

In honoring one, we honor all.



Officer Jake Chandler

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Born: June 18, 1917

Scott High School, Class of 1937

**University of Toledo,
Bachelor of Education, 1941**

Appointed: September 8, 1941

Enlisted: November 27, 1942

**Regiment: 370th Infantry regiment,
92nd Infantry Division**

**Killed in Action: February 9, 1945
in the Pontedera area, Italy, along the
Arno. Stepped on a land mine trying to
save one of his comrades.**

**Recipient Posthumously: Silver Star and
Purple Heart**

Purple Heart

Jake Chandler was killed on February 9, 1945 while trying to save one of his comrades. He received the Silver Star and Purple Heart posthumously. **Officer Chandler** is the only known person to have been killed in war while a member of the Toledo Police Department.



*Stone marker dedicated to
the memory of*

Officer Jake Chandler

May 19, 2005

Police Memorial Garden

Police Service

TOLEDO POLICE OFFICER

“The conversation turned to Dr. Steinberg, who died recently and who, before he became a dentist was a city policeman. He (Steinberg) was talking on the corner of Madison Avenue and Superior Street with two other rookie patrolmen, **Jake Chandler, the former Scott athlete, and John Dowling. Suddenly Jake pointed and shouted, ‘That car just ran a red light.’ He took off on foot after the auto, caught up with it opposite the Commodore Perry Hotel, signaled the driver to the curb, and gave him a ticket.”**

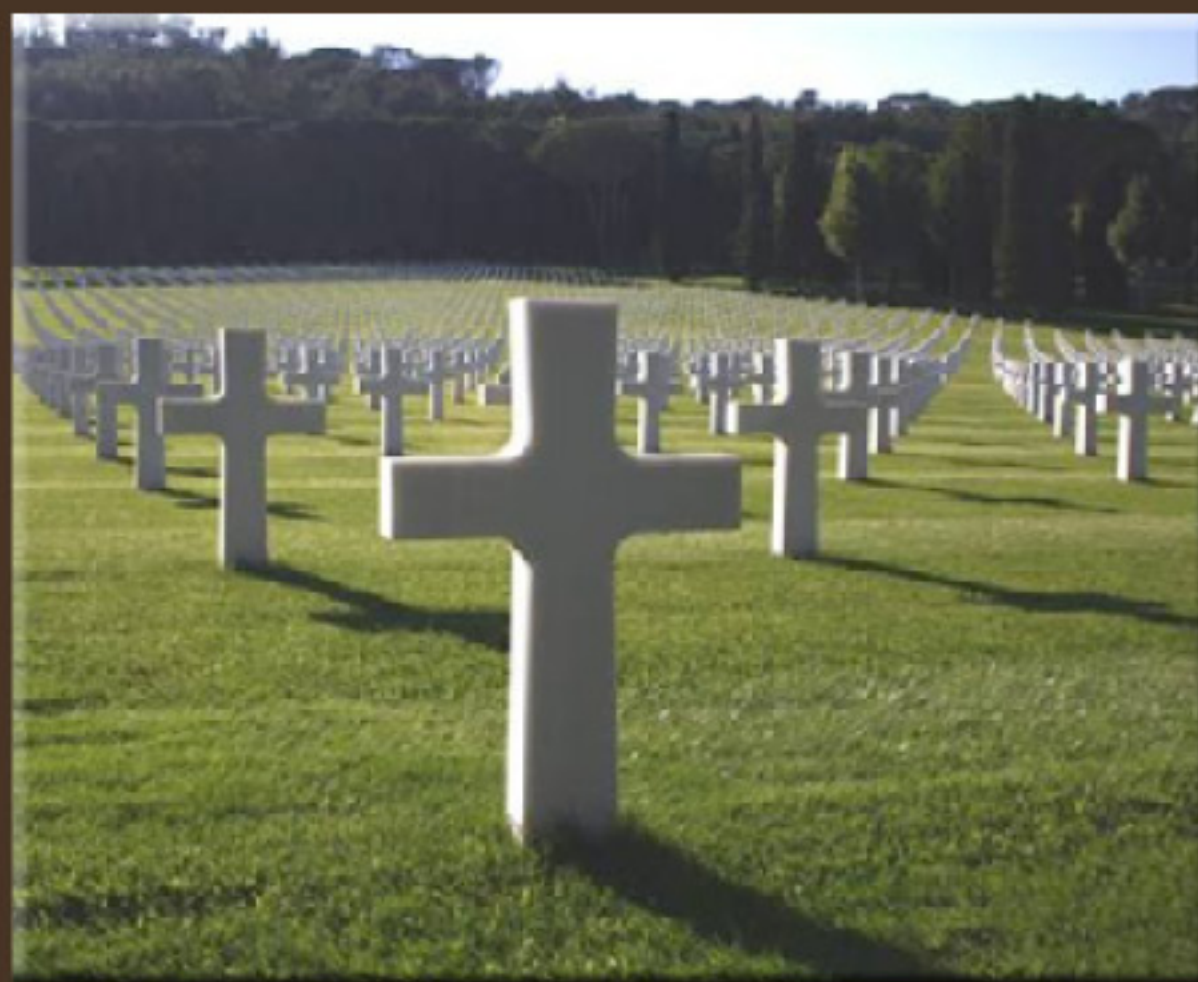
Military Service

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“Outstanding leadership discovered among junior officers as well, and the names of both enlisted and commissioned are still mentioned almost with reverence by veterans of the 92nd Division. Among them were Captain Charles f. Gandy, Lieutenant John Birdsong, Lieutenant Ralph Skinner, Lieutenant Frank Whisonant, **Lieutenant Jake Chandler**, Staff sergeant Oscar Simpson, Private Jake McInnis, all of whom won the Silver Star, some posthumously.”

