

Alex Urso

Oct 27, 1919 - Jul 6, 2003

BIRTHPLACE: East Harlem, New York City, New York

SOLDIER DETAILS

HIGHEST RANK: PFC

DIVISION: Army, 44th Armored Infantry Battalion

THEATER OF OPERATION: European

SERVED: May 18, 1944 - Nov 30, 1945

BATTLE: Bulge (Ardennes), Rhineland, Central

Europe

MILITARY HONORS: EAMETO MEDAL WORLD

WAR II VICTORY MEDAL

HONORED BY: Jack A. Leone(Grandson)

BIOGRAPHY

My grandfather Alex Joseph Urso (1919-2003) was a PFC sharpshooter in the 44th Armored Infantry Division of the 6th Armored in General Patton's Third Army. He was in the Ardennes (Bulge), Rhineland, and Central Europe. He made it home alive and went back to his trade as a furniture maker and did master craftsman work. He worked with gold leafing and was good at upholstery. He was born in East Harlem, NY where he got married around 1940 and raised five children (my mother is one of them) moved to Commack on Long Island in June 1959 and lived in a new house for only \$16,000 on Cameo Road. We went over there many times and slept over and had good times and they stayed with us a lot. He was stricken with an aggressive type of dementia. He was a gentle man, a hard worker, played the mandolin, guitar, violin, banjo, and xylophone and liked Perry Como. He was devoted to his family and easy to be around. He shared many stories about the war and I have his separation papers. He was a great man from The Greatest Generation.??