



Honoring Our Korean War and Korean Era Veterans



June 27, 1950 – January 31, 1955



Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **MCGRATH**

Hometown: WEST SENECA

JAMES J.

Address:

- Korean Era
- Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: PFC

Year Entered:

Year Discharged:

Unit / Squadron:

38TH INFANTRY REGIMENT, 2ND INFANTRY DIVISION

Medals / Citations:

PURPLE HEART

GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL

KOREAN SERVICE MEDAL

REPUBLIC OF KOREA PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION

UNITED NATIONS SERVICE MEDAL

REPUBLIC OF KOREA WAR SERVICE MEDAL

COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Private First Class James McGrath was a member of the 38th Infantry Division / He was Killed in Action on 12 February 1951 while fighting the enemy near Chipyeong-ni, South Korea

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

The Battle of Chipyeong-ni, also known as the Battle of Dipingli, was a decisive battle of the Korean War, that took place from 13–15 February 1951 between American and French units of the US 23rd Infantry Regiment and various units of the Chinese People's Volunteer Army (PVA) around the village of Chipyeong-ni / The result was a United Nations Command victory / Due to the ferocity of the Chinese attack and the heroism of the defenders, the battle has also been called, "...one of the greatest regimental defense actions in military history"

Private First Class James J. McGrath was 20 years of age at the time of his death