

Wallace Strobel

Jun 28, 1922 - Aug 28, 1999 BIRTHPLACE: Saginaw, Michigan

SOLDIER DETAILS

DIVISION: Army, 101st Airborne THEATER OF OPERATION: European SERVED: Sep 1, 1940 -HONORED BY: Josephine Strobel and family

BIOGRAPHY

Wallace Strobel was born on June 5, 1922 and grew up in Saginaw, Michigan; the son of Carl and Elizabeth Strobel. After graduation from Arthur Hill High School, Wallace enlisted in the National Guard and consequently the United States Army. He served as a first lieutenant in the 'Screaming Eagles', the 101st Airborne Division. Lt. Strobel also served as company liaison during the invasion of Holland, parachuting into France in the early morning hours of D-Day and later serving in Bastogne, Belgium, during The Battle of the Bulge. He returned to Saginaw at the end of the war and founded, with his brother, the Carl-Wal Market. He married Josephine Grant in 1946. She survives him. He became president of Central Warehouse Company in 1947, a position he held until 1999. Mr. Strobel was a founder and served on the Board of Directors of the First State Bank of Saginaw. He served as county chairman of the Republican party and had a lifelong interest in politics. Wallace Strobel was for many years a civilian participant of The Naval War College and The Army War College. Wallace Strobel is survived by his wife, Josephine and his three children, Susan S. Waters of Ellicott City, MD; Sarah S. King of Saginaw, MI; and John F. Strobel of Westport, Conn; and six grandchildren. The picture displayed shows General Eisenhower talking to the troops before D-Day. Lt. Strobel is in the center of the picture next to General Eisenhower.