Davis Pickens, WWII Code Talker

Sgt. Davis Pickens was killed in action, leaving a wife and young daughter. Pickens is one of the WWII Choctaw Code Talkers. He served in the 180<sup>th</sup> Infantry, 45<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division. He was killed in France, and is buried in the Zion Baptist Church Cemetery in McAlester, Oklahoma. He was born December 12, 1922 and died June 3, 1944 at the age of 21. He was married to Bonnie Pauline James Pickens (died 1986) and his daughter was Shirley Ann Pickens Nagel (died 2014). His parents were Nelson and Malinda Pickens.