

## AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION

THE WORLD WAR II HONOR ROLL

## Kenneth R. Thompson 57-43

## Second Lieutenant, U.S. Army

Service # 1179648

Ship's Complement San Francisco Port of Embark

Entered the Service from: Oregon Died: 28-Dec-1944 Missing in Action or Buried at Sea Tablets of the Missing at Manila American Cemetery Manila, Philippines

**Awards: Purple Heart** 

(NOT VERIFIED): There is a possibility that 2LT Kenneth R. Thompson was on the SS John Burke on December 28, 1944. The ship was transporting ammunition to Mindoro, Philippines; the *Burke* was hit by a Japanese kamikaze aircraft, and disintegrated in a tremendous explosion. *John Burke* was one of three Liberty Ships and one of forty-seven ships sunk by kamikaze attack during World War II.