

# Leroy Mason See

U.S. Army

78th Lightning Division-Machine Gunner



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MACHINE GUNNER IN  
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I was born in Kinmundy, Illinois October 15, 1922. On October 2, 1944 I was inducted into the U.S. Army. After basic training I was assigned to the 309th Infantry Regiment, 78th Lightning Division. I trained as a machine gunner and became a S/Sgt. and machine gun squad leader of a 5 man crew responsible for the squad's actions and their safety.

We shipped overseas and saw action in the Ardennes, Rhineland and Central Europe campaigns. I served during the occupation of and was a member of the advance party with the 78th Lightning Division that secured the city of Berlin, Germany. The 78th relieved the 82nd Airborne.

I received the Army of Occupation Medal, European, African, Middle Eastern Theater Ribbon with 3 Bronze Battle Stars, the Victory Medal, 2 Overseas Service Bars, the American Campaign Medal, Combat Infantry Badge and the Good Con-

duct Medal.

I was discharged on August 5, 1946.

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