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Elmo Dean Winston was born September 18, 1909 in Bader, Illinois, the son of Charles Franklin and Sarah Frances Winston. He enlisted in the United States Army on April 2, 1942 and was sent overseas on January 2, 1944. He was assigned to the 6th Armored Division and trained in England. Sergeant Winston participated in the second invasion of France, landing on Utah Beach the 18th of July, 1944. The 6th Division, known as the Super Sixth were sent on to the Cotentin Peninsula offensive and in the liberation of Brest. On August 2, 1944, the 6th Division engaged the enemy east of the town of Dinan, France which was part of the St. Malo fortifications and manned by 20,000 German troops. Rather than destroying the fortress, which would have caused severe casualties and several days delay, the 6th Division slipped by the town and advanced 26 miles into unknown territory. The 6th Division participated in all five European campaigns in World

War II.

Sergeant Elmo Dean Winston was killed in action near Cherbourg, France on August 2, 1944. He was buried in St. James U.S. Military Cemetery, Loc C, Row 7, Grave 159, near Remmes, Sergeant Winston's cousin Merle Winston was also killed in action on July 25, 1944 in France.

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Submitted by Family