“On 30 August the first German prisoners captured by black infantryman in Europe were seized by a twenty-two man combat patrol from Company F. led by **Lieutenant Jake Chandler** and joined by Captain Charles F. Gandy. The heavily armed patrol crossed the Arno and boldly entered the village of Calcinaia, where it destroyed a machine gun position, returning then safely with two prisoners.”

**Jake Chandler is buried in the Florence American Cemetery
Plot H Row 13 Grave 17 Florence, Italy**

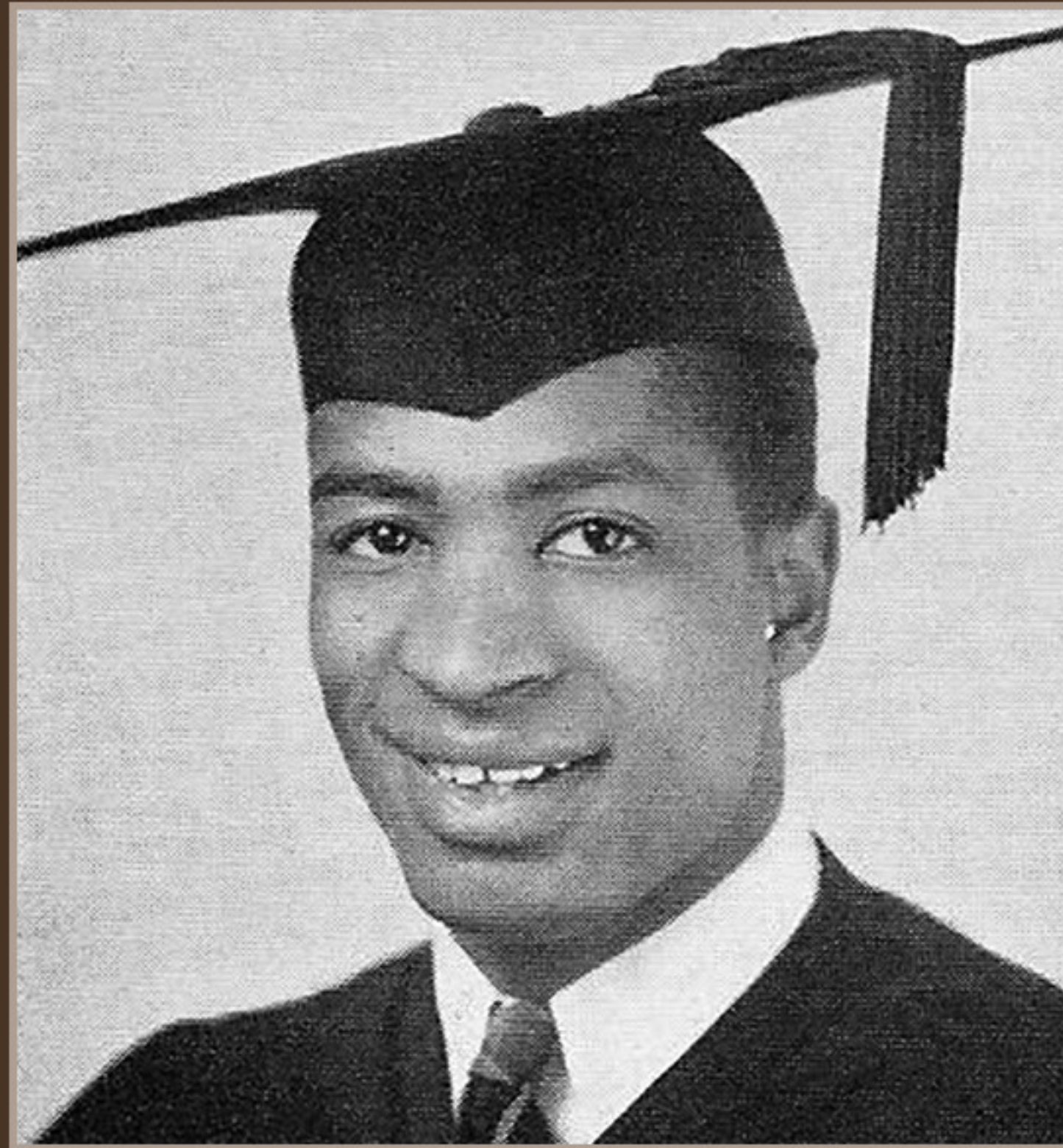


Student and Athlete



“Scott won its fourth annual Ohio Wesleyan meet...An outstanding mark of 6 feet 2 inches set by **Jake Chandler** helped Scott to win the meet...**Jake Chandler** again proved to be the backbone of the team when Scott walked away with the Miami meet.” (The 25th Scottonian, 1938).

Leader



“Jake Chandler is able president of the group (Olympus Club) and is tops around school in athletics and maintains a high honor rating. His high-jump record is one of which the whole student body is proud. His congenial personality and winning smile place him in the minds of the students.” (The UT Blockhouse, 1941)