



Railsplitter Obituary

Vincent Clementi

Killed in Action 18 November 1944



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HOME OF RECORD:

New Brunswick, New Jersey

AWARDS BY DATE OF ACTION:

Distinguished Service Cross

AWARDED FOR ACTIONS
DURING World War II

Service: Army

Rank: Technical Sergeant

Battalion: 2d Battalion

Division: 84th Infantry Division

GENERAL ORDERS:

Headquarters, Ninth U.S. Army, General Orders No. 61 (1945)

CITATION:

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, July 9, 1918, takes pride in presenting the Distinguished Service Cross (Posthumously) to Technical Sergeant Vincent Clementi (ASN: 32070368), United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy while serving with Company E, 2d Battalion, 334th Infantry Regiment, 84th Infantry Division, in action against enemy forces on 18 November 1944, in Germany. While acting as a platoon sergeant, Technical Sergeant Clementi courageously stormed a strong enemy position when his company began to waver and slow down in their attack because of intense enemy fire. With no thought of his own personal safety, he charged across open terrain and engaged the enemy in bitter hand-to-hand combat. Though this intrepid act cost his life, Technical Sergeant Clementi killed two of the enemy and by his action inspired his men to renew their efforts and surge forward. Technical Sergeant Clementi's intrepid actions, personal bravery and zealous devotion to duty at the cost of his life, exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States and reflect great credit upon himself, the 84th Infantry Division, and the United States Army.

