

Marvin Ledy

Jul 4, 1923 - Dec 29, 2022 BIRTHPLACE: Upland, CA

SOLDIER DETAILS

HIGHEST RANK: T-5 Corporal DIVISION: Army, 738th Tank Battalion THEATER OF OPERATION: European SERVED: Mar 4, 1943 - Nov 5, 1945 HONORED BY: Wife Lois Ledy and Family

BIOGRAPHY

In December, 1941, Marvin Ledy was a high school student in Miltonvale, Kansas when Pearl Harbor was bombed. He was in the first group of nineteen-year-olds to be drafted from Dickinson County, Kansas. He served our country as a part of the 738th Tank Battalion, from February 1943 until November 1945. Before Marvin was sent for training in Fort Benning, Georgia, he went on a blind date with a beautiful young lady by the name of Lois Hahn (his future wife), to the Plaza Theater in Abilene. They were married in 1944, before Marvin shipped out to Europe. Marvin participated in the Battle of the Bulge, and during this time Lois did not hear from him for six weeks. Marvin was awarded 3 Bronze Stars for Rhineland, Ardennes, Central Europe Campaigns per WDGO 33 & 40, 1945, and the Good Conduct Medal. Marvin and Lois made their home in the Abilene, Kansas, community.