

Thomas Howard

Sergeant, United States Army

Born:	January 18, 1918
Passed:	December 25, 2008
Years Served:	1941 to 1945 – 4.5 Years in WWII Solomon Islands of the South Pacific / Burma
Medals/Awards:	Presidential Unit Citation 7/5/1944 Bronze Star 2/20/1944 Combat Infantry Badge 2/20/1944 Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with 3 Bronze Stars American Defense Service Medal American Campaign Medal World War II Victory Medal Purple Heart 5/2/1944

Thomas Howard served in the 192nd Field Artillery Battalion in the Solomon Islands of the South Pacific and then in Burma with the 5307th Provisional Unit, Orange Combat Team, 3rd known as “Merrill’s Marauders.” He was wounded in action on April 2, 1943 at the Battle of Nhpum GA, Burma. Howard was sent to the 20th General Hospital in India for recovery and returned to duty on May 25, 1944 to reinforce the perimeter of Myitkyina Airfield, Burma where he remained until August 10, 1944.

Upon returning home from the service, he worked at Yale and Towne for 21 years as a chemical analyst. Later, continuing his career, he retired from American Machine and Foundry’s Central Research Labs in Springdale after 22 years.