

Feilbach, Richard H.

County Soldiers With Infantry Unit Given Presidential Citation

WITH THE 100TH DIVISION OF SEVENTH ARMY IN GERMANY—The Third Battalion of the 398th Infantry Regiment, the organization which engaged in some of the most bitter fighting on the entire Maginot Line when the 100th Division was attacking Fort Schiesseck and Bitche in France last December, has been awarded the Presidential Unit Citation, the highest honor a unit can receive for combat action.

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Bitche has been famous as a fort city for over 200 years and had never before been made to surrender to an attacking army until the 100th finally forced its capitulation, following a three months siege.

Local men who were members of the Third Battalion, 398th Infantry, during the original assault and contributed to its winning of the Presidential Citation are: Pfc. Richard H. Feilbach, 1106 Dover Lane, Bethlehem; S/Sgt. Leonard J. Roman, Freemansburg, and T/4 Louis G. Franceschino, Easton.

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