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## **GLENN WAYNE EIDSON**

United States Army
Technician Fifth Grade (T-5)
December 6, 1941 – December 8, 1946
Wounded in Action



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Glenn Wayne Eidson was born in Camden County, Missouri, on March 13, 1918, to John Robert and Francis Fisher Eidson.

Glenn was inducted into the Army on December 5, 1941. He went to Jefferson Barracks for a short training period then on to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and then proceeded to the European Theater. His rank was a Technician Grade Five (T5) in Company G, 41<sup>st</sup> Armored Infantry, 2<sup>nd</sup> Armored Division. Glenn's company was an infantry company within an armored division, primarily responsible for fighting on foot alongside the tanks and providing close-range support on the battlefield. The division played important roles during World War II in the invasions of Germany, North Africa, and Sicily; and in the liberation of France, Belgium, and the Netherlands.

Glenn was serving in North Africa when he was wounded in

the shoulder and upper arm. He was returned to Stark General Hospital in Charleston, South Carolina, on the U.S. Hospital Ship John Meany for treatment and went to another Army Hospital for definitive treatment. He was discharged on December 8, 1946, and returned to Camden County, Missouri. He was awarded the ETO-European Theater including the North Africa and Middle East Medal, the Pre-Pearl Harbor Medal, and the Purple Heart medal.

Glenn later married Phyliss Leap and they had three sons and a daughter. Glenn found Christ in a pup tent in North Africa in 1944 and went on to become a Baptist Minister in Camden County, Missouri, serving several churches. Glenn was disabled his entire life from this wound and died with the shrapnel still in his arm. He died on January 8, 2002, in Osage Beach, Missouri.