



Henry Lueck

Jan 18, 1913 - Aug 13, 1976

BIRTHPLACE: Holton, KS

SOLDIER DETAILS

DIVISION: Army, Co. B, 103rd Inf., 43rd Division

THEATER OF OPERATION: Pacific

SERVED: Dec 26, 1941 - Sep 30, 1945

HONORED BY: Alice Lueck

BIOGRAPHY

Henry Longley Lueck was born in Holton, Kansas, on January 18, 1913. He graduated from Netawaka High School in 1930 and attended the University of Kansas for 2 years. At 19, he became a grain dealer in Netawaka and worked there until 1941. On December 26, 1941, he enlisted in the United States Army at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas and became a member of the Infantry. He served at Camp Roberts, California as a Technical Sergeant until he was moved to the South Pacific, where he joined the 43rd Division, 103rd Infantry, Company B. He fought there until the end of World War II. He was twice wounded and received the Purple Heart. One bullet remained in his left lung until his death. He was honorably discharged from the Army on September 30, 1945. Henry returned to Netawaka and resumed management of his grain business; managing this business until he retired in September of 1974. He served as president of the Kansas Grain and Feed Dealers and on the Board of Directors of the National Grain Association. Henry was active in the Kansas Democratic Party and in 1975 he was elected State Chairman of the Kansas Democratic Party; a position he held until he died of lung cancer on August 13, 1976. He was buried at Netawaka, Kansas. Survivors include his wife, Alice, of Abilene, Kansas and a sister, Pauline Snodgrass, of Clay Center, Kansas.