



BIOGRAPHY

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LEROY WINSTARD ROBINSON



SSgt Leroy Winstard Robinson was born March 25, 1906, to James Lee Robinson, a carpenter, and Katie Spears Robinson, a homemaker in Boley, Oklahoma. He married Doretha E. Coleman in which 3 children were born.

Leroy was drafted August 27, 1942, into the U S Army Air Corps, 99th Fighter Squadron. He studied at the Army Airfields (AAF), Scottsfield, Illinois and Tomah, Wisconsin Technical Schools, where he became a Radio Mechanic.

He was Section Chief over 17 men who operated the Net Controlling Station of a Directional Finding Unit. He operated and kept up maintenance on two units—cleaned, adjusted, installed and replaced any defective parts on the Directional Finding Units. He planned and supervised all duties associated with the maintenance of the units operated by the Radio Telephonic System.

Leroy was in Rome Amo Rhineland, North Apennines PO Valley, GO40 WD-45, Southern France GO33 WD-45, Air Combat Balkans Northern France. He received the Good Conduct Medal, EAME Service Ribbon, with one Silver Star, and two Bronze Service Stars. He was known to all Pilots and Servicemen as "Grandpa." He was Honorably discharged with a separation date of August 28, 1945.

He and Doretha later moved to Bakersfield California. Because of his love for carpentry, he built the family home. He started his own business called Robinson's Radio Service. There he was a member of Mount Nebo 37 Lodge and a member of VFW Post 3741. Joining the CME Methodist Church at an early age, he was a dedicated member of Saint Paul CME Church where he served on the steward board and participated in many activities of the church.

SSgt Robinson joined the Lonely Chapter on June 28, 1976, in Bakersfield, California. His wife Doretha, son Leroy Jr and stepdaughter Melba Robinson have also passed. He is survived by two sons, Winstard and Dale, and a daughter June Robinson.

