

T/SGT ZACK T. SIGLER, JR. - (KIA)

409th, D-Company



Born on September 9, 1922, Zack joined the service from Claflin, Kansas in December, 1942. He completed basic training at Camp Claiborne, LA in April, 1943 and was assigned to 409th, D-Company, 1st Platoon of the .30 cal water-cooled machine gunners. Received promotion to CPL in July and then to Sgt in September. Transferred with unit to Camp Howze in November, 1943. Zack was promoted to Staff Sgt in April, 1944 and given responsibility for the 2nd Section of the 1st Platoon. Left Camp Howze, by train, on September 21st and deployed on the USS Monticello from Camp Shanks, NY.

Zack was promoted to T/Sgt on November 24th for “The efficient and calm manner in which he discharged his duties in a recent tragedy at the staging area.” Now as the 1st platoon Sgt., he was ordered to take the 1st platoon into the houses on the northern outskirts of Selestat on December 1st in support of B Company. He was wounded in the ensuing German counterattack and succumbed to his wounds on the Giessen Riverbank in the early morning hours of December 2nd, 1944. He was 22 years of age. Zack rests in honor at Lorraine American Cemetery in St. Avold, France.