**Record card**

Order booklet nr. **L-057961**

1. Last name: **Nikolayev**
2. First name and patronymic: **Pavel Ilyich**
3. Military rank: **Private**
4. Sex: **Male**
5. Year of birth: **1922**
6. Place of birth: **Village of Pervokonstantinovka, Gapynitsky District, Kherson Province**
7. Party membership (since which year): **Komsomol member since 1945**
8. Education: **Elementary**
9. Nationality: **Ukrainian**
10. Since which year in the Red Army: **From August 1941 to December 1946**
11. Place of service (name of the unit) and position occupied at the time of the award: **Squad leader in the 295th Rifle Division**
12. Current place of service and position: **Temporarily unemployed**
13. Home address of the recipient: **Village of Petrovka, Krasnogvardeiskoye District, Crimean Province** [added later: **village of Novo-Estonia]**
14. List of all awards he received:

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| Name of the order or medal | Serial number | Number of the document | Ground of award |
| **Order of the Red Star** | **1317326** | **Temporary****certificate nr. 434164** | **Order of the 295th Rifle Division nr. 028/N of March 18, 1945** |
| **Medal for Courage** | **2378376** | **Temporary certificate nr. 434165** | **Order of the 295th Rifle Division nr. 026/N of March 10, 1945** |
| **rder of the Patriotic War, 2nd** | **558926** | **Temporary****certificate nr. Zh-864864** | **Order of the 32nd Rifle Corps nr. 054/N of June 7, 1945** |
| **Class** |
| **Medal for the Capture of Berlin** |  |  |  |
| **Medal for the Liberation of Warsaw** |  |  |  |
| **Medal for the Victory over Germany** |  |  |  |
| **Stripped of his awards by Decree of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR of May 26,****1951** |
| **Orders arrived at the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet on February 26, 1951, memo of November 28,1984** |
| **Rights restored by Decree of June 13, 1985** |
| **All awards listed above were returned to the recipient, memo nr. 84327 from 1985** |

Signature of the recipient: **[signed]**

I confirm the correctness of the information and the signature of the recipient:

**Military commissar of Krasnogvardeiskoye District**

**Captain [signed]** / /

**December 16, 1946**

# Order

Secret Copy nr. **2**

# Order

**Of the 32nd Order of Suvorov Rifle Corps June 7, 1945-Nr. 054/N** - **Operational Army**

On behalf of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR, for the exemplary execution of combat missions at the front in the struggle with the German invaders and the valor and bravery displayed in the process, I award:

In **the 295th Kherson Red Banner Order of Suvorov Rifle Division:**

[... ]

**The Order of the Patriotic War, 2nd Class to:**

[...]

70. Private Pavel Ilyich Nikolayev, sapper in the 588th Independent Sapper Battalion [... ]

Commanding officer of the 32nd Order of Suvorov Rifle Corps Hero of the Soviet Union

Guards Lieutenant General [signed] /Zherebin/

Corps chief of staff

-------- Major General [signed] /Plokhov/

Chief of the Personnel Section Major [signed] /Bezladnov/

**Award citation**

Last name, first name, and patronymic: Nikolayev, Pavel Ilyich Military rank: Private

Position and unit: Sapper in the 588th Independent Order of the Red Star Sapper

Battalion, 295th Kherson Red Banner Order of Suvorov Rifle Division

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1. Year of birth: 1922
2. Nationality: Ukrainian
3. Since when in the Red Army: Since June 25, 1944
4. Party affiliation: Not a member
5. Combat service (where and when): In the Patriotic War against the German-fascist invaders since July 1944
6. Wounds and contusions received: Contused on January 29, 1945
7. Previous awards: Order of the Red Star by Order of the 295th Rifle Division nr. 028/N of March 18, 1945 and Medal for Courage by Order of the 295th Rifle Division nr. 026/N of March 10, 1945
8. Drafted by which military commissariat: Military Commissariat of Telman District, Crimea
9. Home address (of the prospective awardee or his family): \_

Brief, concrete description of his feat of arms or accomplishments

When the enemy defenses were breached from the Oder bridgehead and the city of Berlin was stormed, Private Nikolayev served with an assault group tasked with clearing passages through the enemy's engineer obstacles in order for the tanks, artillery, and infantry to pass through. Under heavy artillery and machine-gun fire Private Nikolayev

,,,-- cleared two passages through an enemy minefield, removing 28 antitank mines and thus enabling the assault groups to advance through the obstacles unhindered.

During the assault on the city of Berlin, Private Nikolayev killed the crew of a light machine gun, which had taken up position in the basement of a building, with an antitank grenade, thus enabling the assault groups to push forward quickly and capture the city of Berlin.

For the bravery, courage, and fearlessness he exhibited while carrying out a combat assignment during the breakthrough of the enemy defenses and during the assault on the city of Berlin, Private Nikolayev deserves the Order of the Patriotic War, 2nd Class.

Commanding officer of the 588th Independent Order of the Red Star Sapper Battalion

Major [signed] /Turtsevich/

May 13, 1945

He deserves the Order of the Patriotic War, 2nd Class.

Commanding officer of the 295th Kherson Red Banner Order of Suvorov Rifle Division Hero of the Soviet Union

Major General [signed] /A. Dorofeyev/ May 18, 1945

Awarded the Order of the Patriotic War, 2nd Class by Order of the 32nd Order of Suvorov Rifle Corps nr. 054/N of June 7, 1945.

Assistant chief of the Personnel Section of the 32nd Order of Suvorov Rifle Corps Major [signed by deputy] /Bezladnov/

June 7, 1945