

Wiley, George A.

Awarded Medal



Pfc. George A. Wiley, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Wiley, Hillside Avenue, was awarded the Bronze Star Medal "for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on April 6, 1945 in the vicinity of Buschlutten, Germany."

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The citation accompanying the award read, "During a two-day patrol behind enemy lines, Pfc. Wiley, together with his companions, successfully attacked artillery positions and two night tank bivouacs, causing confusions amongst the enemy and gathering valuable information concerning installations. Pfc. Wiley's courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself, his organization and the military service."

A former football star at Liberty High School, Pfc. Wiley played tackle on the varsity eleven during the 1935, 36 and 37 seasons, subsequently filling the same position at Allentown Preparatory School and Franklin and Marshall College. He was inducted May 6, 1941 and after several months of training in the States, was sent overseas in 1943. Pfc. Wiley participated in the D-Day invasion and fought through all the major European campaigns with the First Army. He was wounded in action in Germany May 8, 1945.

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