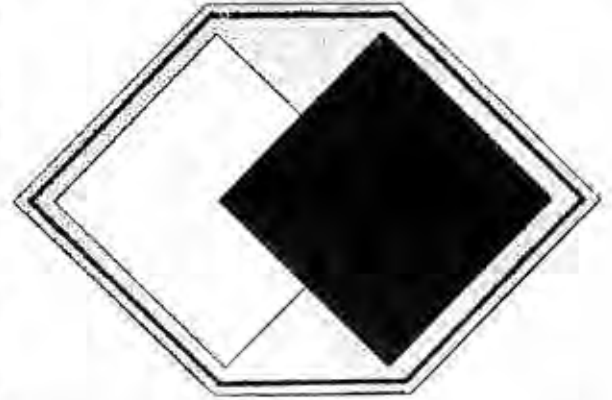


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# President's Corner

Greetings to all Deadeyes and their wives, members of the 96th Infantry Division Association and its Ladies Auxillary:



Dear Deadeyes,

Warm greetings from Southern California.

It is with pride and honor to serve as your president this year. As first order of business the executive committee met in Lubock, Tx. in October to arrange the events for the July, 1995 reunion. I am happy to report that plans are coming along very well with the assistance of our site chairmen Glen Amonett.

This reunion has a special significance since it commemorates the 50th anniversary of the Okinawa campaign. Deadeyes, wives and widows, you have the opportunity to join together at this memorial service to honor those good men we lost then and through the past 50 years. Past President Doug Burton is working with local groups in Lubbock to make this memorial an unforgettable tribute.

An extraordinary tour is planned for you Early Birds, it's a pageant dinner show called "Texas", which is presented during the summer and has been seen by over 2 million people, it is a beautiful show, please do not miss it.

The reunion in Hot Springs was outstanding and we are making every effort to make your stay in Lubbock very memorable.

The Spring issue of the Deadeye Dispatch will ask for reservations for special events, tours, etc.. Call your buddies and get your room reservation form in early. Please pre-register, it saves you and the registration staff an abundance of time.

I look forward on seeing and meeting with you in Lubbock.

Sincerely

Louis J. Cañedo, President  
96th Infantry Division Association

# Auxiliary Corner

**96<sup>th</sup> INF. DIV. ASSN.**

**DEADEYES**  
ANNUAL REUNIONS



Dear Auxiliary Members:

I've spent many hours thinking about our reunion in Hot Springs -- the weather was so beautiful and seeing friends and meeting new people at the reunion from all over. I'm sorry some of our officers had to miss this fun reunion. The weather was so pleasant to leave the hotel and go to eating places and shopping areas. The Southern hospitality made this reunion very memorable.

I want to thank Company K and all Auxiliary members who had confidence in electing me your new President. I will do my best to do what is expected of me.

I wish to thank everyone who planned and made our reunion in Hot Springs so successful. Our luncheon and the banquet were very well planned and decorated.

We also enjoyed a smooth and sunshiny boat trip. The Arkansas warmth matched the warmth of friendships among our Veterans after so many years and coming from all parts of the country. They always hope to meet one more comrade.

I encourage all of you to read your Dispatch, love our country, fly your flags, pray for each other and plan on coming to our reunion next year in Lubbock, Texas.

Sincerely

Dorothy Brehmer, President  
96th Infantry Div. Assoc. Auxiliary

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Edward Jorgenson, Dowaine Kinser, Peter A. Durich, LeRoy Middleton, James Breland

## 25 YEAR CERTIFICATES:

Robert Dianovsky, Thaddeus Pacyna, Donald A. Smith, Fred Weeks, Alvis Harrell, Clarence Cox, Edward Funk, John Massura, Gerald Jacobson

## 30 YEAR CERTIFICATES:

Walter Kleinschmidt, Clarence Rogner

Joe Fritz, Hubert Hoffman, Richard VanEtten and Clarence Snyder have attended all 37 Reunions.

Malinda Baran was presented the "OUR KIND OF GAL" award.

Joe Fritz received the DISTINGUISHED DEADEYE award.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU. People like you are the ones who make the Association as Great as it is.

# notices

The Michigan Chapter of the 96th Infantry Division Association invites all Deadeyes to attend their Annual Reunion in 1995. For further information contact MILO THOMPSON -- 1018 S. Thompson St., Jackson, Mi. 49203-2848

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The Buckeye (Ohio) Chapter of the 96th Infantry Division Association will hold their 1995 reunion the 1st Saturday following Mothers Day in 1995 at the American Legion Post in Marysville, Oh. All Deadeyes and all attached units are welcome. To get on the mailing list please contact RUSSELL WATTS, 5107 Sassafraas Rd., Columbus, Oh. 43229.

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The Northwest Chapter of the 96th Infantry Division Association will hold their 16th Annual Reunion June 4, 1995, at the Old Officer's Clubhouse at Camp Adair, Benton County Park, Corvallis, Or. All Deadeyes and attached personnel are welcome. It will be "POT LUCK" at noon. Arrival time will be 9:30 A.M. to 10:00 A.M. Cecil Williams will host an EARLY BIRD get together at the Ramada Inn., Corvallis, Or. from 3:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M. on June 3, 1995. For more information contact CECIL WILLIAMS -- 1218 King Rd., Winlock, Wa. 9856 or JOHN WYNN -- 221 Lylus Lane, Port Hadlock, Wa. 98339.

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Former members of Co. D or H of the 3654th Service Unit, A.S.T.P. at the University of Wisconsin sent to the 96th Infantry Division who are interest in a reunion June 26, 27 & 28, 1995 please notify ERNEST MALKEWITZ -- 3330 Las Vegas Dr. NE, Belmont, Mi. 49306-9657, Phone (616) 866-1973 or CLARENCE BLESSING, Rt. 2 Box 321, New London, Mo. 63459, Phone (314)985-7166. Persons with knowledge of addresses or deaths, either killed in action or since deceased, please notify us. A letter will be sent to those interested in the reunion with additional details. If from another Company at Wisconsin and sent to the 96th Infantry Division, please feel free to inform us.

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The 96th Infantry Division with the following attached units:

763d Tank Battalion  
51st Portable Surgical Hospital  
96th Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment  
140th Photo Interpreter Team  
3008th Quartermaster Graves Registration Company (3d Platoon)  
67th Portable Surgical Hospital  
1st Information and Historical Service (News Team B)  
206th Ordnance Bomb Disposal Squad  
2212th Pacific Ocean Area Transport Quartermaster Team  
314th Headquarters Intelligence Detachment  
389th Translator Team  
372d Interpreter Team  
344th Interrogator Team  
3255th Signal Service Detachment  
38th Order of Battle Team  
2223d Censorship Detachment

