



Stylianos Kyriakides Greece, b. 1910

Best time: 2:29:27 (1946)

He embodied the revival of a war-ravaged world, especially starving Greece, with his emotional win at Boston in 1946. Like Pheidippides, he carried a message: "Win or die." He had placed 11th at the 1936 Berlin Olympics, an achievement that twice saved his life under Nazi occupation.

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