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Harry Lee Crawford was born on December 23, 1921 in Deport, Texas. He enlisted in the United States Army on August 14, 1942, and was deployed to the Aleutian Islands, where he fought in battles to remove Japanese garrisons. In May, 1943, Atka Island was retaken and three months later Kiska Island was liberated. His decorations and citations included: Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with two Service Stars, Bronze Star, World War Two Victory Medal, Good Conduct Medal and two Overseas Service Bars. Staff Sergeant Crawford was honorably discharged on November 15, 1945. He returned to civilian life in Paris, Texas, and became an expert car mechanic, eventually taking ownership of the Chrysler dealership known as Crawford Motor Company. He died on September 22, 2008 at the age of 86. This star is dedicated in his memory by his wife, Nelda Crawford and daughter, Suzanne Landers.