These units distinguished themselves in combat, during the period 1 April 1945 to 30 June 1945, by extraordinary heroism and gallantry in action against the enemy in the conquest of OKINAWA, RYUKYU ISLANDS, JAPAN. On 1 April 1945 the 96th Division made an assault landing on the Hagushi beaches of Okinawa and within three days overcame all resistance in the large Sunabe hill mass which dominated the XXIV Corps' landing beaches. The division then immediately attacked rapidly and skillfully south down the western half of the island, overrunning and destroying or driving in enemy outpost lines and strongpoints guarding the approaches to the main Japanese defense hub at Shuri. By 7 April, the division had penetrated the main outer ring. On 9 April the division initiated a series of attacks against the powerful Japanese defense position at Kakazu Ridge. It was necessary to dig, blast and burn or bury forever the fanatical Japanese defenders. The enemy were destroyed in their holes one by one. By 15 April, the division had gained control of cominant portions of the ridge. On 16 April, the division became an interior division when a third division entered the lines on its right flank. It continued its day after day assaults. Tombstone Hill was seized. Tanabaru and Maeda escarpments were captured. Needle Rock Hill 153 and The Gate were all taken. On 1 May, the division was withdrawn for nine days' rest and for reception and assimilation of replacements totalling over 4,000. On 9 May, the division reentered the lines on the left (east) flank, and began a series of bitter, bloody, hand-to-hand assaults designed to wrest from the Japanese Conical Hill, the vital key to the eastern section of the Shuri battle position. The desperate defenders struck back with all the fire and manpower at their command. Concentrations of artillery and medium and heavy (320 mm) mortar fire were placed upon our lines in densities and durations previously unknown in the Pacific War. By 21 May, the crest and eastern slopes of Conical Hill had been captured, opening an envelopment route to turn Shuri, and frantic and powerful enemy thrusts to regain it were beaten off in fighting of ghastly fury. To the west of Conical Hill, the division captured Sugar Hill and broke through the Shuri line to within 200 yards of the Nahi-Shuri-Yonabaru Road, the enemy's innermost and essential communication line. Loss of Conical Hill doomed the Shuri Position, and the enemy started withdrawal, shortly after its fall, to final positions along the south tip of the island. The division, after mopping up, bypassed infiltrating enemy groups and continued its pursuit of the retreating Japanese. On the final Jap positions on the Yuza-Yaeju-Dake escarpments, the two highest hills were in the zone of the 96th Division. The division assaulted them heroically and with fury which could not be stopped, using the same hand-to-hand, digging, blasting, burning assaults required in earlier engagements. The 96th Division ended its portion of the organized fighting as it began it, constantly closing to bayonet range with a gallantry, heroism and determination to win which carried its attacks forward despite terrible and crippling casualties and physical discomforts almost beyond human endurance. It killed a total of 37,763 of the enemy in 73 days of fighting. Its own battle losses totalled 7,294, including 1,504 killed. The brilliant victories achieved by the 96th Division on Okinawa contributed greatly to the defeat of the large enemy garrison. The esprit, heroism and continuing demonstrations of raw courage throughout the battle exemplified the highest traditions of the military service.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL HODGE:

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1995 Reunion

July 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 1995

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### ARMY LIFE

"All's well that ends Well"

[by Cpl. Clayton Bluse, Camp Adair, Oregon]

We are the boys from the 96th  
Earning our daily pay,  
On the old chain gang  
For a dollar sixty a day,

We have washed a million dishes  
And peeled as many spuds,  
Got our hands all blistered  
From washing dirty duds.

We are out in the brush, with rifle  
Eating dirt and dust,  
Carrying and cleaning a machine gun  
Hoping the darn thing won't rust.

We get up at four in the morning  
To dig in the rock and sand,  
No, we're not convicts yet  
We're defenders of this land.

When we go on maneuvers  
Bend, Oregon is the spot,  
Down there in the sage brush and sand  
A land people almost forgot.

Most of us will think of home  
Most of the people in their best,  
They work and pray for us  
We walk all night with no rest.

But when this old life is over  
And we will work no more,  
And we will do our last dress parade  
In front of so called "General May".

On that day we'll see St.Peter  
He will take one look then yell,  
"Come on you boys from the 96th  
You've spent your time in hell."

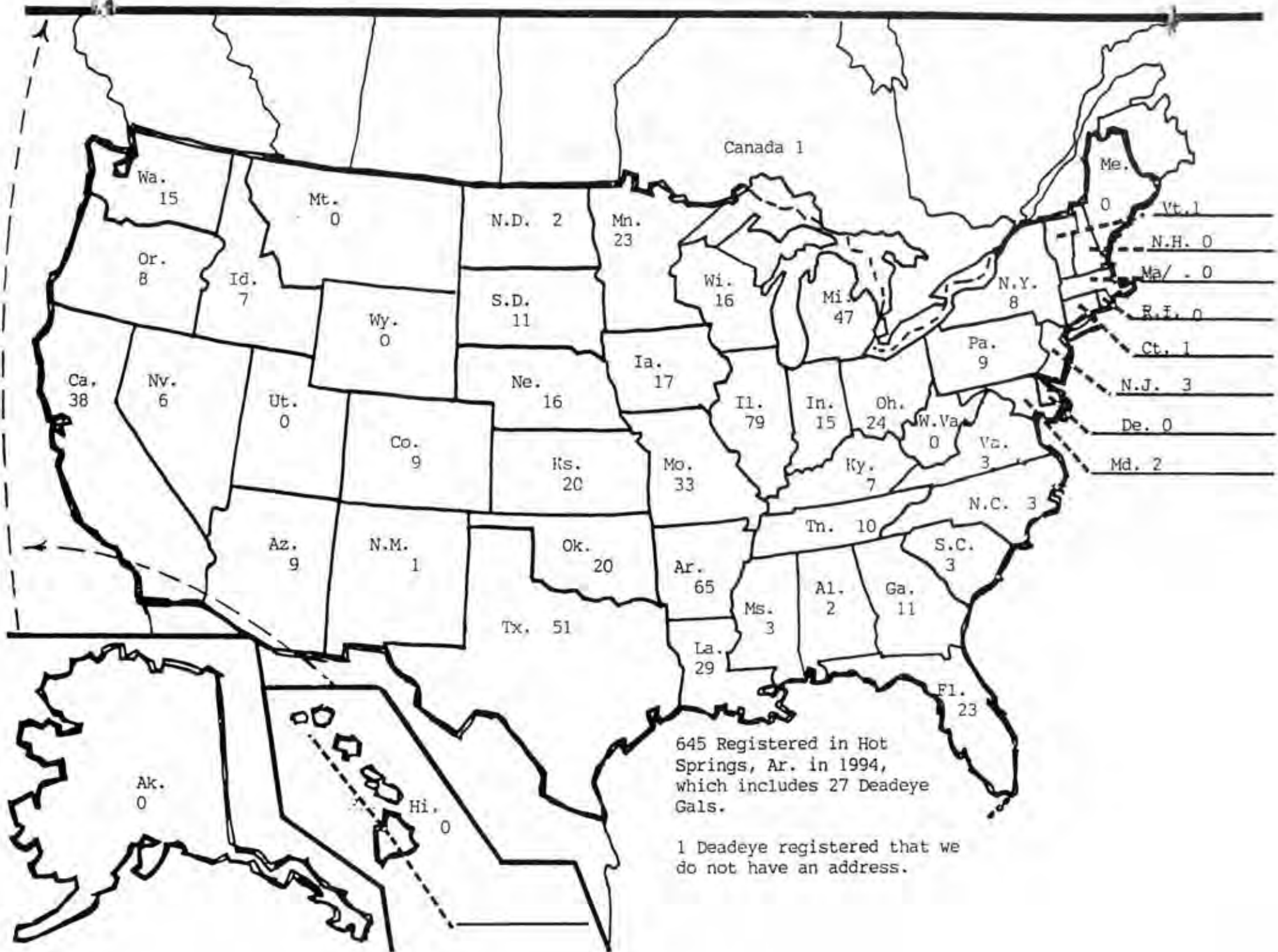
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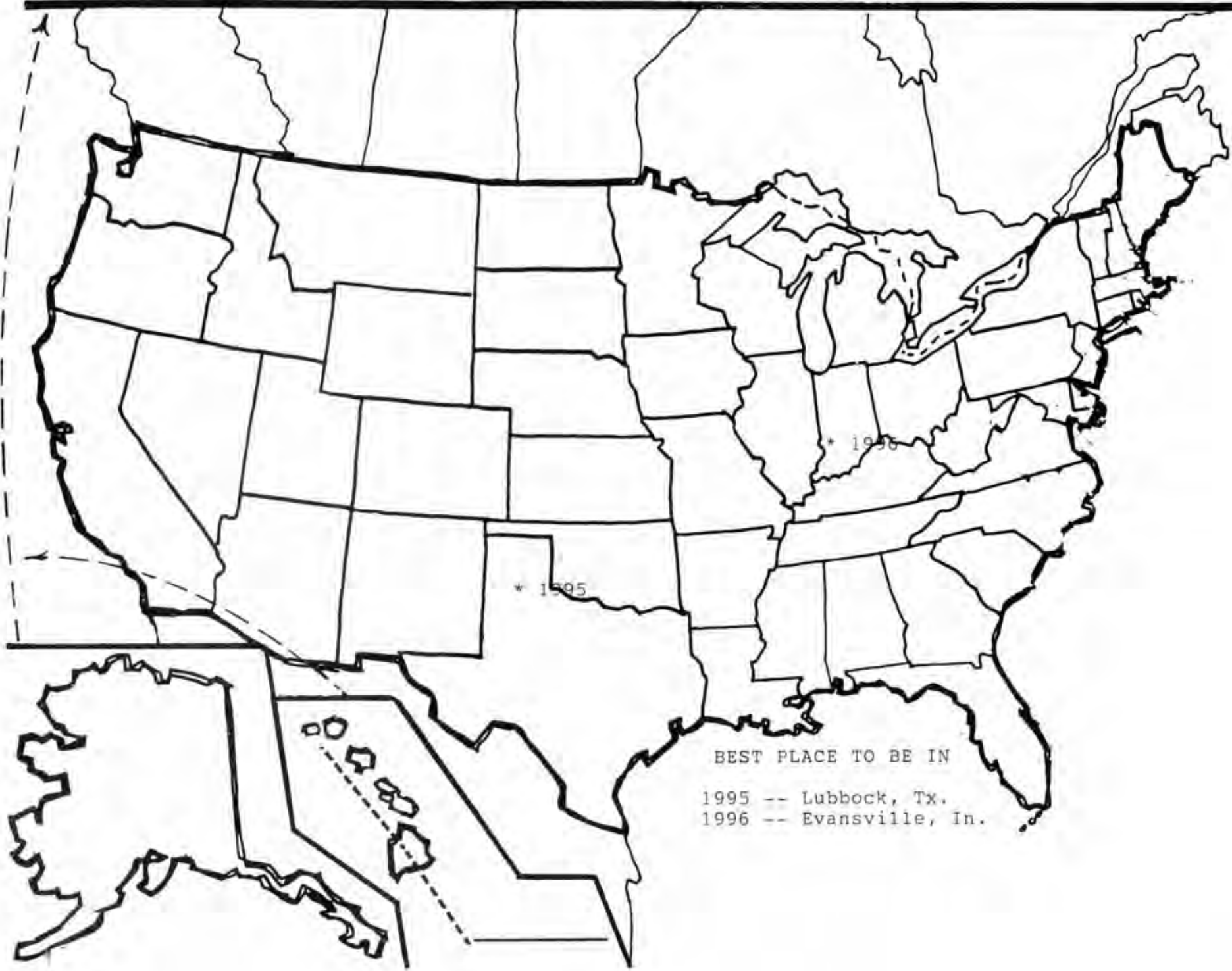
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1963	Little Rock, Ar.	about 200	Jake Fisher
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Four Deadeyes -- Joe Fritz, Hubert Hoffman, Clarence Snyder and Richard Van Etten remember all 37 Reunions and three Deadeyes Gals -- Teresa Hoffman, Elaine Snyder and Mary Lou White have attended all reunions.







