



Personal info

Full name

BYRNES, Robert L

Date of birth

16 August 1918

Age

26

Place of birth

Bay Mills, Chippewa County, Michigan

Hometown

Presque Isle, Presque Isle County, Michigan

Military service

Service number

16059041

Rank

Technical Sergeant

Unit

**HQ & HQ Company,
507th Parachute Infantry Regiment,
17th Airborne Division**

Awards

**Bronze Star,
Purple Heart**

Death & Grave

Status

Killed in Action

Date of death

24 March 1945

Cemetery

American War Cemetery Margraten

Plot	Row	Grave
J	13	10

Immediate family

Members

Elmer C. Byrnes (father)
Julia G. (Calverley) Byrnes (mother)
Elizabeth C. Byrnes (sister)
Elmer W. Byrnes (brother)
Frances J. Byrnes (sister)
Ralph E. Byrnes (brother)
John P. Byrnes (brother)

More information

T/Sgt Robert L. Byrnes attended college and worked as a Pre-School Teacher.

He enlisted at Fort Brady, Michigan on 8 August 1939.

T/Sgt Robert L. Byrnes was aboard a C-47 that lost its way in a smokescreen, which lead to his company being dropped on the western edge of the Diersfordt Forest.

Photos



Source of information: FOHF, www.wwiimemorial.com, www.fold3.com, www.ww2-airborne.us, www.ancestry.com - 1920/1940 Census / Headstone and Interment Record / WWII Draft Card
Registration Cards / Family Trees, www.nara.gov - WWII Enlistment Records, 17th Airborne Division Historical Report of Operation Varsity, Book: The Last Drop, Operation Varsity March 24-25, 1945 by Stephen L. Wright

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