

# Basic Detail Report

## Title Purple Heart

Date c. 1942-1945

Primary Maker Dennis Thomas Bosio Sr.

Medium (a-b) Copper alloy, silk, gold plating, enamel, non-magnetic white metal alloy (c) Copper alloy, gold plating, enamel, non-magnetic white metal alloy (d) leather, velvet

Description (a) Purple Heart awarded to Dennis T. Bosio, Sr. with a (b) service ribbon and (c) lapel button in (d) original case for his service in WWII. (a) A United States Purple Heart with a gold heart shaped medal with a profile relief bust of George Washington in the center of the medal with a purple enamel background. A shield with Washington's family coat of arms is above the bust. Embossed text on the back reads, "FOR / MILITARY / MERIT." It has a silk purple ribbon with a white edge stripe. (b) The service ribbon is a silk purple ribbon with a white edge stripe. (c) The lapel button has a purple ribbon with a white edge stripe. (d) Printed in gold on top of case: "PURPLE / HEART."

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (a: overall length x width of medal):  $3 \frac{1}{4} \times 1 \frac{3}{8}$  in. (8.3 × 3.5cm) Primary Dimensions (b: overall length x height of service ribbon):  $1 \frac{3}{8} \times \frac{3}{8}$  in. (3.5 × 1cm) Primary Dimensions (c: overall length of lapel button):  $\frac{5}{8}$  in. (1.6cm) Primary Dimensions (d: overall length x height x width of case):  $6 \frac{1}{2} \times 1 \times 3 \frac{1}{2}$  in. (16.5 × 2.5 × 8.9cm)