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TUESDAY
SEPTEMBER 25, 2018

RONALD E. ROSSER
MEDAL OF HONOR, KOREA 1952







Cpl. Ronald Rosser found himself pinned down in a bomb crater downhill from enemy lines. With nearly everyone in his company dead or wounded, and armed with his carbine and a grenade, he says he did the only thing he could think to do. He charged.

He blasted his way past enemy lines three times that day. Once, he leaped into a trench full of Chinese soldiers, killing men who were so close he just beat them to death with his rifle. On his third dash, he had no ammo for his rifle and was armed only with hand grenades he'd gathered from the dead and wounded.

Rosser received the Medal of Honor for his valor on that freezing January day in 1952. His official citation reads that he killed 13 of the enemy in that battle, but Rosser says it was many times that number. Despite being wounded in the hand and shoulder by shrapnel, he also pulled 15 wounded Americans to safety.

Rosser estimates he killed 12 men in hand-to-hand combat, shot roughly 175 to death and killed at least that many with grenades. He says he insisted on becoming a forward observer precisely because it kept him on the front line and offered the opportunity to kill so many of the enemy. The second of 17 children, Rosser re-enlisted in the Army and went to Korea determined to avenge his older brother, who was killed in action there in 1951.

Meet Mr. Rosser and have dinner with us. Mr. Rosser will have a special autographed item in our silent auction to benefit the WWII Roundtable.