

## **Stanley Buzard**

Aug 26, 1926 - May 29, 2022 BIRTHPLACE: Rimersburg

## SOLDIER DETAILS

HIGHEST RANK: PFC

DIVISION: Army

**THEATER OF OPERATION: Pacific** 

HONORED BY: The Eisenhower Foundation

## BIOGRAPHY

Mr. Buzard was a graduate of Rimersburg High School. In 1944, Stan left to serve his country in World War II from Erie's Union Station. He served in the Pacific Theater with the U.S. Army Infantry (PFC). He spoke with both humility and pride to be a part of the 25th Tropic Lightning Division where he fought in the Battle of Luzon in the jungles of the Philippine Islands, before being discharged in 1946. He was awarded the Bronze Star, the Combat Infantry Badge, Good Conduct Medal, Army Occupation Medal (Japan), Asiatic Pacific Theater Ribbon, Philippine Liberation Ribbon (with Bronze Star), and the WWII Ribbon. He spent a year and a half immediately following World War II in Japan Occupation Duty. After VJ Day, he was proud to tell the story of how he met General Dwight D. Eisenhower and shook hands with him