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**2 LT John S. Colman  
Class 49-43**

**ID: O1176585**

**Branch of Service: U.S. Army  
Hometown: Dutchess County, NY  
Status: DNB 5 Feb 1945**



**He was captured on December 21, 1944 and died while a Prisoner of War in Germany.  
Served with the 590th Field Artillery Battalion 106th Division**



*Buried in Pawling Cemetery, Pawling, New York*

## LT. JOHN STARK COLMAN

Lt. John Stark Colman, who was born Sept. 21, 1909, died Feb. 5, 1945 of pneumonia in a German prisoner-of-war camp at Hammelburg, Germany.

In his youth he attended Pawling school. He was graduated from Westminster School, Simsbury, Conn., in 1928, where he was active in sports and was captain of the basketball team. In 1932, he graduated from Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn. He was a member of the Alpha Chi Rho Fraternity. Before entering service he was a trader at Vilas and Hickey, a bond brokerage firm at 49 Wall St. New York City.

Lt. Colman entered the army in April 1941 and was assigned to the 134th Medical Regiment at Fort Bragg, N. C. In 1942 he entered officers training school in Field Artillery at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and after graduation was sent to Fort Jackson, S. C., as an instructor and later was stationed at Camp Atterbury, Ind., where he also instructed.

In November 1944 he was sent overseas as forward officer of the 590th Field Artillery Battalion which was assigned to the 106th Division. It was the Golden Lions division, which aided greatly in turning the tide in the Bulge during the terrific fighting in the Ardennes in December. On Dec. 21 he was captured along with many of the division and sent to a prison camp at Bad Orb, later he was transferred to a prison camp for officers at Hammelburg.

He was the son of Mrs. John D. Colman and the late Mr. Colman and brother of Mrs. Albert Pross of Scarsdale.

Hasler-Hamp Post 215 American Legion had charge of the military service. Burial was under the direction of Errol Hufcut of Dover Plains, assisted by John Horn, Pawling. Burial was in the Pawling cemetery.