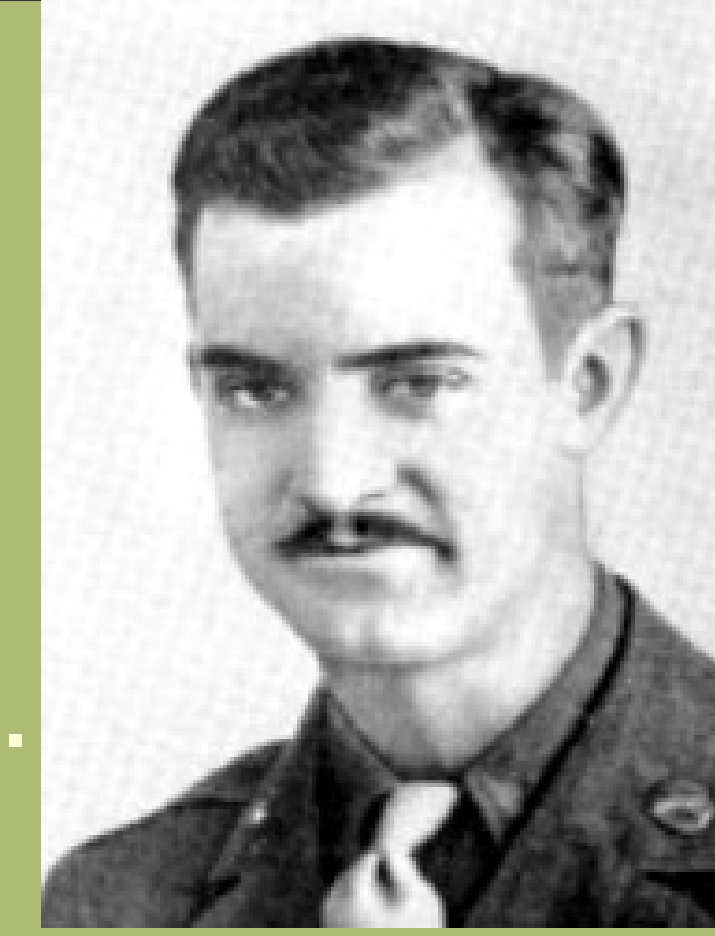


Medal of Honor Winners from Ky



Master Gunnery Sergeant Richard E. Bush of the United States Marine Corps, was born in Glasgow, Ky., on December 23, 1924. He received the Medal of Honor for throwing himself over a grenade that was thrown into a medic tent. He was severely injured. He died on June 7, 2004.



Sergeant Morris E. Crain born in Bandana, Ky., enlisted in Paducah. He received his Medal of Honor for giving cover to his men allowing them to fall back and set up a new defense line. He was killed when the building he was in was destroyed.

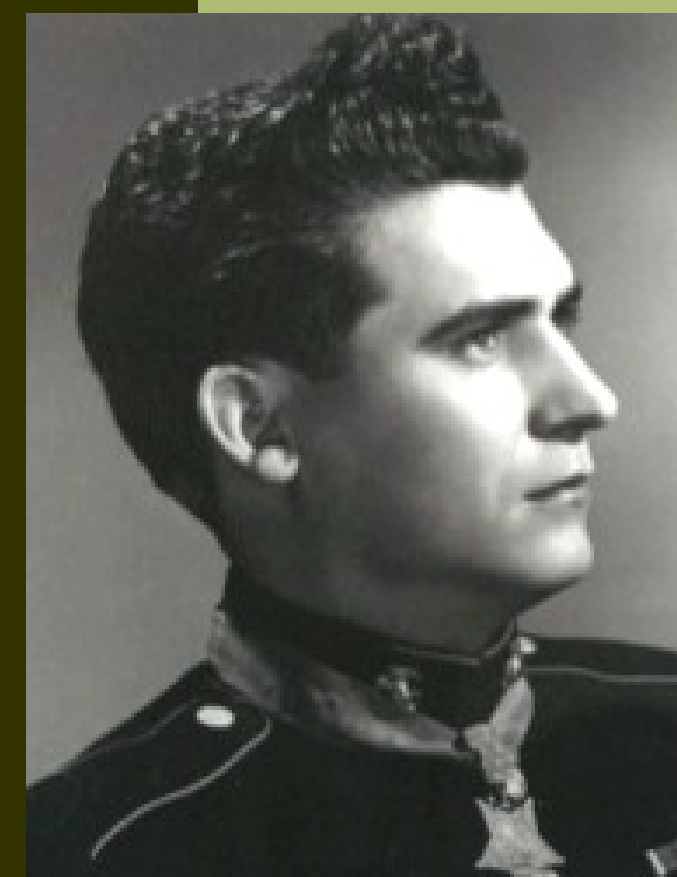


Private First Class Wesley Phelps was born on June 12, 1923. He received his Medal of Honor for throwing himself over a grenade that was launched into his fox hole saving the life of another marine. He died from his wounds.

Private Wilburn K. Ross was born on May 12, 1922, in Strunk, Ky. He received his Medal of Honor for single handedly taking out 58 German soldiers in a five hour battle, saving his company from destruction.



Staff Sergeant Junior J. Spurrier was born on December 14, 1922 in Russel County, Ky. He received his Medal of Honor for single handily attacking the town of Achain France from the west while other troops attacked from the east. He killed one officer and twenty four enlisted men and captured two officers and two enlisted men.



Private Luther Skaggs, Jr., was born on March 3, 1923, in Henderson, Ky. He received his Medal of Honor for taking command of his company when the commanding officer was wounded. He moved them 200 yards to a better position. He held his position even after his leg was shattered. For more than eight hours he fought on until the Japanese were defeated.

Sergeant John C. Squires was born in Louisville on May 9, 1925. In the attack at Spaccasassi Creek, Italy, he single handedly captured 21 German prisoners and collected more than 12 enemy machine guns for his men. He was the first Kentucky soldier to win the Medal of Honor in World War II.

