

Fields of Honor Memorial

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Personal info

Full name

GOURLAY, John

Date of birth

9 January 1917

Age

27

Place of birth

Stevenston, North Ayrshire, Scotland

Hometown

Niagara County, New York

Military service

Service number

32029947

Rank

Staff Sergeant

Unit

**39th Infantry Regiment,
9th Infantry Division**

Awards

Purple Heart with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

11 October 1944

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Henri-Chapelle

Plot	Row	Grave
A	12	36

Immediate family

Members

William Gourlay (father)

Margaret C. (Anderson) Gourlay (mother)

Sarah Gourlay (sister)

William Gourlay (brother)

Margaret Gourlay (sister)

Mary Gourlay (sister)

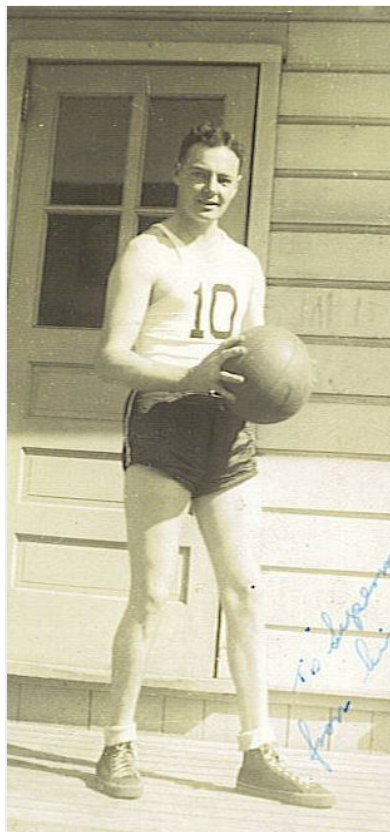
More information

S/Sgt John Gourlay attended Niagara Falls High School.

He enlisted in Buffalo, New York on 16 January 1941.

On one picture, S/Sgt Gourlay receives his first Purple Heart in North Africa.

Photos



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