



Felix Brezar (1924 – 1945)

Felix Brezar attended school in Washoe, Montana from 1936 to 1937. Felix was a ward of John Overgaag of Chula Vista when Sgt Brezar was killed in action and lived at 428-A Mankato Street, Chula Vista. In 1930, his mother was listed as Josephine Brezar, and she lived in Washoe, Montana, a coal mining camp. He had a brother, John who was born in 1918 and a sister, Danella, born in 1919.

Felix died during World War Two. He was a Sergeant (E5) in the Army Air Corps, assigned to the 11th Airborne Division, 675th Glider Field Artillery Squadron. The 11th Division was activated on February 25, 1943. He was involved in insertion (parachute) campaigns on New Guinea, Leyte and Luzon. This squadron brought in 75mm cannon to the theater of action. He was killed in action (KIA) as he was leading an ammunition section through heavily sown minefields in the assault on Ft. McKinley on April 18 1945 on the island of Luzon, Republic of the Philippines. His service number was 39910322

His brother and sister are buried at a place called Red Lodge, Montana. Sgt. Felix Brezar's name also appears on the Purple Heart Memorial located in Billings Montana at location L2 F 42. Sgt Felix Brezar is buried at the Manila American Cemetery in the Philippines at location Plot G, Row 13, Grave 39.

Sergeant Felix Brezar was awarded the Silver Star and the Purple Heart in addition to his various campaign ribbons. He was killed while personally leading an ammunition section through a land mine field. His name appears on a "Wall of Honor" among five soldiers who were assigned to the 675th Glider Field Artillery Squadron and died in the performance of their duties. In 2006, the City of Chula Vista and the McMillin Housing Development honored Felix Brezar by having a street named in his honor in the Lomas Verdes subdivision.



675th Squadron Patch



Silver Star and Purple Heart.



Glider Wings of WWII



Felix Brezar is shown on this Washoe, Montana school photo. He is in the middle row to the far right.