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2LT William F. Gaylord

Class 63-43

ID: O1181606

Branch of Service: U.S. Army

Hometown: Linn County, OR

Status: KIA June 17, 1945



Killed in action in Luzon, the Philippines

Silver Star



(Citation Needed): William F. Gaylord, United States Army, is reported to have been awarded the Silver Star under the below-listed General Orders for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action against the enemy while serving with the 37th Infantry Division during World War II.

General Orders: Headquarters, 37th Infantry Division, General Orders No. 295 (1945)

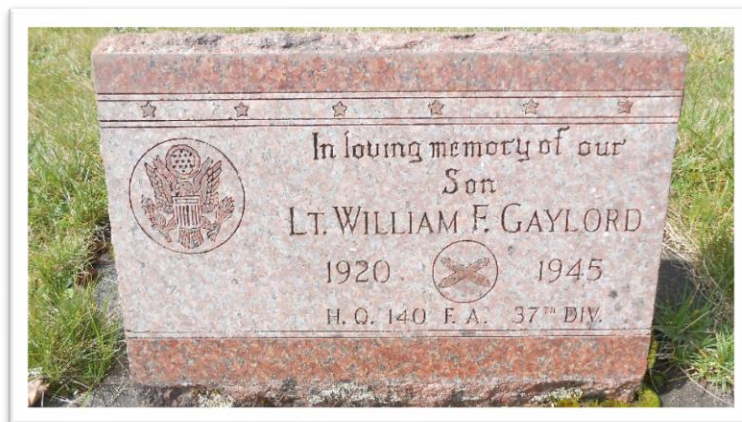
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Lt. Gaylord, 23, a native of this area, joined the service the last part of September, 1942, and had been overseas 24 months, serving in several engagements with a field artillery unit. His last letter, posted the date of his death, was written June 12 and stated he was on Luzon.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Gaylord, he was born Nov. 24, 1921, at Waterloo where his parents had moved from Stevens county, Wash., the fall before. Now of Lacombe, they were informed of his death this Tuesday morning.

Lt. Gaylord attended the Lacombe school through the eight grades and is a graduate of Lebanon high school, where he was a Future Farmer and a football letterman. Before joining the service he assisted his father on his berry farm and logged. He was secretary of the International Woodworkers union, local 2-251 at time of enlistment. He received his basic training at Camp Roberts, Calif., and was commissioned after attending officers' candidate school at Fort Sill, Okla.

Survivors are his parents; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Mills of star route 1, Lebanon, and Ada Gaylord, Aberdeen, Wash.; grandmothers, Mrs. Mary Gaylord, Lebanon, and Mrs. Mary Carter, Rice, Stevens county, Wash.



Buried in IOOF Cemetery, Lebanon, Oregon