

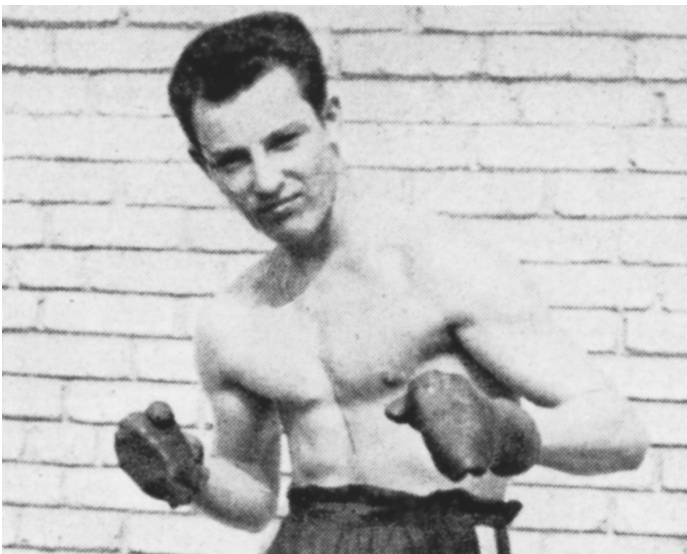
Tough Little Fighter Morris Guerrant, '42

Those who attended AMA after World War Two might not have known that baseball, football and **boxing** had been AMA's top sports in the years just preceding the war.



Early in the last century, boxing was **the** sport.

No one was a better boxer than Morris Guerrant from the Class of 1942.



He was undefeated in the 1940-41 season.

"Punchy" fought for five years at AMA in ever increasing weight divisions.

In his senior year... Guerrant soundly defeated the Virginia State Boxing Champion from SMA.

When he went on to the University of Maryland... he became the first freshman in school history to make the varsity boxing team... losing only one match... and that to the NCAA champ.

"Punchy" Guerrant ready for battle

Called into the Army... he boxed on the Army team and never lost a match.

On 30 April 1945 - the day Hitler died - Guerrant advanced ahead of his platoon armed only with a pistol and one hand grenade.

He killed two Germans and forced the rest to retreat.

Mortally wounded... he continued to fire on the enemy until his death.

For this heroic action... he received the Silver Star.

Morris Guerrant - a fighter to the end.