BEST PLACE TO BE IN  
1995 -- Lubbock, Tx.  
1996 -- Evansville, In.

## A PONCHO FOR HIS SHROUD

"Bucky" Amelung (C-382) had a too close call with the grave diggers on Okinawa. The snafu that happened nearly a half-century ago got him counted as dead for a while. Even today, as far as he knows, somewhere out there in a military cemetery is supposed to be a grave with his name on it.

Bucky showed up at the reunion in Hot Springs, Arkansas, live and in color.

Back in 1945, The Army did not want to believe Bucky had been resurrected. They had one of his dog tags to show; the other one was presumed to have been wedged in his mouth after he expired. He was redlined on the payroll and his wife's allotment was stopped. His next of kin received a certificate, suitable for framing, bearing the official seal of the United States of America also the signature of President Roosevelt: In grateful memory of Pvt. Alva J. Amelung who died in the service of his country in the Pacific Area, April 10, 1945.

Remember this infamous day and year for those terribly vicious clashes everywhere along the battle line. Only afterwards did Bucky find out more of the big picture and his little bit-part in it.

The enemy installations on Tombstone Ridge dominated the ground across the entire 382d Regimental front. That rainy day had gone badly for the 1st Battalion in particular. At the start Company A had siezed the northern nose of Tombstone Ridge, but it was stopped by small-arms fire from the steep slopes of the ridge and heavy artillery and mortar fire. When Companies B and C swung west to assault by a different route, a concentration of mortar and artillery fire caught them at the crest.

Rifleman Amelung crouched behind a pile of rocks while Company C mortarmen worked to quiet down the Japanese. Artillery shells bracketed his scant cover, then a third shell he never knew anything about exploded. The rock pile that may have been used for an aiming point was knocked down on top of him. His lights went out.

Not clear are the circumstances of Bucky's evacuation from Tombstone Ridge and the medical aid he was given or how he happened to be declared dead. But frozen in time forever in his memory are some moments after consciousness came back the next morning with the sound of a motor running - like an earthmover.

"I seemed to be wrapped up pretty tight in a poncho. I got one eye open. A hole in the poncho let in some daylight, though I couldn't



see what was going on. One arm and one leg was free.

"What about the dog tag I spit out? ... gotta get out of here...!"

"My strength was about used up by the pushing and kicking to start a rip in the poncho, but I got my leg up in the air. Pretty soon a guy on the detail that was digging graves with the bulldozer saw me and trotted over to where I was lying down on a litter bare assed naked except for some gauze patches."

"You're not dead?"

"No."

### FOLLOW-UP

The work detail at the cemetery carried Amelung away from his place amongst the collection of stiffs. A medic transfused 4½ pints of fluid. Wearing pajamas, he was put aboard a C-47 bound for Guam.

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Bucky's most serious damage - head, neck, back and right hand - was sewed up during six days on Guam. While there, a Salvation Army gal wrote a letter for him. Fortunately for the folks in Ohio, that letter arrived before the telegram telling about his death.

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Ambulatory, he was transferred by C-54 hospital plane to the 147th General Hospital near Honolulu. Many Company C men who were also recuperating there did double takes. The consensus: "You're dead."

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Fifteen cables were necessary to convince the War Department that Alva J. Amelung still lived.

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Bucky had been out of the Army for two or three months before he received back pay. His wife's allotment was finally paid in full.

E.E. Dakan



Alva J. Amelung  
2046 Washington St. NW  
Minerva, Ohio 44657



## COOKOUT

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Saturday afternoon grew long while bacon-wrapped fillets sizzled on the grill parked alongside the Convention Center in Hot Springs. Bill Ragland and Mike Savage of Pickett Industries, North Little Rock, tending their smaller charcoal and woodchip fueled unit, hustled to finish the job on close to 1,000 pounds of the finest steak in Arkansas ahead of the rain which dampened the DEADEYE banquet. Probably one of the largest catering services in the State, they and their crew specialize in on-site preparation and serving of steak and chicken.



