

1LT- First Lieutenant (rank)

1SGT- First Sergeant (rank)

2LT- Second Lieutenant (rank)

A - Air medal (award)

A&D - Admission & Disposition (hospital)

AGF- Allied Ground Forces

APO- Army Post Office

AR- Army Regulation

Armd- Armored

ASF- Army Service Forces

ASN - Army Serial Number (aka - identification #, dog tag number)

AT- Anti-Tank

AWOL- Absent without leave

B - Bronze Star (award)

BAR-Browning Automatic Rifle

BN-Battalion

BTY - Battery (unit)

CAPT- Captain (rank)

CM- Court Martial

Cml Mort Bn- Chemical Mortar Battalion

Co-Company

COL-Colonel (rank)

CONUS- Continental United States

CP- Command Post

CPL- Corporal (rank)

CWO- Chief Warrant Officer (rank)

D - Distinguished Service Cross (award)

DB- Daily Bulletin

DOW - Died of Wounds

DS- Detached Service

Dulag- Transit camp for POWs, enroute to Stalag or Oflag prisoner camps

EDCMR- effective date concerning Morning Report

EH- Evacuation Hospital

EM- enlisted men

ENG - Engineers (unit)

EPTI- Existing Prior to Induction (Service)

Evacd- evacuated

FA- Field Artillery

FH- Field Hospital

F.O.- Forward Observer

FOD - Finding of Death (i.e., the body was found later)

FR- France

FUR- Furlough

GH- General Hospital

GI- Government Issue (also slang for an American soldier during World War II)

GSW- Gunshot wound

ID- Infantry Division

INF- Infantry

KIA- Killed in Action

LWA- Lightly Wounded in Action

MIA- Missing in action

MSGT- Master Sergeant (rank)

NARA - National Archives and Records Administration

NBC- Non-battle casualty

NBD - Non-battle death

Oak Leaf Cluster- ribbon device denoting that the individual has been awarded a specific award an additional time

Oflag - POW camp for officers

OP- Outpost

P - Purple Heart (award)

PFC- Private First Class (rank)

POW - Prisoner of War

PVT- Private (rank)

Replacement Depot- Soldiers who were not deployed already attached to a unit were sent to the replacement depot once they arrived in Europe, then mustered out to units or divisions in need of men.

S- Silver Star (award)

SGT- Sergeant (rank)

SM- Soldiers Medal (award)

SSGT- Staff Sergeant (rank)

Stalag- POW camp for both officers and enlisted soldiers

SWA- Seriously Wounded in Action

T4- Technician Fourth Class/ Sergeant (rank)

T5- Technician Fifth Class/ Corporal (rank)

TD- Tank Destroyer

TD (SP)- Tank Destroyer- Self-Propelled (i.e. a half track or some other vehicle with a gun attached)

TD (T)- Tank Destroyer- Towed (Independent gun)

Tk- Tank

TO&E - Table of Organization and Equipment

TOM - Tablet of Missing

TSGT- Technical Sergeant (rank)

WD- War Department

WIA- Wounded in Action