Silver Star



Sgt. Victor M. Bove, a member of the 311th Infantry Regiment, was awarded the Silver Star "for gallantry in action March 3, 1945 in the vicinity of Heimbach, Germany".

According to the citation accompanying the award, "Sgt. Bove, as a squad leader was advancing about 50 yards ahead of his squad when severe enemy machine gun fire burst forth from high ground and wounded him in the leg. His squad halted and the progress of the platoon was delayed. Despite considerable pain, he pulled himself in a position where his men could see him and directed them by arm signals. They succeeded in silencing an enemy gun. During the maneuver, he crawled 30 yards to assist another wounded man and crawled across open ground for 200 yards to direct a dazed man into defilade."

Sgt. Bove, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bove, 438 Adams Street, also holds the Purple Heart, Good Conduct Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, and the ETO ribbon with three battle stars.