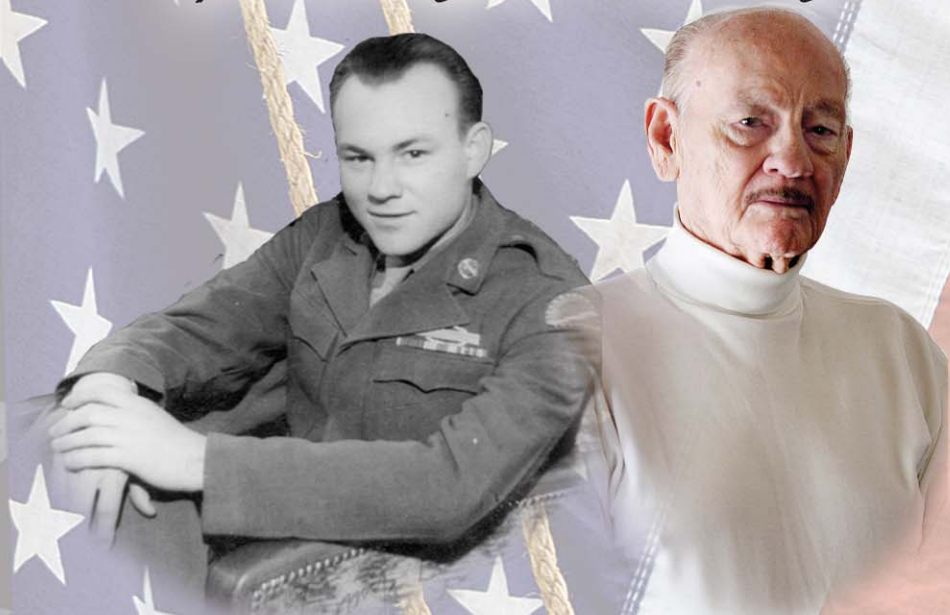


# HOMETOWN HEROES...

## *A Salute to the Veterans of Forsyth County*



### Saluting Jesse L. Murphy ...

While serving as a U.S. Army Private in World War II, Jesse L. Murphy, a Forsyth County resident, was wounded by grenade shrapnel in the hand. Later, Jesse was in training to begin service in Japan when the war ended in 1945.

"The shelling and the German 88s," Murphy recalled, "the sounds they made were a sound like nothing else."

Jesse retired from the Army with an honorable discharge, earning the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star, the Combat Infantry Badge, the Expert Rifle Award, the European Theatre Award with two clusters, the Good Conduct Award and the WWII Victory Award.

Jesse retired as a successful owner of several area businesses. He is a devoted husband and father and resides in Forsyth County with his wife of 68 years "Billie." Jesse is father to State Senator Jack Murphy of Georgia District 27, which encompasses most of Forsyth County and part of Cherokee County.

Jesse supports youth and education programs through his affiliations with various civic and veterans groups, including VFW Post 9143 and American Legion Post 307, and is a true

**"Hometown Hero."**



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