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2 LT John A. Larkin, Jr. Class 83-43

ID: 0-528792 Branch of Service: U.S. Army Hometown: New York, New York Status: KIA April 10, 1945



Killed in action serving with Battery C, 898th Field Artillery Battalion, 75th Infantry Division. Lieutenant Larkin was in position on the edge of a German town directing artillery fire on enemy targets in spite of taking heavy fire in return. He directed increasingly accurate artillery placement on the enemy positions. He was later killed by a hidden enemy machine gun nest. For his valiant action he was awarded the Silver Star.



(Citation Needed): John A. Larkin, 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 75th Infantry Division during World War II.

General Orders: Headquarters, 75th Infantry Division, General Orders No. 156 (1945)

Princeton University Endowed Undergraduate Scholarship:

Lieutenant John A. Larkin Jr. Memorial Scholarship was founded in 1945 by Mr. and Mrs. John A. Larkin as a memorial to their son, John Adrian Larkin Jr., Class of 1944, who was killed in action in Germany, 10 April 1945.



Buried in Arlington National Cemetery Plot: Section 11, Site 330SH