



Edmund "Eddie" Sternot

SOLDIER DETAILS

HIGHEST RANK: Sargent

DIVISION: Army Air Corps, 327th Infantry
Regiment 101st Airborne

THEATER OF OPERATION: European

BATTLE: Battle of the Bulge

MILITARY HONORS: The Silver Star Bronze Star
Purple Heart

HONORED BY: The Eisenhower Foundation

KILLED IN ACTION

BIOGRAPHY

Staff Sgt. Edmund "Eddie" Sternot was in the 101st Airborne , 327th Infantry Division. He fought in the Battle of the Bulge on January 4, 1945 in the Ardennes Forrest. Sternot's unit set up a perimeter defense around Bastogne and was prepared to defend against the many German counterattacks. On that heroic day in January, Sternot's unit was hit by a series of strong attacks by the German army leaving his unit isolated and alone. Sternot bravely led his machine gun section from several different positions to beat back the German attacks leaving 60 enemy dead in front of his machine gun station. On January 13, 1945 Eddie courageously exposed himself to enemy fire to throw a hand grenade and was killed in action by a German tank round before he could ever receive the award. In November 2019, he was awarded the Silver Star posthumously.