

Clarence Weck Is *May 25,* Awarded Silver Star Medal Posthumously *1945*

Staff Sergeant Clarence E. Weck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Weck of Newton, has been awarded the Silver Star medal posthumously for gallantry in action with the Eighty-third Infantry division. He was killed in action in Germany, April 14.

The citation reads in part as follows: "For gallantry in action on April 12, 1945, in Germany. Sergeant 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, Sergeant Weck took command and urged the men forward, continually running from man to man in complete disregard to 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. Sergeant 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."