiimemorial.com, www.archives.gov - WWII Enlistment Record, www.ancestry.com - Headstone and Interment Record, <http://www.ww2-airborne.us>

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