

capture. The Allies discovered this plan and intercepted their nemeses, though they unwisely split up their forces to tackle a number of different ongoing threats. With newly enhanced powers, Nacht-Krieger cut a terrible swath through the Allies: only the Human Tank and Gunner and the light-bearers White Rose and White Thorn survived, the latter giving their lives to imprison Nacht-Krieger beneath the ocean near Freedom City. The Human Tank and Gunner perished in occupied Japan shortly after V-J Day, murdered by the Japanese supersoldier Crimson Katana.

The Allies of Freedom remain renowned heroes in Europe, particularly honored by twelve-foot high statues in a park in Lourdes, France, for their role in aiding the French Resistance and freeing the nation from Nazi tyranny.

## THE HUMAN TANK POWER LEVEL 10

**Real Name:** Henry "Hank" Griffin

**Identity:** Secret

**Occupation:** Soldier

**Base of Operations:** Freedom City

**Affiliation:** Allies of Freedom

**Height:** 6'3"

**Eyes:** White (no pupils, originally grey)

**Weight:** 350 lbs.

**Hair:** Dark silver (originally brown)

STR	DEX	CON	INT	WIS	CHA
+12	+2	+10	+0	+2	+1
34	14	30	10	14	13

TOUGHNESS	FORTITUDE	REFLEX	WILL
+12	+12	+4	+5

**Skills:** Craft (mechanical) 8 (+8), Drive 6 (+8), Intimidate 8 (+9), Knowledge (popular culture) 4 (+4), Profession (mechanic) 6 (+8), Sense Motive 4 (+6)

**Feats:** Assessment, Attack Focus (melee) 2, Endurance, Interpose, Power Attack, Takedown Attack

**Powers:** **Alternate Form 7** (metal, **Density 4** [+8 Str, Immovable 2, Impervious Protection 2, Super-Strength 1], **Immunity 9** [life support], **Impervious Toughness 6** (8 total), **Super-Strength 4** [5 total, heavy load: 44 tons]; Permanent), **Super-Senses 1** (radio, via metallic resonance)

**Combat:** Attack +8 (melee), +6 (ranged), Grapple +25, Damage +12 (unarmed), Defense +8, Knockback -10, Initiative +2

**Abilities 47 + Skills 9 (36 ranks) + Feats 7 + Powers 36 + Combat 28 + Saves 7 = Total 134**

Hank was the second child of Margaret and Henry Griffin. When they died in a car accident, the eleven-year-old Hank and his six-year-old brother Tommy went to live with their older sister Shelly and her husband, metallurgist Dr. Michael MacLain, in Freedom City. Hank became obsessed with cars and a skilled mechanic and driver, which made him useful in Michael's lab filled with mechanical inventions and the fact that "Doc" had poor depth perception and didn't drive.

When Fifth columnists in Freedom City sabotaged the lab, Hank, Tommy, and Doc were caught in the initial explosion. Hank tackled Tommy and used his own body to shield his brother from the spray of



liquid super-metal. Hank threw off the rubble and found his skin, organs, and muscles were now all metal. Tommy, who'd been trapped under him, could pull the metal out of the air, just as he breathed in the super-metal in the air from the lab. Their sister and her husband were both dead.

The Human Tank and Gunner captured the saboteurs and turned them over to the military at Lonely Point. Despite his little brother's age, Hank accepted a request to volunteer their powers for the war effort. The brothers immediately went to Europe to join other allied superhumans in the Allies of Freedom, a team under the command of the Allied military commanders. Their main liaison was Major Richard Monroe of the O.S.S.

Hank, as the Human Tank, was the powerhouse of the team, yet his humility and quiet humor belied his metallic power. Still, shortly after arriving in Europe, he fell in love with Lady Celtic. They were married on New Year's Day 1943, their twin children born in mid-1944.

Hank was seriously wounded by Nacht-Krieger when he attempted to prevent the Nazi's escape from Europe. His wife, Lady Celtic, was killed. After weeks grieving for her and his other lost comrades, Hank placed his children in the safekeeping of his wife's younger sister and he and Tommy returned to duty.

Human Tank and Gunner helped end the war with Japan and stayed to help the allies restore the country. Both of them fell in love with Japan and its culture, and the Human Tank began making plans to have his children brought to Osaka to live. Before that could happen, however, on October 17, 1946 the Crimson Katana murdered the Human Tank and Gunner in their sleep.