## EASLEY AND MAY MONUMENTS RESTORATION FUND STATUS AND THANK YOU

A sincere thank you is extended to the 137 Deadeyes and friends who have contributed to the Easley and May Monuments Restoration Fund. Your contributions have been most generous and totaled \$4035.00 as of the end of July. Your contributions are being put to good use and the restored monuments will be rededicated in June 1995.

Additional contributions are needed to purchase and install a bronze plaque at restored monuments Buckner Site. Please send contributions to our Treasurer, Robert Schmidt, 96th Infantry Division Association, 1284 McKusick Rd. Lane N., Stillwater, Mn. 55082-4162

Thanks to all who have helped and contributed to this effort to perpetuate the name of the 96th Infantry Division.

The Ad Hoc Monument Committee  
Don Dencker  
Dick McCarthy  
Alva Smith

## REPORT ON EASLEY AND MAY MONUMENTS RESTORATION

Thanks to the wonderful assistance of our Okinawan friend, Alex Kishaba, the 105th Mobile Naval Construction Battalion, the U. S. Navy is now hard at work on site and foundation work for the restoration of the Brig. General Claudius Easley and Col. Edwin May monuments at the General Buckner battlefield site in Southern Okinawa. The Seabees are generously donating engineering design, construction equipment, supervision and labor to this effort. The Seabees are ably led by Chief Petty Officer Cory Hines, Site Work Manager; Chief George Kohn, Planning; and Commander Robert Phillips Commanding Officer. It is anticipated that the Seabees will finish their work by the end of November, 1994.

Donations to the Monument Restoration Fund are paying for all materials including form lumber, crushed stone, reinforcing steel, redi-mix concrete and its pumping up the hill into the forms.

Alex Kishaba has also been spending much time in our behalf, including work coordination and purchasing of materials incorporated into the project.

After the site is prepared and the monument foundations completed, the U. S. Army has promised to move and set up the monuments at the Buckner Site.

Hopefully all work will be completed by Spring 1995. Pictures should be available for inclusion in the Spring issue of the "Deadeye Dispatch."

Dick McCarthy  
Alva Smith  
Don Dencker

**50th ANNIVERSARY BATTLE OF OKINAWA TOUR**  
**JUNE 19 THROUGH JUNE 26, 1995**

This is an 8 day trip to the Ceremonies and Battlefields on Okinawa, oriented towards areas and events of interest to 96th Infantry Division Veterans. Will include the Easley/ May Monuments Rededication and the Dedication of the large Okinawa Battle Monument on June 23rd. Price, including air transportation from Los Angeles, Hotel, local transportation and some meals is \$2275 per person twin share.

This tour is being organized by a travel agent in California who specializes in battlefield tours. The 96th Infantry Division Association is not involved.

If you are interested, please contact one of the following for a Brochure containing details of the Okinawa Battle Anniversary tour:

Valor Tours, Ltd.  
P.O. Box 1617 - Schoonmaker Bldg.  
Sausalito, CA. 94965  
(415) 332 - 7850

-or-

Don Dencker (A Deadeye)  
740 Pilgrim Trail  
Sun Prairie, WI. 53590-2425

## NEW TREASURER

Robert Schmidt, 1284 McKusick Rd. Lane N., Stillwater, Mn. 55082-4162, was elected Treasurer of the 96th Infantry Division Association in Hot Springs, Ar. in 1994. President Louis J. Canedo appointed Robert Siefert, Rt. 3 Box 463, Deer River, Mn. 56636-9335 to serve as Assistant Treasurer.

Robert Schmidt replaces Edward Dunning, Jr. Edward Dunning was elected Treasurer in Rapid City, S. D. in 1989. He served until the last reunion in Hot Springs. He was unable to attend the reunion due to illness. He spent the most part of 1994 in the hospital and passed away on September 29, 1994.

The 96th Infantry Division Association and the Auxiliary wish to express our Thanks for a job well done, and to extend our sympathy to his wife Ann, and to their family.

All Correspondence and dues should be mailed to Treasurer Robert Schmidt.

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### SOLDIER'S FLAG RETURNED

John Ensor of Oakton, Va. was at the Reunion in Sparks, Nv. Alex Kishaba represented the Ryukyu-American Historical Research Society and asked the Veterans to return wartime souvenirs -- items that could be cultural artifacts or of priceless value to surviving families.

Ensor hesitantly approached him, telling of the flag found in the Philippines, not Okinawa. Kishaba accepted it and, through careful research, found the Ikeda family, Shinjun Oshiro, a former parliamentarian, represented Kishaba and handed Kiyomasa Ikeda his brother's flag.

For a moment, Kiyomasa Ikeda was stolid and composed, a Japanese taught as a child that subtlety and self-containment was the way and displays of emotion were unmannerly.

Then an old battle flag, lost for 50 years, touched his hands. He pressed it to his face like a widow's handkerchief and wept.

"Welcome home, my brother, after all these years.

Recovering after his tearful outburst, Kiyomasa asked an American bystander: "Please tell Ensor-san I am grateful."

\*\*\*This an excerpt from the Pacific Stars and Stripes April 16, 1994.



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Back Row: Don Dencker, Robert Schmidt, Lorraine Strand, Glyn Hollingsworth  
Front Row: Sam Benson, Steve Melnyk, Robert Muehcke, Louis Canedo





**1994-1995 AUXILIARY OFFICERS**

Back Row: Shirley Stryker, Kathryn Chapman, Ruth Siefert, Phyllis Schmidt  
Front Row: Helen Robertson, Susan Johnson, Dorothy Brehmer, Jeannette Rodriquez. Betty Shearer was absent.

THESE DEADEYES, WIDOWS, DAUGHTERS, SISTERS REGISTERED IN HOT SPRINGS, AR. 1994

381 -- HQ

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George Buttell -- Crete, Il.  
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Aloys Kirchoff -- Columbia, Il.  
Antonio Petrella -- Joliet, Il.  
Thomas S. Teague -- Picayune, Ms.  
E. Jaye Thompson -- Mercer Island, Wa.  
Clifford B. Wagner -- Fairfield Bay, Ar.

381 -- ANTI TANK

Bud Beeler -- Newaygo, Mi.  
Harold Bree -- Melbourne, Ky.  
Kelley Caldwell -- Nevada, Mo.  
Florence Carlson(Leonard) - Maple Grove, Mn.  
Charles Cole -- Colorado Springs, Co.  
Edward Foster -- Fremont, Mi.  
Thomas Holiman -- Donaldson, Ar.  
John Kloeppel -- Warrenton, Mo.  
Thomas McRee -- Pasadena, Tx.  
Vernon Paaren -- Clarendon Hills, Il.  
Wayne Roles -- Decatur, Il.  
James Sawicki -- Phoenix, Az.  
Robert Schmidt -- Stillwater, Mn.  
Alexander Trybulski -- Sandford, Mi.  
Earl Williams -- Council Bluffs, Ia.

381 -- SERVICE

Raymond D. Diggs -- Hot Springs, Ar.  
Alvin Nelson -- Fairfield, Ar.

381 -- MEDICS

Marvin J. Anderson -- Viroqua, Qa.  
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Lestel Harvey -- Shelbyville, Mo.  
Norman Thomas -- Fargo, Ok.

