



**Kenneth  
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*Army*

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Jan 16, 1923 - Nov 21, 2011

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### **SOLDIER DETAILS**

**DIVISION:** Army

**THEATER OF OPERATION:** Other

**SERVED:** 1943 -

**HONORED BY:** The Eisenhower Foundation

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### **BIOGRAPHY**

Kenneth Carl Erich was born to Carl G. and Hannah Rothe Erich in Abilene, Kansas in 1923. His father worked for the Santa Fe Railroad and was a renowned whittler, who made intricate replicas of antique firearms out of pine boards. Erich's draft registration card indicates he worked at the Reflector-Chronicle. He entered the Army in February of 1943 and immediately contracted scarlet fever. After being in quarantine or in the hospital for a month, he was sent to California, where he had to enter quarantine again due to spinal meningitis exposure. No other information about his service is available electronically. He married Ruth Gertrude Erich. They lived their lives in Abilene. They had one son, Ronald Lewis Erich, who served in the Navy with rank of STS2, but passed away when he was 24 in 1969. Courtesy fold3.com, newspapers.com, findagrave.com