## GUNNER POWER LEVEL 8

**Real Name:** Thomas "Tommy" Griffin **Identity:** Secret

**Occupation:** Superhero, partner of the Human Tank

**Base of Operations:** Freedom City

**Affiliation:** Allies of Freedom

**Height:** 5'3"

**Eyes:** Green

**Weight:** 105 lbs.

**Hair:** Blond

STR	DEX	CON	INT	WIS	CHA
+1	+3	+4	+1	+2	+1
12	16	18	12	14	12

TOUGHNESS	FORTITUDE	REFLEX	WILL
+4	+7	+6	+5

**Skills:** Acrobatics 4 (+7), Bluff 6 (+7), Climb 4 (+5), Drive 2 (+5), Knowledge (popular culture) 4 (+5), Notice 4 (+6), Pilot 2 (+5), Sense Motive 6 (+8)

**Feats:** Attack Focus (ranged) 2, Attack Specialization (blast), Beginner's Luck, Dodge Focus 2, Move-by Action, Precise Shot, Set-Up

**Powers:** **Blast 7** (metal slugs, Autofire), **Physical Absorption 8** (Healing, Limited to metal projectiles, -2)

**Combat:** Attack +5 (melee), +7 (ranged), +9 (blast), Grapple +6, Damage +1 (unarmed), +7 (blast), Defense +12 (+5 flatfooted), Knockback -2, Initiative +3

**Abilities 24 + Skills 8 (32 ranks) + Feats 9 + Powers 37 + Combat 30 + Saves 9 = Total 117**

Tommy Griffin and his brother Hank lived in one of two apartments above Doctor Michael MacLain's laboratory in Port Regal. Their sister, Shelly, and her husband lived in the other apartment. Tommy swept the floors in the laboratory where "Doc" worked on forging an experimental



super-metal for lighter and stronger ships and planes.

On May 20th, 1942, some Fifth columnists in Freedom City sabotaged the building. Tommy, Hank, and Doc were in the lab when the explosions occurred. Doc died instantly, while Hank tried to shield Tommy from the explosion and the spray of liquid super-metal. Secondary explosions around the building's support columns brought it all down on them, and Shelly died when the upper floors crashed to the ground. Hank shrugged the rubble off of them and he and Tommy crawled from the wreckage, vowing revenge for their family's death. The liquid super-metal changed both of them. Hank's skin and muscles transformed into "living metal," Tommy gained the power to absorb metals and project sprays of metallic projectiles.



Hank and Tommy became the Human Tank and Gunner. They captured the saboteurs who killed Doc and Shelly and turned them over to the military authorities at Lonely Point. Both of them volunteered to use their powers for the war effort and were almost immediately sent to Europe. Once there, Major Richard Monroe assigned them to work with other allied superhumans in the Allies of Freedom, a team under the command of the Allied military commanders.

Tommy was the youngest member of the Allies, and remained a member until its dissolution in 1945. He and Hank both were seriously wounded in the final battle against Nacht-Krieger. Before he passed out from shock, Gunner boasted, "You wouldn't last a minute against the Liberty League, Ratz..." When he regained consciousness, he learned of Lady Celtic's death. He and Hank left England soon after her funeral.

The Human Tank and Gunner helped end the war with Japan and stayed to help the allies restore the country. Both of them fell in love with Japan and its culture, and Gunner actually started developing his powers to project metallic stars like Japanese *shuriken* instead of just "bullets." The Japanese super-agent Crimson Katana murdered both Gunner and his brother in their sleep. Tommy Griffin was only 19 years old.

**LADY CELTIC** **POWER LEVEL 10**

<b>Real Name:</b> Amanda Phipps-Gordon	
<b>Identity:</b> Public	<b>Occupation:</b> Archeologist, mystic
<b>Base of Operations:</b> Freedom City	<b>Affiliation:</b> Allies of Freedom
<b>Height:</b> 5'6"	<b>Eyes:</b> Blue
<b>Weight:</b> 106 lbs.	<b>Hair:</b> Red

<b>STR</b>	<b>DEX</b>	<b>CON</b>	<b>INT</b>	<b>WIS</b>	<b>CHA</b>
+1	+2	+1	+3	+4	+3
12	14	12	16	18	17

<b>TOUGHNESS</b>	<b>FORTITUDE</b>	<b>REFLEX</b>	<b>WILL</b>
+11/+1*	+5	+5	+8

\*without force field

**Skills:** Concentration 8 (+12), Knowledge (arcane lore) 8 (+11), Knowledge (earth sciences) 4 (+7), Knowledge (history) 8 (+11), Knowledge (theology and philosophy) 8 (+11), Language 6 (French, Gaelic, German, Italian, Polish, Russian), Investigate 2 (+5), Notice 4 (+8), Profession (archeologist) 8 (+12), Search 4 (+7), Sense Motive 4 (+8)