

AWARD OF SILVER STAR MADE TO FALLEN SOLDIER

POSTHUMUOUS RECOGNITION TO
BE GIVEN PARENTS OF SGT.
CLARENCE WECK

MAY 24 '45

With the 83rd Ohio Infantry Division in Germany — S/Sgt Clarence E. Weck 36378566 of 607 West Water St., Newton, Illinois, has been awarded the Silver Star Medal (Posthumously) for Gallantry in Action.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Weck of Newton.

The citation for which award was made reads:

“For gallantry in action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Sgt. Weck was the platoon guide during the attack of his company toward the town of Kameritz. When the platoon ran into heavy enemy small arms fire the platoon sergeant was fatally wounded. Without hesitation Sgt. Weck took command and urged the men forward by continually running from man to man in complete disregard of his own personal safety. In the course of his gallant action he was fatally wounded, but his aggressive leadership enabled the platoon to continue the attack and achieve its mission. Sgt. Weck's outstanding bravery and devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon himself and exemplify the finest traditions of the armed forces of the United States.”