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1 LT Sol Bauer

Class 30-42

ID: 01169857

Branch of Service: U.S. Army Hometown: Essex County, NJ Status: KIA 16 Mar 1945



Served with the 344th Field Artillery. Shot down and died serving as an Air Observer.

SILVER STAR



The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress July 9, 1918, takes pleasure in presenting the Silver Star to Second Lieutenant (Field Artillery) Sol Bauer (ASN: 0-1169857), United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy while serving with the 90th Infantry Division in Northern France. On 6 July 1944, in the vicinity of ****, France, when a large force of German paratroopers delivered a counterattack, Lieutenant Bauer, disregarding his own personal safety and under heavy enemy fire in an exposed OP, adjusted and delivered such a volume of fire against the enemy that the attack was completely broken up and the attacking force completely dispersed. On 11 July 1944, when our troops were receiving heavy casualties near ****, France, Lieutenant Bauer being unable to locate a satisfactory OP in a concealed position, worked out into the open ground and remained in an exposed position under enemy fire for two hours despite the fact that many casualties were being suffered in his vicinity and members of his party became casualties. He remained in this OP adjusting fire on the enemy until he had accomplished his mission. These gallant acts were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

General Orders: Headquarters, 90th Infantry Division, General Orders No. 63 (September 15, 1944)

Buried in Mount Lebanon Cemetery, Islen, New Jersey