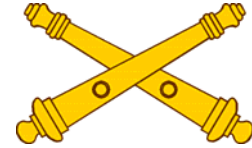




European-Africa
Middle Eastern
Campaign Medal



Field Artillery
Branch Insignia

Lloyd Harold Trexler
Technician 5 U.S. Army
15 December 1942 – 20 October 1945

Lloyd was born on 12 October 1922 in Breinigsville, Pennsylvania. He attended grades 1–8 in Oreville, Pennsylvania, from 1928 to 1937 and three years of high school in Longswamp, Pennsylvania. He left high school in 1940 and worked as a Landscaper and for Mack Manufacturing Company in Allentown on the production line and as a Hand Truck Operator until he was drafted into the Army. Lloyd entered the Army as a Private in New Cumberland, Pennsylvania, on 15 December 1942 when he was living in Alburtis, Pennsylvania. He underwent basic training at Fort Bliss, Texas, followed by advanced training in the Field Artillery as a Field Lineman and Switchboard Operator. Lloyd was then ordered to the European Theater for assignment to the 153rd Field Artillery Battalion. Lloyd returned home temporarily on furlough to marry **Dolores Charlotte Bogert** (born 22 November 1924) on 1 September 1943 at Zion Lehigh Church near Alburtis by Reverend William Wolford. On 3 May 1944, Lloyd left for the European Theater of Operations. He arrived in England on 15 May 1944, and then crossed the English Channel to join the 153rd Battalion and assignment to Battery B just after the landings at Normandy, France, on 6 June 1944. Lloyd was responsible for stringing communications wires throughout the time he was in Europe. Besides fighting in Normandy, Lloyd saw action at Solo and other areas in northern France, the Battle of the Bulge in the Ardennes, and in Germany including the Rhineland and Central Europe. After Lloyd was discharged, he returned to Alburtis for a year. He and Dolores then moved to Brookdale in Lower Macungie Township, where they settled. Lloyd went back to work at Mack Trucks on the production line for about a year before joining Arbogast & Bastian Company at their meat-processing plant in Allentown, where he worked from 1946 until 1984, the year he retired. Lloyd and Dolores raised four children: **Nancy L.**, **Janet E.**, **Randy L.**, and **Debbie S.** Lloyd's stepfather was **George William Holland** (18 January 1898 – 19 June 1950). His mother was **Beulah Hilbert** (2 July 1904 – 31 July 1963).

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