



## Personal info

Full name

**DOLAN, Russel Eugene**

Date of birth

**1923**

Age

**unknown**

Place of birth

**North Dakota**

Hometown

**Spokane, Spokane County, Washington**

## Military service

Service number

**39475057**

Rank

**Private**

Unit

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

Awards

**Purple Heart**

## Death & Grave

Status

**Killed in Action**

Date of death

**3 April 1945**

Cemetery

**American War Cemetery Margraten**

Plot	Row	Grave
D	6	27

## Immediate family

Members

**William L. Dolan (father)**

**Mary C. (Regan) Dolan (mother)**

**Olive J. Dolan (sister)**

**Jane Dolan (sister)**

**James L. Dolan (brother)**

## More information

Pvt Russel E. Dolan enlisted in Seattle, Washington on 5 June 1944.

According to his enlistment record he was born in 1923 but actually he was 17 years old when he was killed. He had been overseas only since January 1944.

Account on his death (quoted from "The Skymen" by Kirk B. Ross):

"The company moved out cautiously - it was almost impossible to see through the dense growth of trees. As they neared the battle area, F Company was pinned down by tree burst artillery, a couple of men were hit. Cuthbertson was stung by shrapnel on the sleeve where he wore his watch, but it didn't penetrate. However, Pvt Russel E. Dolan, a seventeen year old from Washington state who had been on point, was killed instantly."

## Photos



Source of information: Tom Verheijden, The Spokesman-Review - 19 April 1945, [www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com) - Family Tree, [http://www.ww2-airborne.us/units/513/513\\_honor.html](http://www.ww2-airborne.us/units/513/513_honor.html)

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