

Brito, Genaro A.

Local Soldier Wounded Second Time, Letter Advises Parents

Already the holder of the Purple Heart, Pfc. Genaro A. Brito, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brito, 811 East Fifth Street, has been wounded in action a second time, according to a V-mail letter his parents received today from the soldier. The letter came to the Britos this morning—on the day Genaro observes the 22nd anniversary of his birthday. It was the first information they had from him in some time and relieved their anxiety.

Though twice wounded in the fighting in Italy, Pvt. Brito's letter concerns itself more about the folks at home than it does with his own experiences. It is typical American and is a gem filled with devotion. It speaks for itself:

Dear Folks:

I wrote you a letter immediately after I was wounded so as to try to beat the telegram that the government sends home. I am now in a general hospital. I am feeling much better and it won't be long until I'll be back in action again. I do hope that you have not been worrying about me. It's really nothing serious—I was hit in the right arm and also a little on the head. The good Lord is still with me. I have had many close calls and I even got wounded but I guess that's all for the best of it. I am sure that the prayers that you are saying for me are helping me out very much.



PFC. GENARO A. BRITO
... Purple Heart holder
wounded again.

I do hope everything at home is going okay. I received a couple of letters from home the night before I was wounded. Nothing else to say except I extend to you all my best of love and regards. Also give my regards to friends.

Your loving son,
Jerry.

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