381 -- CANNON

LeRoy Collins -- Mercer Island, Wa.  
Louis DeLuca -- Lafayette, Ca.  
George W. Dunn -- Omaha, Ne.  
Walter Fredericks -- Warren, Pa.  
Glenn Hamilton -- Peoria, Il.  
Peter Koenig -- Daytona, Fl.  
Serafin Morichetti -- Hurley, Wi.  
Miles Benton Morris -- Somerville, Tn.

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Cloyce Rucker -- LaCygne, Ks.

381 -- 1st BH

Wallace Brice -- Longview, Tx.  
Harold Brown -- Spokane, Wa.  
Lawrence E. Fisher -- Little Rock, Ar.  
Joseph Picone -- Harahan, La.  
Virgil Thompson -- Coeur D'Alene, Id.

381 -- COMPANY A

Paul Boyer -- St. Marys, Oh.  
Ronald H. Duncan -- Floral, Ar.  
Wilbur Goza -- Texarkansas, Tx.  
Dewey Jones -- Colorado Springs, Co.  
Hans Kaufman -- Baton Rouge, La.  
Mervin Lewis -- Paragould, Ar.  
Albert Schmidt -- Sioux Falls, S.D.  
John Valenzuela -- Ventura, Ca.

381 -- COMPANY B

Loren Brinkmeyer -- ElDorado, Ks.  
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Dean A. Jincks -- Ridgeway, Mo.  
Johnnie Mathews -- Bastrop, La.  
Tony M. Palmer -- Sasakwa, Ok.

381 -- COMPANY C

Jimmie Albert -- Fritch, Tx.  
Lawrence Albert -- Wichita, Ks.  
John Baran -- Hot Springs, Ar.  
James B. Causey -- Liberty, Ms.  
Elmer Chapman -- Memphis, Tn.  
Enio Filla -- LaCenter, Wa.  
Leslie Freeman -- Symonsia, Ky.  
Melvin Gill -- Jackson, Mi.  
David Grimm -- Lewisburg, Pa.  
Alex Kurak -- Minneapolis, Mn.  
Forest May -- Ormond Beach, Fl.  
Phillip Newell -- Willits, Ca.  
Arvel Norris -- Little Rock, Ar.  
Okie Reynolds -- Sheridan, Ar.  
Roy F. Rowe -- Hatfield, Ar.  
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Harold Stryker -- Victor, N.Y.  
Robert Swart -- Cordell, Ok.

Richard Wahlstrom -- Wayzata, Mn.  
Kenneth Weaver -- McAlester, Ok.

381 -- COMPANY D

Clyde Ed Angles -- Chillicothe, Oh.  
William Arvin -- Delphi, In.  
Sam Benson -- Hewitt, Tx.  
Nelton Duncan -- Wynne, Ar.  
Edgar Jaswein -- Alsip, Il.  
William Johnson -- Concord, Ca.  
Paul Lambrix -- Olympia, Wa.  
S. W. Sax -- Rock Island, Il.  
Earl Thompson -- Newtown, Mo.  
Raymond Wahl -- Huron, S. D.

381 -- 2nd BH

Al Altig -- Hemet, Ca.  
Ed Elliott -- Declo, Id.  
Robert Kline -- LeRoy, Il.

381 -- COMPANY E

Wallace Archer -- Sarcovie, Mo.  
Raymond Boyken -- Noble, Ok.  
Troy Burk -- Battle Ground, Wa.  
Douglas Burton -- Selma, Ca.  
Louis Canedo -- San Diego, Ca.  
Jacquelyn Carpenter(Jack) -- Flushing, Mi.  
Joe Fritz -- Beatrice, Ne.  
Fred Hagelgan -- Pasenda, Md.  
Richard Haglund -- Steilacom, Wa.  
James E. Henly -- W. St. Paul, Mn.  
Gerald H. Jacobsen -- Minneapolis, Mn.  
James Knight -- Nelsonville, Oh.  
Jack Pintacura -- Flint, Mi.  
Percy Poche -- Springfield, La.  
Robert Siefert -- Deer River, Mi.  
Lloyd Stubbs -- Prima, Ar.  
Lloyd E. Tomcal -- Chesaning, Mi.  
Orville Towne -- Muskegon, Mi.

381 -- COMPANY F

John Holt -- Indianapolis, In.  
Bill Williams -- Pomona, Ca.

381 -- COMPANY G

Terril Beall -- Jacksonville, Ar.  
Harold Bute -- Austin, Mn.  
Francis Horejo -- Twin Falls, Id.  
Richard Means -- Durham, N.C.  
Arden Pridgeon -- St. Joseph, Mi.

Jack R. Robertson -- Wichita, Ks.  
Hube Schneider -- Glendale, Wi.  
James Sturgis -- Berkley, Mi.  
Jack Summers -- Carlton, Mn.  
R. C. White -- Macon, Ga.

381 -- COMPANY H

Vojko Bariciv -- New Orleans, La.  
Julia Barnett(Matt) -- Mt. Pleasant, Tx.  
A. M. Bartzat -- Eugene, Or.  
George Caswell -- Odessa, Tx.  
William Fahrney -- Clackamas, Or.  
Ray Gullickson -- Austin, Mn.  
Q. L. Lockenour -- Yukon, Ok.  
Betty Maples(Roy) -- Sedalia, Mo.  
Robert Maxwell -- Chicago, Il.  
Paul Nicholson -- Abilene, Ks.  
Alfred Weiss -- Teaneck, N.J.

381 -- 3rd BH

Saveria Calderera -- Houston, Tx.  
Frank Green -- Sarasota, Fl.  
Sylvester Heinen -- Seneca, Ks.  
Howard Miles -- Princeton, Il.  
John Obal -- Omaha, Ne.  
Arthur Reis -- Cicero, Il.  
Fred Sears -- Clearwater, Fl.  
T. H. Underhill -- Bakersfield, Ca.  
Ray Williams -- Hammond, In.

381 -- COMPANY I

Kurt Bender -- No. Little Rock, Ar.  
Walter Bodem -- Indianapolis, In.  
Ed DeWitt -- Luther, Mi.  
Frank Dowell -- New Port Richey, Fl.  
Edward Emerson -- ? ? ?  
Paul Foster -- Topeka, Ks.  
Vera S. Gehris(Wilmer) -- Clarence, Ia.  
Robert Nelson -- Lincoln, Ne.  
Thaddeus Pacyna -- Independence, Oh.  
Oren E. Scott -- Pawnee, Il.  
N. Servi -- Taylorville, Il.  
Don Spence -- Concord, Ca.  
Roger Stevens -- Wichita, Ks.  
Kelly Wong -- Portland, Or.  
Lyle A. Worthy -- Atwood, Ks.  
Arthur Ziomek -- Chicago, Il.

381 -- COMPANY K

Howard Anderson -- Topeka, Ks.  
Jack D. Anderson -- Alexander, Ar.

James E. Breland -- Langston, Al.  
Floyd Brehmer -- Madison, Mn.  
James Boaz -- Ava, Mo.  
Herchel E. Cash -- Amity, Mo.  
Stephen Cheney -- Middleberg, Fl.  
George D. Colbert -- Cadiz, Ky.  
Herbert Fish -- Ft. Myers, Fl.  
George Earley -- St. Cloud, Fl.  
James Large -- Aberdeen, Wa.  
Alf. W. Larson -- Naples, Fl.  
Carroll Morehead -- Prewcott, Ar.  
Collier J. Nance -- Monette, Ar.  
Stanley Smith -- Coggan, Ia.  
J. D. Steenberger -- Cave City, Ky.

