

Italian American Recipients of the Medal of Honor

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As of 2005, the Sons of Italy has identified the following 23 Italian Americans who have earned the Medal of Honor. Current research expects that number to increase.

NAME	HOME TOWN	SERVICE	RANK	COMBAT
Albanese, Lewis	Venice, Italy	US Army	Private First Class	Vietnam War
Basilone, John	Buffalo, NY	US Marines	Sergeant	World War II
Bertoldo, Vito R.	Decatur, IL	US Army	Master Sergeant	World War II
Bianchi, Willibald C.	New Ulm, MN	US Army	First Lieutenant	World War II
Capodanno, Vincent R.	Staten Island, NY	US Marines	Lieutenant	Vietnam War
Casamento, Anthony	Brooklyn, NY	US Marines	Corporal	World War II
Cavainani, Jon R.	Royston, England	US Army	Staff Sergeant	Vietnam War
Cheli, Ralph	San Francisco, CA	US Army	Major	World War II
Cicchetti, Joseph J.	Waynesburg, OH	US Army	Private First Class	World War II
Colalillo, Michael	Hibbing, NM	US Army	Private First Class	World War II
Dallessandro, Peter J.	Watervliet, NY	US Army	Technical Sergeant	World War II
Damato, Anthony Peter	Shenandoah, PA	US Marines	Corporal	World War II
DeFranzo, Arthur F.	Saugus, MA	US Army	Staff Sergeant	World War II
DiCesnola, Luigi Palma	Rivarola, Italy	US Army	Colonel	Civil War
Fratellenico, Frank R.	Sharon, CT	US Army	Corporal	Vietnam War
Martini, Gary W.	Lexington, VA	US Marines	Private First Class	Vietnam War
Merli, Gino J.	Scranton, PA	US Army	Private First Class	World War II
Petrarca, Frank J.	Cleveland, OH	US Army	Private First Class	World War II
Rocco, Louis R.	Albuquerque, NM	US Army	Warrant Officer	Vietnam War
Valente, Michael	Cassino, Italy	US Army	Private	World War I
Versace, Humbert "Rocky"	Alexandria, VA	US Army	Captain	Vietnam War
Viale, Robert M.	Bayside, CA	US Army	Second Lieutenant	World War II
Vittori, Joseph	Beverly, MA	US Marines	Corporal	Korean War