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**1 LT David B. Clarkson
Class 62-43**



Distinguished Service Cross

AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS FOR HEROIC ACTION AGAINST THE ENEMY AT OKINAWA SHIMA, RYUKYU ISLANDS. HE WAS KILLED IN THE EARLY MORNING OF APRIL 22, 1945. HE RECEIVED THE PURPLE HEART. **From Susan Horner, Niece**

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Branch of Service: U.S. Army

Hometown: Baxter Springs, KS

Status: KIA 22 Apr 45

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(Citation Needed) - SYNOPSIS: First Lieutenant (Field Artillery) David B. Clarkson (ASN: 1181203), United States Army, was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross (Posthumously) for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy, in action against enemy forces on 21 and 22 April 1945, at Okinawa, in the Ryukyu Islands. First Lieutenant Clarkson'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, his unit, and the United States Army. **General Orders:** Headquarters, Tenth U.S. Army, General Orders No. 206 (1945)

