



Roy Samuel Bush
Private First Class U.S. Army
8 January 1941 – 8 November 1945

Roy was born at home on 26 August 1918 in Wescosville, Pennsylvania, while the family was living on the Stephen Farm on Krocks Road in Lower Macungie Township. While the family was living there, Roy attended grade school at the two-room schoolhouse in East Texas, Pennsylvania. Around 1927, the family moved to the O.C.R. Bastian Farm on Grange Road. The farm straddled the Upper Macungie Township-Lower Macungie Township border, but because the farmhouse was located in Upper Macungie, Roy completed his primary school education at the Fogelsville School. Following that, and prior to enlisting in the Army, Roy worked as a Farm Hand on the farm where he lived. He was inducted into the Army as a Private in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on 8 January 1941 and assigned to the Medical Corps. He was ordered to Fort Belvoir, Virginia, for basic training, and probably underwent Medical Corps training there as a Hospital Orderly, with subsequent assignment to the Fort Belvoir Hospital for duty. The hospital was a complex of 39 wooden buildings. Roy left the States for overseas on 23 January 1943 to serve in the Western Pacific for two years and seven months, which included participation in the New Guinea Campaign. Roy left the Western Pacific for return to the States on 15 October 1945, arriving two weeks later. He crossed country to Fort Dix, New Jersey, where he was discharged as a Private First Class at the 155th Station Hospital on 8 November 1945. For his wartime service, Roy was awarded the American Defense Service Medal, the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal. After his discharge, Roy returned home to marry **Lillian Veronica Perry** (25 March 1917 - 30 May 1989) on 1 December 1945. They were married in West Warwick, Rhode Island, where they established their permanent home. They had a son, **Richard Roy** (10 March 1952 – 1966). Roy died on 3 October 1996 in West Warwick and is buried at Rhode Island Veterans Cemetery on 301 South County Trail in Exeter, Rhode Island. Roy was one of eight children born to **Robert Daniel Bush** (12 January 1889 – 7 May 1949) and **Clara Agnes Gower** (1 December 1890 – 11 September 1951). Roy's two brothers, **Charles Freeman** and **Howard Daniel**, also served in the Army during World War II.