

Fields of Honor Memorial

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Personal info

Full name

VERMILLION, William Harold "Bill"

Date of birth

15 February 1923

Age

21

Place of birth

Oelwein, Fayette County, Iowa

Hometown

Oelwein, Fayette County, Iowa

Military service

Service number

37665372

Rank

Private

Unit

**F Company,
2nd Battalion,
180th Infantry Regiment,
45th Infantry Division**

Awards

Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster

Death & Grave

Status

Died of Wounds

Date of death

8 October 1944

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Epinal

Plot	Row	Grave
A	35	52

Immediate family

Members

Charles M. Vermillion (father)

Alta M. (Robertson) Vermillion (mother)

Evelyn Vermillion (sister)

Harry Vermillion (brother)

Donald Vermillion (brother)

Esther Vermillion (sister)

Fred A. Vermillion (brother)

More information

Pvt William H. Vermillion enlisted at Camp Dodge Herrold, Iowa on 13 March 1943.

He was captured in the battle for Hill 422 three quarters of a mile southeast of Fremifontaine against the German 111th Panzer Grenadiers of the 11th Panzer Division.

He was taken prisoner of war and died of his injuries in Germany. Whether he died in a POW camp or in a hospital is not known.

His brother, PFC Fred A. Vermillion, was also killed during the war and is interred next to him.

Photos



