



### Personal info

Full name

**MAZZA, Nicholas Louis**

Date of birth

**10 October 1924**

Age

**20**

Place of birth

**Long Branch, Monmouth County, New Jersey**

Hometown

**Monmouth County, New Jersey**

## Military service

Service number

**32929097**

Rank

**Private First Class**

Unit

**16th Infantry Regiment,  
1st Infantry Division**

Awards

**Silver Star,  
Purple Heart**

## Death & Grave

Status

**Killed in Action**

Date of death

**24 March 1945**

Cemetery

**American War Cemetery Henri-Chapelle**

Plot	Row	Grave
D	11	38

## Immediate family

Members

**Anselmo Mazza (father)**

**Jennie Mazza (mother)**

**Rose Mazza (sister)**

**Arthur Mazza (brother)**

## More information

Nicholas L. Mazza worked in a textile factory before he enlisted in Newark, New Jersey on 22 June 1943.

He was awarded the Silver Star Medal posthumously. The citation cited: During the heavy fighting for the town Geisbach, Germany, Sgt Mazza distinguished himself by his heroism, aggressiveness and self-sacrifice. In an attempt to locate enemy self-propelled guns hidden about the town, he fearlessly exposed himself to enemy fire and succeeded in knocking out two armored Panzer jagers before he was wounded. Completely disregarding these severe wounds, he took charge of guarding a group of prisoners and, although subjected to heavy artillery fire falling on the town from both sides, he remained at his duty. Sgt Mazza was killed in this action.

## Photos

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