#### 381 -- COMPANY L

Theo Chrisman -- Hallsville, Tx.  
George Frazier -- Chicago, Il.  
Arnold Lockyer -- Marshall, Mi.  
Steve Melnyk -- Detroit, Mi.  
Charles Simon -- Mansura, La.  
Don Tolliver -- Vincennes, In.  
Carl Weber -- St. Louis, Mo.  
Ray Wisdom -- Murfreesboro, Ar.

#### 381 -- COMPANY M

Virginia Alberts(Harm) -- Culbertson, Ne.  
Gerald D. Bear -- Flushing, Mi.  
Charles Beydler -- Cantonment, Fl.  
John Blake -- Hartford, Ct.  
Calvin Claus -- Evanston, Il.  
Gilbert Cranberg -- Des Moines, Ia.  
Joseph Garabedian -- Fresno, Ca.  
Jim Glasscock -- Tulia, Tx.  
Joe A. Gonzales -- San Diego, Ca.  
James Hendricks -- Jacksonville, Il.  
Glyn E. Hollingsworth -- Germantown, Tn.  
Darrell Lundberg -- San Diego, Ca.  
Ernest Malkewitz -- Belmont, Mi.  
Harry Nogle -- Sasakwa, Ok.  
Jerry Ohm(Sister of Guy Goen)  
Richfield, Wi.  
Thomas Perrin -- Columbia, Mo.  
John Purcell -- Alma, Il.  
Velera Sawyers(Homer) -- Plainville, Ks.  
Lorraine Strand(Harold) -- Glenwood, Ia.  
Harold Williams -- West Branch, Ia.

#### 382 -- HQ.

Henry Ahrenholz -- Mequon, Wi.  
George Banning -- Spirit Lake, Ia.  
Goodman Eisenberg -- St. Cloud, Mo.  
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Edward Jorgenson -- Mountain Home, Ar.  
Forrest Kirby -- Hermitage, Ar.  
Al Mannus -- Portage, In.  
Lester S. Smith -- Golden, Il.

#### 382 -- ANTI TANK

Jack Abbott -- Shawnee, Ok.  
Edward Bennett -- Dearborn, Mi.  
William G. Davis -- Wynne, Ar.  
Louis Fox -- Farmington, Mi.  
Richard Graves -- Pine Bluff, Ar.  
Lawrence Hartman -- Brandon, S. D.  
Ralph Hettick -- Palmyra, Il.  
Percy Jones -- Wisconsin Dells, Wi.  
Floyd Looper -- Bismarck, Ar.  
Ed Ludwig -- Forreston, Il.  
Carlos Oropez -- San Diego, Ca.  
Paul Pittsley -- Blue River, Wi.  
Anthony Skaronea -- Mundelein, Il.  
William Smedley -- Murfreesboro, Ar.  
Renwyn Triplett -- Middletown, Va.  
Howard F. Tway -- Hot Springs Village, Ar.  
Joseph L. Wells -- Benton, Ar.

#### 382 -- CANNON

Jess F. McDonald -- Orange, Tx.  
Aaron J. Shaw -- Chatsworth, Ca.  
Fletcher Veach -- San Antonio, Tx.  
Howard Wright -- Livingston, La.

#### 382 -- SERVICE

Norma Bauer(Paul) -- Altamont, Il.  
Louis Tolliday -- Decatur, Il.

#### 382 -- MEDICS

Mike Misko -- Livonia, Mi.  
Stewart R. Taylor -- Decatur, Il.  
Charles Whitfill -- Hot Springs Village, Ar.

#### 382 -- 1st PH

N O N E



382 -- COMPANY A

Ferdened (?) Davis -- Struthers, Oh  
 Tom Panagoulas -- Millbrae, Ca.  
 Frederick Slaven -- Struthers, Oh.  
 Harvey Webb -- Denison, Tx.

382 -- COMPANY B

Ruth Broschk(William) Columbia  
 Station, Oh.  
 Cy R. Diamond -- Great Neck, N.Y.  
 Harry Griffith -- Urbana, Mo.  
 Roy Holmes -- Memphis, Tn.  
 Eleanor Markus (Alex) O'Fallion, Mo.

382 -- COMPANY C

Alva Amelung -- Minerva, Oh.  
 Bill Ballard -- Seagonville, Tx.  
 Glen L. Brooks -- Cody, Ne.  
 Henry Callihan -- Houston, Tx.  
 Whitney Champagne -- Lake Charles, La.  
 Van Champion(Atwell) -- Baton Rouge, La.  
 John Chuba -- Yucaipa, Ca.  
 Gerald Craig -- Burton Mi.  
 Richard Ellis -- Athens, Mi.  
 James Fluty -- Oklahoma City, Ok.  
 John Harkins -- St. Paul, Mn.  
 John Hawkins -- Thornville, Oh.  
 Peter Henz -- Arlington, Tn.  
 John Kinkley -- St. Marys, Oh.  
 Walter Kleinschmidt -- Jacksonville, Il.  
 Neil Potter -- Griswold, Ia.  
 Thomas Roby -- Watertown, S. D.  
 Alvin Rose -- Acworth, Ga.  
 Robert Russell -- Curtis, Ne.  
 Edward Sellers -- Chicago, Il.  
 Francisco Sotelo -- Sunnyvale, Ca.  
 Marvin Strickland -- Elberfield, In.  
 Mary Thompson(Francis) -- Ft. Worth, Tx.  
 John Ulman -- Hudson, Wi.  
 Albert B. Ward -- Fishers, In.

382 -- COMPANY D

Genita Apple(Aubrey) -- Dardanelle, Ar.  
 Don Bloom -- Monroe, Wi.  
 John Bornang -- Rapid City, S.D.  
 T. W. Dohl -- Venice, Fl.  
 Charles B. Gustus -- Homestead, Fl.  
 Faye Hilt (?) -- Blanchard, La.  
 Edward S. Hrubey -- No. Royalton, Oh.  
 Mark Ralph -- Napavine, Wa.  
 Alton Roberts -- Conyers, Ga.  
 Arnold Sauber -- Dundas, Mn.  
 Vester Wroten -- Forrest City, Ar.

382 -- 2nd BH

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 Philip Burnes -- Winnsboro, S.C.  
 Walter Cohen -- Austin, Tx.  
 Arthur E. Cross -- Belton, Tx.  
 Sherman Deckrow -- Palmette, Fl.  
 Robert Dianovsky -- Chicago, Il.  
 Ernest Ganaway -- Patterson, La.  
 Rudy Luptak -- Bloomingdale, Il.  
 Marcel Oubre -- Donaldsonville, La.  
 Marcella Thiesen -- Upsala, Mn.  
 Harold Wagner -- Chicago, Il.  
 Alfred Wasinger -- Franktown, Co.

382 -- COMPANY E

Harold Blazier -- Portland, Or.  
 Vernon Duncan -- Jacksonville, Fl.  
 Raymond Greer -- No. Little Rock, Ar.  
 Max Harbison -- Tulsa, Ok.  
 Talmadge Lively -- Nederland, Tx.  
 Bill Parham -- Ada, Ok.  
 Tyson Shelton -- Elk City, Ok.  
 Irene Snyder(Jesse) -- Bellevue, Mi.  
 Albert S. Wilson -- Gordon, Ga.  
 Anthony Zambo -- River Rouse, Mi.

