An essay on the theme of my family during the Great Patriotic War.

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War is a scary word.

Our great-grandfathers and great-grandmothers, grandfathers and grandmothers survived the horror of the Great Patriotic War. The heroic saga of the Great Patriotic War, the most brutal of all the wars that our country has survived, goes farther and farther into history.

Exactly 75 years ago, a terrible war ended in the victory of our people, which claimed millions of lives.

The Great Patriotic War affected every family. Sons, husbands, daughters, wives went to the front. This war has not spared our family. Great-grandfather Marchenko Alexander Semenovich went to the front, was a navigator of the regiment with the rank of major. He repeatedly showed examples of courage, flying on reconnaissance and bombing to destroy enemy manpower and equipment, showed courage, initiative and ingenuity. From the moment the Germans went on the offensive, he participated in each of the missions to destroy the accumulation of enemy tanks, performing combat missions well and excellently. On one of the air battles he was wounded in the left leg, but completed the task. Participated in Kostrinsky and Berlin operations. He was awarded the Order of the Red Banner, the Red Star, two orders "World War II" II degree and medals.

Great-grandfather Serov Aleksey Sergeevich - Private, was awarded the medal "For Courage." Together with his three comrades he removed 46 mm cannon from the firing position of the Germans and delivered it to the headquarters of his regiment. In the battle near the village of Annino-Motorino, Novo-Tutovsky district, Kalinin region, in acute need of weapons, under enemy fire, he carried 160 rifles, 6 company mortars and 3 light machine guns from the battlefield. In the same battle he was shell-shocked.

All my great-grandfathers returned from the war alive. I am proud of my great-grandfathers!

The Great Patriotic War was a terrible event in the history of the 20th century. This bloody battle took away millions of human lives. It crippled the fate of people, drastically changed their lives, bringing them the agony of suffering, deprivation, bitterness and sadness.

In other words, the war and victory in it demanded unprecedented costs and sacrifices of various nature from our country and its people.

However, very soon we will celebrate 75 years of the Great Victory. The Victory Day was perhaps the brightest and most joyful holiday, marking the end of the most bloody and destructive of wars.



This photo shows my great-grandfather A.M. Marchenko - Taking of Berlin

