

## WORLD WAR II

World War II, which began in 1939 and ended in 1945, was the deadliest and most destructive war in history. Before the war, Germany, America, and the rest of the world were going through the Great Depression. The economy was very bad, unemployment was at an all-time high, and massive inflation caused money to lose its value. More than fifty nations in the world were fighting, with more than 100 million soldiers deployed. Countries like America and Britain were part of the Allied powers. Japan and Germany were part of the Axis powers.

### KILLED IN ACTION

	Name	Status	City of Residence	Branch	Service Number	Rank	Date of Report	Died or Buried	Reference
1	Ballard, Herman L.	KIA		AAF	O-928735	1LT	March 21, 1945	Ardennes American Cemetery	1, 4
2	Binkley, Wendell H.	KIA		Army	O-820274	1LT	1944	Italy	1
3	Bowen, William	KIA		Army	35875441	Pvt	November 30, 1944	Florence American Cemetery	1, 4
4	Brown, Bob H.	KIA	Cuba	Army		SGT	November 20, 1944	Germany	3
5	Brumfield, William D.	KIA		Army	O-704534	2LT	1944	Italy	1
6	Cline, Everett L.	KIA	Wilmington	Army	35787605	Pvt	June 30, 1944	France	1, 2, 3
7	Cole, George H.	KIA	Blanchester	Navy			November 1944	Buried at Sea	3
8	Constable, Richard A.	KIA		Army	O-1794784	1LT	1945	Manila	1
9	Cooper, Charles E.	KIA		Army	O-735278	1LT	1945		1
10	Davis, Leroy	KIA		Army	35130765	CPL	1943	Italy	1
11	Dwyer, Patrick J.	KIA	Sabina	Army	35130735	PFC	July 26, 1944	Normandy American Cemetery	1, 3, 4
12	Green, Robert M.	KIA		Army	15048757	PFC	April 19, 1945	Florence American Cemetery	1, 4
13	Hamilton, Harry K.	KIA		Army	35076304	Pvt			1
14	Hill, Wilbur L.	KIA		Army	35120015	SGT	1944	Pacific Operations	1
15	Howard, William H.	KIA	Wilmington	Army	15307576	CPL	September 18, 1944	Florence, Italy ABMC	1, 3, 4
16	Johnson, Luther D.	KIA	Blanchester	Army	35665254	SSG	July 4, 1944	Normandy American Cemetery	3, 4
17	Kelley, Harold H.	KIA		Army	35089606	PVT	1944	Luxembourg	1
18	Larrick, Stanley H.	KIA	Midland	Army	35417722	TSG	October 14, 1943	Schweinfurt, Germany	1,2

19	Lee, Fred O.	KIA	Wilmington	Army	35130755	PFC	May 29, 1944	Manila American Cemetery	1, 3, 4
20	Linkhart, William F.	KIA		Army	35616502	PVT	1945	Belgium	1
21	McCoppin, Charles L.	KIA		Army	35124220	SSG	1945	Luzon	1
22	Mechlin, Lloyd H.	KIA		Army	15011986	PFC	November 27, 1943	North Africa American Cemetery	1, 4
23	Myers, Edward H.	KIA		Army	35665249	SSG	May 15, 1945	Manila American Cemetery	1, 4
24	Perry, Charles C.	KIA			35883296	PFC			1
25	Rice, Robert F.	KIA	New Vienna	Army	O-1315101	2LT	November 11, 1944	France	1, 3
26	Ruhl, Jack	KIA	Wilmington	Army		PVT	June 25, 1944	France	3
27	Schmidt, Raymond E.	KIA		Army	35560664	PFC	January 29, 1945	Lorraine American Cemetery	1, 4
28	Seltzer, Jr., Walter H.	KIA	New Vienna	AF	O-814772	2LT	August 9, 1944	France	1, 3
29	Smallwood, Richard L.	KIA	New Vienna	Army	35665255	PFC	June 10, 1944	France	1, 3
30	Steele, Wayne M.	KIA	New Vienna	AAF	O-692348	2LT	April 21, 1944	Europe	1, 3
31	Veatch, Jr., F. M.	KIA	Wilmington	AAF		1LT	May 26, 1944	Italy	3
32	Williams, Kenneth L.	KIA	Wilmington	Army	35877374	PFC	September 27, 1944	Luxembourg	1, 3
33	Williams, Norman H.	KIA	Wilmington		0-798393	2LT	February 28, 1944	Manila American Cemetery	3, 4
34	Woodell, Emerson	KIA			35133104	SGT			1

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1	Adams, Virgil E.	DNB		Army	35617381	SGT	1944	France	1
2	Bilderback, Donald S.	DOW	Martinsville	Army	35124283	Tec5	September 20, 1944	Germany	1, 3
3	Drake, James L.	DOW	Melvin	Army	35614338	PFC	July 7, 1944	France	1, 3
4	Flischel, Robert E.	DOW		Army	35681367	Tec5	1944	South Pacific	1
5	Fox, Robert G.	DNB		Army	35622060	Tec5	1945		1
6	Goss, Donald R.	DOW		Army	35052469	PFC			1
7	Heeg, Carroll E.	DNB	Blanchester	Army	35867183	SGT	November 16, 1944	Soputa, New Guinea	1, 3
8	Lee, Eldon W.	DOW		Army	35873286	CPL	April 10, 1945	Netherlands American Cemetery	1, 4
9	Moshauer, Henry O.	DNB		Army	35804302	PFC	1945		1
10	Pierre, Charles R.	DOW		Army	35137501	TSG	January 8, 1945	Luxembourg American Cemetery	1, 4
11	Thompson, Walter A.	DOW	Wilmington	Army	35665347	SGT	July 26, 1944	France	1, 3
12	Turvey, Charles W.	DNB			O-682921	2LT			1
13	Vandervort, Dale S.	DNB	Wilmington	Army	35622004	Tec-5	April 11, 1945	Burma	1,2
14	Watters, James E.	DOW	Wilmington	Army	20508557	SGT	February 10, 1943	Fiji Isles	1,2
15	Wiget, Raymon J.	FOD		AAF	15340070	SGT	January 21, 1945	Sicily-Rome American Cemetery	1, 4
16	Williamson, Eugene	DNB			35621982	Pvt			1
17	Wisecup, William N.	DNB			20508501	Pvt			1
18	Yarger, Clarence W.	DNB			35612757	Pvt			1

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