



Personal info

Full name

DEW, Robert Glenn

Date of birth

17 January 1921

Age

23

Place of birth

Grundy Center, Grundy County, Iowa

Hometown

Grundy County, Iowa

Military service

Service number

17067016

Rank

Sergeant

Unit

**I Company,
3rd Battalion,
504th Parachute Infantry Regiment,
82nd Airborne Division**

Awards

**Bronze Star,
Purple Heart with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters**

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

27 September 1944

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Margraten

Walls of the Missing

Immediate family

Members

Glenn Dew (father)

Caroline H. (Ellison) Dew (mother)

Glenn Dew (brother)

Leroy E. Dew (brother)

Kenneth L. Dew (brother)

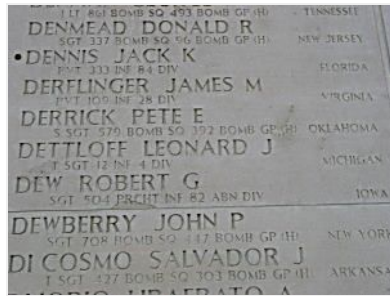
More information

Sgt Robert G. Dew graduated from Grundy Center High School where he was on the football team and earned letters. He was an amateur taxidermist, having mounted hawks, ducks, horned owls and foxes and worked on a farm.

He volunteered for the Army of the United States at Fort Des Moines, Iowa on 14 April 1942. He was sent overseas in May 1943 and saw action in North Africa, Sicily and Italy. In Italy he was reported wounded in action for which he was awarded one of the Purple Heart Medals.

He was wounded in the chest by shrapnel. As two medics were carrying him away from the Den Heuvel farm on a stretcher, a German armoured vehicle closed in. The gunner fired a 20mm shell that ripped through the middle of the stretcher and killed Sgt Dew instantly.

Photos



Source of information: Peter Schouteten, Terry Hirsch, www.wwiimemorial.com, www.archives.gov - WWII Enlistment Record, www.ww2-airborne.us, www.ancestry.com - 1930 Census / WWII Bonus Case File

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