



Glenn Gordon Bellamy was killed as his division led Patton's spearhead across France.

It must have been a macabre duty. Each morning, Army clerks all over Europe completed their companies' morning reports. The typewritten cards listed the unit's approximate location, the number of officer and enlisted personnel available for duty...and the names of the wounded and dead. On September 29, 1944, the morning report of Company M, 317 Infantry Regiment of the 80th Infantry Division included the name of Glenn G. Bellamy, killed in action four days earlier.

Glenn Gordon Bellamy, 'Gee Gee', came to Clemson

from the Low Country town of Loris in Horry County in the late summer of 1937. Bellamy studied vocational agricultural education at Clemson, was a member of the Future Farmers of America and a lieutenant in the Corps of Cadets. Like so many of his Class of '41 mates, Bellamy entered service immediately following his Clemson graduation.

Bellamy was assigned to the 80th Infantry Division, a highly decorated division from the First World War which was soon to be battle-tested again. On 5 August 1944, the 80th landed at Utah Beach. The Division was destined to become the "work horse" of General Patton's 3rd Army and to play a key role in the famed 3rd Army breakthrough at Avranches. The Division then attacked Argentan, taking it on August 20, and creating the Falaise Pocket. After mopping up in the area, the 80th took part in the Third Army dash across France, cutting through Saint-Mihiel, Châlons, and Commercy in pursuit of the retreating Germans until stopped by the lack of gasoline and other supplies at the river Seille.

COMPANY		RESTRICTED		ENDING		29		Sep		1944	
MORNING REPORT		2400		(DAY)		(MONTH)		(YEAR)			
STATION 1 mile south of Bratte, France											
ORGANIZATION		Co M		317th Inf Regt		Inf					
SERIAL NUMBER		NAME		GRADE		CODE					
36859105		Gilder, Edward J. (Abs ak)		Pfc							
Fr LIA 305 Med Bn Clr Sta to RFD 28 Sep (MOS 504)											
37176345		Person, Manne A. (Abs ak)		Pvt							
Fr Abs ak (LD) 305 Med Bn Clr Sta to dy 28 Sep (MOS 504)											
33213316		Stanley, Henry B. (Abs ak)		Sgt							
Fr LWA 305 Med Bn Clr Sta to RFD (MOS 653)											
38029572		Ortiz, Rufino (504)		Pvt							
Dy to Abs ak 305 Med Bn Clr Sta 27 Sep (LD) Undet											
38543788		Waters, Raymond F. (504)		Pvt							
Dy to Abs ak 305 Med Bn Clr Sta (LD) 28 Sep											
01285533		Bellamy, Glenn G. (1542)		Capt							
Dy to KIA 25 Sep											
38399069		Beast, Lee A. (504)		Pfc							
Dy to MIA 26 Sep											
37665236		Hallquist, Leonard F. (504)		Pvt							
Fr MIA 14 Sep to KIA 20 Sep											
39199812		Garvin, Henry W. (504)		Pfc							
Dy to MIA 26 Sep.											
2762362		Norge, Jr, Emery M. (652)		S Sgt							
34166092		Hall, Emmett (653)		Sgt							
35901957		Corn, Earl E. (605)		Pvt							
OFFICER		PLS O & CAPT		1ST LT		2D LT		WO		PLT O	
STRENGTH		OFFICER		ENLISTED		PRES		ABST		PRES	

In late September, the division, including the 317th Infantry Regiment, moved into defensive positions east of the Seille, about 50 miles from the German border. With the Germans making local counter attacks, M Company's 81 mm mortars and heavy machine guns were positioned on La Haie Ridge to protect the regiment's flank. On September 25th, Bellamy, while leading the company, was killed by shrapnel from a German shell.

He was originally buried in the temporary Andilly US Military Cemetery (Lay Saint Remy, France), Plot B, Row 7, grave 156. The cemetery was established on September 12, 1944 (now restored to farmland and original owners). His remains were returned to the United States in November 1948 and permanently buried in the Bellamy Cemetery in Longs, SC.

Bellamy was awarded the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster for gallantry in action. He was survived by his wife, the former Doris Cribb of Anderson, and their young daughter Lynn. Glenn Gordon Bellamy was one of 57 members of the Class of '41 killed during the war. No other Clemson Class in any war approaches this level of sacrifice.

