

Bleasdell Brothers Killed in Action in WWII

Floyd Ira & Jutta Betta (Justi) Bleasdell, then of Whitmore Lake, MI, saw all three of their sons, Floyd, Kenneth, and Leroy, answer the call to duty to protect and defend our nation. All three were killed in action during World War II.

Staff Sgt. **Floyd I. Bleasdell, Jr.**, 126th Infantry Reg., 32nd Inf. Div., US Army, died in the Philippines 2 March, 1945, was awarded the purple heart with two oak leaf clusters and the Silver Star for "Gallantry in Action." He's buried in the Manilla American Cemetery.

PFC **Kenneth E. Bleasdell**, 175th Inf. Reg., 29th Inf. Div., US Army, was killed on Omaha Beach, Normandy, France, June 7, 1944. His burial is at the Normandy American Cemetery.

Motor Machinist Mate 2nd Class **Leroy J. Bleasdell**, US Navy, was lost at sea when the submarine *Swordfish* disappeared. Date of death was given as 30 January 1946. He is honored at the Honolulu Memorial Cemetery.

Floyd I., Kenneth E. & LeRoy J. Bleasdell *From:*
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