382 -- COMPANY F

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 St. Joe, Ar.  
 Henry Armstrong -- Castle, Wa.  
 Sam Bonacci -- Omaha, Ne.  
 John Boyack -- Vacaville, Ca.  
 Ino DeRoss -- Weed, Ca.  
 Charles Harmany -- Allentown, Pa.  
 John Kent -- Battle Creek, Mi.  
 Anthony Lovsen -- Willoughy, Oh.  
 Lloyd Miceli -- Kenner, La.  
 Edward Mockrist -- Greenville, S.C.  
 Harvey Myers -- Camden, Ar.  
 Brandon Neal -- Cambria, Ca.  
 Russell Packard -- Saginaw, Mi.  
 Wayne Page -- DeSmet, S.D.  
 Robert Rachal -- Lena, La.  
 Demoie Willis(Charles) -- Pindall, Ar.  
 Rolland Zech -- Sandusky, Oh.

382 -- COMPANY G

Albert Adkisson -- Decaturville, Tn.  
 Glen Amonett -- Petersburg, Tx.  
 John Caulley -- Clinton Twp., Mi.  
 William Earle -- Orlando, Fl.  
 Richard Jones -- Roseville, Ca.



Gwen Martin(Thomas) -- Creston, Wa.  
Robert Massey -- Kennedale, Tx.  
Melvin Parrish -- Commerce City, Co.  
Loland Simon -- Maurice, La.  
Arza G. Smalley -- Alexandris, Va.  
Ronald Stabnow -- Battle Lake, Mn.  
Marshall E. White -- Lake Charles, La.

382 -- COMPANY H

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Morton Greene -- Decatur, Il.  
Robert Hendricks -- Stephens, Mi.  
Elwyn Hollenbeck -- Manchester, Mi.  
W. James Hunt -- McCleary, Wa.  
Raymond Lewis -- Roland, Ar.  
Norman Schram -- Rogers, Ar.  
James H. Short -- Berkley, Ca.  
Don VanDoornick -- Hamilton, Mi.

382 -- 3rd BH

Melvin Bost -- Lockport, Il.  
Floyd Terranova -- River Ridge, La.  
Leonard F. Weber -- Friend, Ne.

382 -- COMPANY I

Alton Berger -- Westby, Wi.  
Charles Frazier -- Beach Grove, In.  
Leon H. Miles -- Hot Springs, Ar.  
Ralph G. VanOrsdal -- Longview, Tx.

382 -- COMPANY K

Cledith Bourdeau -- Coalinga, Ca.  
George Brooks -- Kalamazoo, Mi.  
Frank H. Brown -- Gatlinburg, Tn.  
George Cale -- Germantown, Tn.  
Wilbur Fite -- San Antonio, Tx.  
Andrew C. Garber -- Hobart, In.  
John T. Hickerson -- Belton, Tx.  
Leonard Huff -- Riveria, Tx.  
Jesse L. Johnson -- No. Little Rock, Ar.  
Len Lacerick -- Croydon, Pa.  
Mary Pavell(Anthony) -- Monticello, In.  
Russell Pohle -- Angels Ca.  
Robert Seiler -- Portland, Or.  
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Elmer Volness -- Fargo, N.D.  
Riley Walling -- Sequim, Wa.  
John Walsh -- Larkspur, Ca.  
Clete Wiest -- Long Beach, Ca.  
Edwin Wright -- Rogersville, Mo.

382 -- COMPANY L

Don Denecker -- Sun Prairie, Wi.  
James Foster -- Alexandria, Oh.  
Robert Glassman -- Hays Ks.  
Tom Leach -- Bella Vista, Ar.  
Michael Moroz -- Mt. Laurel, N.J.  
A. V. Smith -- San Juan Capistrano, Ca.  
Earl Sonnenberg -- Rockton, Il.

382 -- COMPANY M

Samuel Avery -- Frankford, In.  
Manuel Barroso -- Depue, Il.  
Eugenio Gonzales -- Eagle Pass, Tx.  
Robert H. Johnson -- Chicago, Il.  
Stanley E. Land -- Beverly Hills, Fl.  
William Procknow -- Oxford, Wi.  
Fred Weeks -- Sycamore, Il.

383 -- HQ.

Olan F. Hill -- Surprise, Az.  
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383 -- ANTI TANK

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383 -- MEDICS

Bill Bunevich -- Rocky River, Oh.  
Garnol Coppock -- Little Rock Ar.  
William J. Horton -- Portsmouth, Oh.  
Ernest Martinez -- Conyers, Ga.

383 -- CANNON

Jack Cross -- Eldorado, Ar.  
Don Emswiller -- Bonham, Tx.  
Lester Guengerich -- Sun Lakes, Az.

383 -- SERVICE

Tommy Eurchfield -- Houston, Tx.  
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Robert Meyers -- Homewood, Il.

383 -- 1st BH

Jack R. Barron -- Waterford, Mi.  
Norma Barth(Victor) -- Toledo, Oh.  
Newell Hamilton -- Mesa, Az.  
Iden Johnson -- Grinnell, Ia.  
Robert N. McMillan - Springdale, Ar.  
Ed Nowicki -- Dearborn, Mi.

383 -- COMPANY A

William Cox -- McAlester, Ok.  
Grady Daniels -- Granbury, Tx.  
Robert Huff -- Indianapolis, In.  
Burton W. Michel -- Naperville, Il.  
George Robertson -- Cambridge, N.Y.

383 -- COMPANY B

Charles Bertrand -- Cameron, La.  
Clarence Blessing -- New London, Mo.  
Arvin Bowman -- Shelbyville, Ky.  
Ernest Gerstner -- Atlanta, Ga.  
Harold Hammond -- Lenexia, Ks.  
George Hannig -- Chicago, Il.  
Richard McCarthy -- Coos Bay, Or.  
Don Oberlander -- Mountain Home, Ar.  
Gerald Stewart -- Santa Fe., N.M.  
Elmer Sweeter -- Canton, S.D.  
Frank Switzer -- Danville, Il.

383 -- COMPANY C

Spencer A. Bullard -- Lakewood, Co.  
Cecil Collier -- Shobonier, Il.  
John A. Cook -- Lisle, Il.  
Walter Egelund -- Two Harbors, Mn.  
John Ensor -- Oakton, Va.  
Corby Glen Harris -- Little Rock, Ar.  
Leslie Mund -- Salmond, Id.  
L. T. Stinnett -- Rock Island, Il.  
Frank Vicha -- Hot Springs, Ar.

383 -- COMPANY D

Blaire Barton -- Medina, Oh.  
Peter Durich -- Morton Grove, Il.  
Jeff Moore -- Dallas, Tx.  
Ralph Murphy -- Rogers, Ar.  
S. W. Roedl -- Mason, Il.  
Gordon Ryan -- Troy, Mi.  
Earl Zinc -- Algiers, La.

383 -- 2nd BH

Charles Branson -- Winfield, Ks.  
Charles Cunningham -- Kingston, Tn.  
Wilfield Griggs -- Florien, La.  
Reino Jurvelin -- Coeur D'Alene, Id.  
Steven O'Connell -- Fenton, Mi.  
Jack Roe -- Exton, Pa.  
Johnnie Sain -- Kingston, Ok.  
Larry Winters -- Montrose, Co.

383 -- COMPANY E

David Bowen -- Spence, Oh.  
Kenneth Carter -- Baltimore, Md.  
Jacy E. Halsey -- Prescott, Ar.  
William Hood -- Pittsburg, Ks.  
Pursel Pepper -- Grand Rapids, Mi.  
Marilla Rice(Everett) --  
Davenport, Ia.  
Walter VanCoille -- Rock Island, Il.

383 -- COMPANY F

Bernard Baar -- Grand Rapids, Mi.  
Herbert Bate -- Glen Ellyn, Il.  
Russell Black -- Charleson, Il.  
Mercer Carey -- East Jordon, Mi.  
Orrie Gruwell -- Mountain Ranch, Ca.  
Henry Haynes -- Auburn, Ne.  
Robert E. Hunton -- Lincoln, Ar.  
Quenton Z. Mortensen -- Albion, Ne.  
Robert Muehrcke -- Oak Brook, Il.  
Alvin Sellers -- Philadelphia, Pa.  
Irving Soderlund -- Marietta, Ga.  
Keith Trowbridge -- Manhattan, Ks.

