

# MISSOURI STATE SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

*Proudly Honors*

**CALVIN DELOS SOLOMON**

UNITED STATES ARMY  
CORPORAL (E-4)

MAY 29, 1942 – AUGUST 2, 1944

KILLED IN ACTION

*as*

**PURPLE HEART PATRIOT  
DECEMBER 2025**

*Lue Lamb, Honoring Her Uncle's Service and Sacrifice*

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Calvin Delos Solomon was born January 11, 1924, near Otterville, Missouri, to Herbert Solomon and Charlotte Miller Case.

He graduated from Smith-Cotton High School in Sedalia in 1941.

Following graduation, he worked for Yunker-Lierman's Drug Store and later became an apprentice machinist at the Missouri Pacific Shops. Calvin's older brother Raphael enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps on December 13, 1941, and became a qualified parachutist. Calvin enlisted in the Army on May 29, 1942, and began active duty on June 3, 1942. His basic training was at Fort Knox, Kentucky, and he became a Corporal Technician in the 747th Tank Munitions in the Infantry.

Following a leave, Calvin was sent overseas. On August 2, 1944, he wrote a letter to his parents filled with the usual wit and good humor. He referred to two companions who shared his foxhole during the raids--a rabbit and a dog. He assured his parents he was alright and entreated them not to worry. That same day, he was near Saint-Lô, France, in a tank battalion driving a peep, a little vehicle smaller than a jeep. He hit a land mine and was killed at the age of 20. He was posthumously awarded the Purple Heart, having previously received the Bronze Star for meritorious achievement in military operations against the enemy.

He was temporarily buried on August 4, 1944, in the United States Military Cemetery at Cambe (Isigny), France. Memorial services were held at the First Baptist Church in Sedalia on September 24, 1944. In July 1947, the process began to repatriate him to the United States for permanent burial. His body arrived on a Missouri Pacific train on May 10, 1948, accompanied by a military escort. He was laid to rest at Memorial Gardens in Sedalia.