



**Charles
Gibbons**

Army

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Jun 6, 1908 -

BIRTHPLACE: Worcester, Massachusetts

SOLDIER DETAILS

HIGHEST RANK: Lieutenant Colonel

DIVISION: Army, 9th Armored Division

THEATER OF OPERATION: European

**HONORED BY: Michael W., Charles W., Deborah
Gibbons**

BIOGRAPHY

Was enlisted for 14 years prior to WWII. Served in horse-drawn artillery -- 5 years at Presidio of Monterey 1929-34, 5 years at Scofield Barracks T.H. 1934-1939 (11th F.A.). Was stationed at Ft. D.A. Russell 1939-41 (77th F.A.) Member of OCS class #1 at Ft. Sill OK in the summer of 1941. Stayed at OCS as Cadre member until 1943. Rejoined 77th in '43 as it became a unit of the 9th Armored Division. Sent into the line as a Captain in Belgium in November 1944 as FAO. Position overrun early on the morning of Dec. 16th. Managed to evade capture, with two others, for three days. Captured early morning on the 19th. POW camp liberated in late April 1945. Assigned to Ryukus Cmd. Okinawa 1950-53. Pentagon 1953-55. Served with JAMMAT (Joint American Mission for Aid to Turkey) at Ankara Turkey 1955-57. Retired as Lt. Colonel in August of 1957.