

Staff Sergeant Grantford R. Brown



Staff Sergeant Brown while serving as an M-19 Commander with the Delta Battery, 15th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, 7th Infantry Division, was defending a sector of the defense perimeter established to protect elements of the 37th Field Artillery Battalion near the Chosin Reservoir, North Korea, on 29 November 1950. Between the hours of 0030 and 0730 the enemy made repeated attacks against Staff Sergeant Brown's position. In spite of heavy enemy mortar, automatic weapons, and small-arms fire, Staff Sergeant Brown exposed himself without regard for his own personal safety in order to direct fire more accurately on the enemy. After being hit in the leg by a mortar shell fragment, Staff Sergeant Brown valiantly stayed at his post until the enemy attacks ceased. His outstanding leadership and devotion to his unit resulted in such a large number of enemy casualties, that it forced the enemy to abandon the attack.



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Colonel Jay P. Hopkins

November 2, 1875 – October 13, 1960



Colonel Jay P. Hopkins was the second Chief of Antiaircraft for the American Expeditionary Force, holding that position from June 1918 until the end of World War I. As a Major, before becoming the Chief of Antiaircraft, he was instrumental in establishing the American Antiaircraft School in France and developing the course of instruction. Colonel Hopkins also set forth the rules by which Antiaircraft units could claim a "kill." He fought for equipment for the fledgling antiaircraft service and was generally a strong right-hand man for Brigadier General James A. Shipton. After the war, on the recommendation of General Pershing, Colonel Hopkins went to Paris as the American representative to the final Inter-Allied Antiaircraft Committee meeting. He was born in Michigan on November 2, 1875 and graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1900. He retired from the Army as a Colonel in 1930, but was later recalled to service that same year. He eventually retired as a Brigadier General in 1940. He passed away in Michigan on October 13, 1960.



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