

Thomas Joseph Hildebrand, T-42

6 July 1924 – 16 April 1996

(aged 71)



Thomas J. Hildebrand, 20, Aviation Mechanic Mate 3-C, who was wounded on the Carrier Kalinin Bay in the Battle of Leyte Island, is spending a leave with his mother, Mrs. E. D. Hildebrand of 1188 Forrest. Petty Officer Hildebrand has seen service in four major battles and received the Purple Heart. His brother, Capt S. J. Hildebrand, was killed in action in France on August 11. Another brother, Captain George P. Hildebrand is with the AAF at Fort Worth TX.

Graduated from Tech High School here in 1942, Petty Officer Hildebrand was employed by Fisher-Memphis Aircraft Division prior to entering service December 1942.

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