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**2 LT Patrick E. Murphy**  
**Class 61-43**

**ID: 01181051**

**Branch of Service: U.S. Army**  
**Hometown: Stearns County, MN**  
**Status: KIA Feb 2, 1945**



**Killed in action serving with the 613th Field Artillery Battalion. At the time of his death, 2nd LT Murphy was in, what was then called Burma (now known as Myanmar).**

**From the published history of the 613th Field Artillery Battalion:**

"On 25 January the battalion command post was moved from one mile due north of Nawhkam to a new location to the north. In this new position fire was delivered for the rest of the campaign. Though at times shells dropped near the new area, no hits were made in battery positions and the only casualties suffered were in front line positions. During our stay in this position we supported much ground movement including the attack by the 2nd Squadron. It was during this attack that we fired the record 850 rounds in a short period. Our fire aided considerably in helping the Cavalry reach their objectives. This was real shooting, or so considered by the men.

"In the big attack by the 2nd Squadron on 2 February, Lt. Patrick E. Murphy and Corporal Charles B. Hooper, his radio operator, lost their lives as a result of wounds received. It was also on this day that Lt. Leo C. Tynan distinguished himself with "F" Troop. Lt. Tynan later received the Silver Star award from General Dan Sultan.

"In the closing days of the campaign, for the attack on 2 February broke the back of the Japanese resistance."



**Lt. Patrick Murphy**



*Buried in Assumption Cemetery, Saint Cloud, Minnesota*