



Official Citation

EGGERS, ALAN LOUIS (12112557) *Sergeant*, M. G. Co., 107th Inf.

FOR conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty in action with the enemy near Le Catelet, France, 29 September, 1918.

Becoming separated from their platoons by a smoke barrage, Sergeant Eggers, Sergeant John G. Latham and Corporal Thomas E. O'Shea took cover in a shell hole well within the enemy's lines. Upon hearing a call for help from an American Tank, which had become disabled thirty yards from them, the three soldiers left their shelter and started towards the tank under heavy fire from German machine guns and trench mortars. In crossing the fire-swept area, Corporal O'Shea was mortally wounded, but his companions, undeterred, proceeded to the tank, rescued a wounded officer, and assisted two soldiers to cover in the sap of a nearby trench. Sergeant Eggers and Sergeant Latham then returned to the tank in the face of the violent fire, dismounted a Hotchkiss gun and took it back to where the wounded men were, keeping off the enemy all day by the effective use of the gun, and later bringing it, with the wounded men, back to our lines under cover of darkness.

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ALAN LOUIS EGGERS

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