

Fields of Honor Memorial

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Personal info

Full name

PATTERSON, Nemo Jackson

Date of birth

8 February 1922

Age

22

Place of birth

Tarrant County, Texas

Hometown

Arkansas

Military service

Service number

38669790

Rank

Private

Unit

**C Company,
1st Battalion,
345th Infantry Regiment,
87th Infantry Division**

Awards

Purple Heart

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

31 January 1945

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Henri-Chapelle

Plot	Row	Grave
F	13	47

Immediate family

Members

William Patterson (father)

Glen Patterson (brother)

Nova L. (Barnett) Patterson (wife)

Shirley Patterson (daughter)

Edna Patterson (daughter)

More information

Pvt Nemo J. Patterson enlisted at Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Little Rock, Arkansas on 10 June 1944.
He worked on a farm before he enlisted.

Below is the content of the letter his commanding officer, Capt. Richard G. Wise wrote to his wife on 1 September 1945:
"My Dear Mrs. Patterson. Mingled emotions in my heart make it difficult to express the deep sorrow I feel for the loss of your husband, my friend, and my great pride for having been privileged to know him. One of the finest men in this organization, he was loved and respected by all of his associates, and it may give you some comfort to know that he has a particularly outstanding record. Your husband, Pvt. Nemo J. Patterson 38 669 790 was killed in action 31 January 1945 near, Heuem, Belgium. On this day, Nemo was leading a patrol on a Mission with a few other volunteers to penetrate the Siegfried Line and capture prisoners. The patrol departed, and penetrated enemy lines, but encountered a minefield and enemy machine gun fire. Nemo was hit by machine gun fire and killed instantly. He was buried in U. S. Military Cemetery No. 1, Foy Belgium with services conducted by a Protestant Chaplain. He performed his duty splendidly and was loved and admired by all who knew him. He gave his life in battle in the service of his country. Words cannot lighten our sorrow but we are all inspired by his record. With deepest sympathy, I remain Sincerely, Richard G. Wise, Capt. Inf. Commanding."

Photos



Source of information: Leo Minne, Terry Hirsch, www.abmc.gov, www.archives.com - WWII Enlistment Record, www.ancestry.com - 1930/1940 Census / Headstone and Interment Record / Arkansas First Draft Registration Cards, 345th History

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