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Personal info

Full name

MORNEWECK, Robert E

Date of birth Age Place of birth
12 November 1925
19 Michigan

Hometown

Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan

Military service

Service number

36956700

Rank

Private First Class

Unit

A Company, 1st Battalion,

506th Parachute Infantry Regiment,

101st Airborne Division

Awards

Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

12 April 1945

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Margraten

Plot	Row	Grave
E	20	17

Immediate family

Members

Weston Morneweck (father)

Augusta (Brandenburg) Morneweck (mother)

Emmet H. Morneweck (brother)

Dorothy M. Morneweck (sister)

Evelyn L. Morneweck (sister)

Virginia Morneweck (sister)

Leroy Morneweck (brother)

Arthur Morneweck (brother)

More information

Pfc Robert E. Morneweck attended Northwesten High School in Detroit where he enrolled into the R.O.T.C. program.

He was reported wounded in action during the defense of Bastogne. For this wound he was awarded the Purple Heart Medal a first time. When the wounds had healed, he went back to his unit on the frontline.

He was killed in action April 1945 on a night mission at the Rhine river. The action in which Robert was killed is described in 'Rendezvouz With Destiny, the history of the 101st Airborne Division'.

A soldier who was with him when he died stated that the reason he lost his life was that he was loaded with extra ammunition and grenades.

Photos





