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THE WORLD WAR II HONOR ROLL

August Van Cortlandt 89-43

First Lieutenant, U.S. Army

Service # O-535634

420th Field Artillery Battalion 10th Armored Division

Entered the Service from: New York Died: 22-Apr-1945 Buried at: Plot G Row 6 Grave 30 Lorraine American Cemetery St. Avold, France

Awards: Silver Star with Oak Leaf Cluster, Bronze Star, Purple Heart

Silver Star w/Oak Leaf Cluster



1st Award (Citation Needed):

General Orders: Headquarters, 10th Armored Division, General Orders No. 29 (1944)

2nd Award (Oak Leaf Cluster) Citation:

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress July 9, 1918, takes pride in presenting the Silver Star (Posthumously) to First Lieutenant (Field Artillery) Augustus Van Cortlandt (ASN: 0-535634), United States Army, for gallantry in action while serving with Battery B, 420th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 10th Armored Division, at Nauburn, Germany, on 22 April 1945. Although mortally wounded during the action, First Lieutenant Van Cortlandt, artillery forward observer, courageously continued directing effective fire upon counterattacking hostile forces, repelling them with heavy losses. His supreme devotion to duty reflects the highest credit upon himself and the artillery forces of the United States.

General Orders: Headquarters, 10th Armored Division, General Orders No. 193 (July 19, 1945)