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 A native of Clinton, Wisconsin, Byron Alfred Dary, Jr. (1925-1945) enlisted in the Navy in February 1943.

 Pharmacist's Mate 3rd Class Dary Served with distinction at the invasion of Normandy and the landings on Iwo Jima.

 On June 6, 1944, Dary landed on Omaha Beach with the 6th Naval Beach Battalion. Upon hitting the beach, he rushed to the aid of Army personnel lying near a burning half-track before providing first aid to wounded Army and Navy officers under continuous shellfire and being targeted by an enemy sniper. He was later awarded the Silver Star medal for his actions.

 Dary landed on Iwo Jima on Feb. 19, 1945, as part of USS Sanborn's beach party. When calls for corpsmen rang out, he left his covered position to provide emergency medical aid to the wounded before being killed. He was posthumously awarded the Navy Cross for heroism.

