

NAME: Sandy

RANK: First Sergeant

ORGANIZATION: 71st Infantry Division

OVERSEAS WARTIME SERVICE: European Theater of Operations

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Sandy writes his sister in the United States:

“11 Apr 45

...I am close enough to the front know to suit me an we dont see much action. We only have had a couple trucks blow up when one hit a mine. Lost one man he was a nice kid to. But that only happens when some body dont use there head...Were doing alright so far we move so fast it hard to get time to write letter you should be able to see in the paper how fast the 3rd Army is moving We were with the 7th Army when the drive started right after we came over from England. Running out of space so hope the war is over before you can get a ans back.

Your Loving Brother
Sandy”

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- Sandy made it through the Second World War but when he passed away is unknown.
 - **For visual context, this link connects to original wartime footage in the public domain that covers the above time period and the Seventh Army which Sandy mentions in his letter (viewer discretion advised):** <https://archive.org/details/ADC-4648>
 - **For additional detail, this link connects to the Wikipedia article that covers Sandy’s wartime organization, the 71st Infantry Division (reader discretion advised):** [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/71st_Infantry_Division_\(United_States\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/71st_Infantry_Division_(United_States))