



## Personal info

Full name

**WILBURN, William Russell Saunders**

Date of birth

**11 June 1917**

Age

**27**

Place of birth

**Columbus, Lowndes County,  
Mississippi**

Hometown

**Lowndes County, Mississippi**

## Military service

Service number

**O1284069**

Rank

**Captain**

Unit

**HQ Company,  
3rd Battalion,  
346th Infantry Regiment,  
87th Infantry Division**

Awards

**Silver Star,  
Bronze Star,  
Purple Heart**

## Death & Grave

Status

**Killed in Action**

Date of death

**4 March 1945**

Cemetery

**American War Cemetery Henri-Chapelle**

Plot	Row	Grave
H	11	46

## Immediate family

Members

**William R. S. Wilburn (father)**

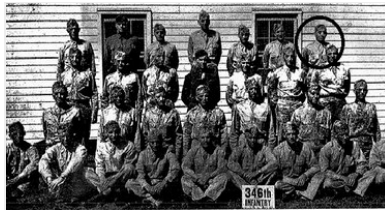
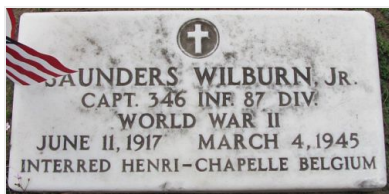
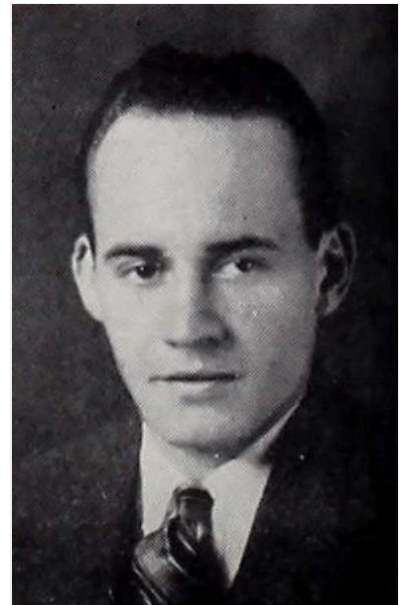
**Chas S. Wilburn (brother)**

## More information

Capt William R. S. Wilburn was a financial institution clerk enlisted as an aviation cadet in the Air Corps in Jackson, Mississippi on 29 July 1940. He re-enlisted in the Regular Army at Camp Shelby, Mississippi on 19 June 1941.

He is remembered at Friendship Cemetery, Columbus, Lowndes County, Mississippi.

## Photos



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