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**GEORGE FRANKLIN HOWARD** 

UNITED STATES ARMY STAFF SERGEANT (E-6) 1942 – 1942 WOUNDED IN ACTION - 1942



## PURPLE HEART PATRIOT

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George Franklin Howard was born in Chilhowee, Missouri, on May 3, 1920, to George Frederick Howard and Edna Beatrice Carder. George attended Pleasant Valley School near Warrensburg, Missouri. Later, as a young man, he worked for his Uncle in the "Carder Body Shop" as a welder in Warrensburg, Missouri.

George enlisted in the Army in 1942 and was sent overseas to France and Germany. George fought for a short time in the "Battle of the Bulge". He was injured twice while in Germany and received two Purple Hearts while in the war. His first serious injury was while he ordered his men to stop from crossing a dangerous ravine with mines. As a staff sergeant in the 79th Division, of the 313th Infantry, he ordered a different crossover location to save the rest of his men under his command. Unfortunately, the details of his 2nd Purple

Heart are unknown.

In 1945, George returned home and married his childhood sweetheart, Michel Pauline Banes, on March 12, 1947, in Kansas City, Missouri, where they started their family. After the war, he was employed and retired from Ford Motor Company. He lived out his retirement years in Liberty, Missouri, with his wife till his death, on August 22, 2006.