

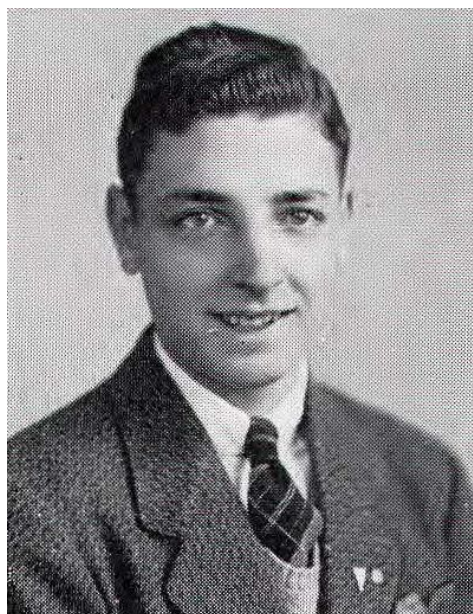
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### Personal info

Full name

**BEDNAR, William Lawrence**

Date of birth

**6 December 1923**

Age

**21**

Place of birth

**Streator, LaSalle County, Illinois**

Hometown

**Lake County, Indiana**

### Military service

Service number

**35147579**

Rank

**Private First Class**

Unit

**26th Infantry Regiment,  
1st Infantry Division**

Awards

**Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster**

### Death & Grave

Status

**Killed in Action**

Date of death

**21 March 1945**

Cemetery

**American War Cemetery Henri-Chapelle**

Plot	Row	Grave
F	7	60

## Immediate family

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### Members

**John R. Bednar (father)**

**Catherine A. (Fellner) Bednar (mother)**

**Marcella B. Bednar (sister)**

**Cecelia F. Bednar (sister)**

**Elmer C. Bednar (brother)**

**John Bednar (brother)**

## More information

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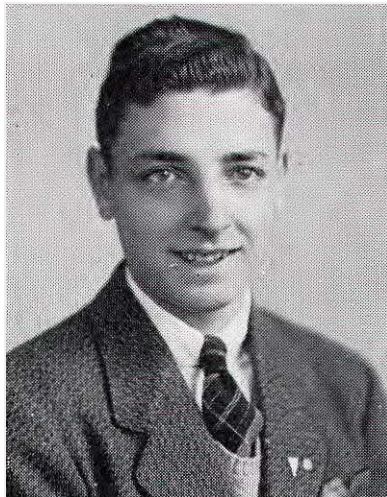
Pfc William Bednar graduated from Whiting High School.

He enlisted in Indianapolis, Indiana on 13 July 1943 and trained with the infantry at Camp Wheeler in Georgia and in Louisville Kentucky. He was sent into combat in September of 1944.

Pfc Bednar had previously been wounded in the Hürtgen Forest in November 1944 and returned to combat after his release from a base hospital.

## Photos

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