

Stanley Levinski

Aug 23, 1918 - Nov 6, 1987

BIRTHPLACE: East St. Louis, IL

SOLDIER DETAILS

HIGHEST RANK: TEC 5

DIVISION: Army, 5th Armored Div., Co. B, 34 Tank

Battalion

THEATER OF OPERATION: European

SERVED: Mar 30, 1937 - Oct 19, 1945

HONORED BY: George J. Green

BIOGRAPHY

Stanley was from East S. Louis, IL. He enlisted in the U.S. Army on 30 Mar 1937 for a period of three years and was honorabley discharged 19 Mar, 1940. We have little information on his first enlistment. With the world conditions as it was, he figured he might as well re-enlist since he was single and could expect to be drafted. He entered the U.S. Army again on 16 May 1940 at Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis, MO. He has died and we do not have his discharge and only have what I remember him telling me along with a copy of a newspaper article I have. He was a Technical Sergeant and an Assistant Driver of a Sherman tank in the battles of France and Germany with the 5th Armored Division. He landed in Normandy on D+6 from a LST. The first battle was the break through at Argentan, France, and went on to the German surrender. He received the Silver Star for saving the life of one of his crew members who had his hands shot off. Stanley was discharged the second time at Fort Sheridan, IL on 19 Oct 1945. His experiences with the 5th Armored Division are described very well in Sergeant Leonard Baer's story. I can only assume his awards, in addition to the Silver Star, were very much the same as Leonard Baer.