383 -- COMPANY G

Orville Caspers -- Swaledale, Ia.  
John Cramer -- Dixon, Il.  
Ivan Davis -- Coyville, Ks.

383 -- COMPANY H

Emil Balducci -- Westmont, Il.  
Jerry Connolly -- Garden City, N.Y.  
Estel Dawson -- Long Beach, Ca.  
Edward Herrick -- Lansing, Il.  
Mike Martz -- Yorkville, Il.  
Charles Ronzio -- Kitchener, Ontario  
Howard Stock -- Long Tree, Ia.  
Frederick Wildinson -- Lake Charles, La.  
Dick Williams -- Moscow, Id.

383 -- 3rd BH

George R. Aden -- St. Louis, Mo.  
Howard Bentley -- McDermont, Oh.  
Joy Lampen -- Hamilton, Mi.  
Jack Loftus -- Missouri Valley, Ia.  
John Massura -- Chicago, Il.  
Lloyd T. Miller -- Abilene, Tx.  
Nels G. Olson -- Huron, S.D.  
Tony Terites -- Crown Point, In.

383 -- COMPANY I

Harry Brown -- Ballwin, Mo.  
Herman Cluborn -- Rising Star, Tx.  
Melvin Coobs -- Boise, Id.  
Leonard Freeman -- Stratford, Ok.  
Walter Frickey -- Hastings, Ne.  
Tyrus Harbert -- Grand Junction, Co.  
Daniel Hart -- College Park, Ga.  
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Charley Lee -- Lake Charles, La.  
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Cecil Phillips -- Memphis, Tn.  
C. L. Snyder -- Shenandoah, Ia.  
Oscar Swanson -- Minneapolis, Mn.  
A. Bob VonHolle -- Wilca Hills, Ky.  
Charles Weldler -- Paradise Valley, Az.  
Mary Lou White(Henry) -- Mackinaw, Il.

383 COMPANY K

Herman Buffington -- Jefferson, Ga.  
George Buston -- Forest, Oh.  
Ray Emmons -- Eugene, Or.  
Willie B. Holeman -- Rose Bud, Ar.  
Paschal King -- Kingston, N.C.  
Marvin C. Reames -- Kingfisher, Ok.  
Margaret Rhodes(sister of Charles)  
St. Elmo, Il.  
Kenneth Staley -- Schenectady, N.Y.  
Glen Stewart -- San Carlos, Ca.  
Ray Strinski -- Green Bay, Wi.  
Ed Uscinowicz -- Westland, Mi.  
Herbert Wolf -- Waitsfield, Vt.  
Mary Wood(Sam) Spartanberg, S.C.  
Arthur Young -- Clarkesville, Ga.

383 -- COMPANY L

Peter Croft -- San Antonio, Tx.  
Harold Edwards -- Sioux City, Ia.  
David M. Elliott -- Alexandria, La.  
John E. Keller -- McAlester, Ok.

Vernon L. Larson -- Westby, Wi.  
Elvira Leal(Ruben) -- Dallas, Tx.  
John Murrah -- Chandler, Tx.  
Milton Rezac -- Weston, Ne.  
Milton Shepsky -- Mesa, Az.  
Bob Snodgrass -- Pitman, N. J.  
Billy Stubbs -- Ayr, Ne.  
James Warren -- Fairbault, Mn.

383 -- COMPANY M

Robert Allen -- Elliott, Ia.  
George Cowan -- Alton, Il  
Roy P. Davis -- Amarilla, Tx.  
Kenneth Dolan -- Danver, Co.  
Edward Funk -- Muskegon, Mi.  
Gottlieb Hardt -- Palatine, Il.  
Martha Holman(Eugene) -- Princeton, Mo.  
Perry Pederson -- No. Branch, Mn.  
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Lawrence Ulrich -- Cincinnati, Oh.

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Ellis Hosbach -- Pethel Park, Pa.

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Anthony Dombrowski -- Buffalo, N.Y.

DIVISION ART.

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Donald Foster -- Topeka, Ks.

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William Foremiller -- Chicago, Il.  
James E. Stanek -- Hillsboro, Wi.

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William Strain -- Arkadelphia, Ar.  
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Emmett Dunaway -- Omaha, Ne.  
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Hubert Hoffman -- Wichita, Ks.  
Paul Jukuri -- Westland, Mi.  
Clarence Keegstra -- Grand Rapids, Mi.  
George Lisle -- St. Louis, Mo.  
John Minock -- Holland, Mi.  
Marvin Nelson -- Superior, Wi.  
Lee Schaefer -- Pissburg, Pa.  
Harold Straube -- Marine, Il.  
Jacob P. Tatman -- Donaldsonville, La.  
Warren Terry Sheboygan Falls, Wi.  
Wallace Walters -- Omaha, Ne.

### 921 FA

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Ambrose Hermann -- Muscatine, Il.  
John Johnson -- Thousand Oaks, Ca.  
Dowaine Kinser -- Red Oak, Ia.  
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John Morelock -- Chicago, Il.  
Howard C. Pitts -- Kansas City, Mo.  
Herman Sieve -- Washington, Mo.  
Daniel Smith -- Shelbyville, Il.

### 361 -- FA

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Nelson Brink -- Hennessey, Ok.  
Kenneth Camp -- Bethany, Mo.  
Hans N. Cary -- Becker, Mn.  
William Dazey -- San Antonio, Tx.  
Donald R. Downs -- Mt. Vernon, Mo.  
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Val Heinrich -- Sarasota, Fl.  
Roman Klimkowicz -- North Olmsted, Oh.  
Karl Knutson -- Purposky, Mn.  
Leslie Lusk -- Monmouth, Or.  
Clyde W. McGuire -- Oregon, Mo.  
Charles Moynihan -- Fremont, Ca.  
James, Muse -- Scott, Ar.  
Neil Nelson -- Pontiac, Mi.  
Harold Rabine -- New Baltimore, Mo.  
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James Russell -- Houston, Tx.  
O. L. Thornbrugh -- Wyandotte, Ok.  
Richard VanEtten -- Toledo, Oh.

### 362 -- FA

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Eugene Dye -- Sacramento, Ca.  
Oliver Haecker -- San Antonio, Tx.  
Byron Hickerson -- Belton, Tx.  
George Kearney -- Franklinton, N.C.  
Ira Lambert -- Abilene, Tx.  
Charles Lynch -- Independence, Mo.  
LeRoy Middleton -- Jonesboro, Ar.  
Roy C. Todd -- Hot Springs, Ar.  
Mitchell Tottis -- Scottsdale, Az.  
Charles Visocki -- Spring Hill, Fl.

### 363 -- FA

Frank Hays -- Washington, Ar.  
Merwin Hill -- Verona, Il.  
Clyde Hughes -- Hot Springs, Ar.  
R. L. Minnich -- Longview, Tx.

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Asa C. Winchester -- Noel, Mo.



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 Alfred J. Larour -- Lafayette, La.  
 Earl F. Machart -- Burbank, Il.  
 Edward Martin -- Chaffee, Mo.  
 Clarence Moes -- St. Paul, Mn.  
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 Eric Tengerstrom -- Cicero, Il.  
 Elmer Winter -- Jackson, Mn.

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769 ORD.

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## THANKS DEADEYES &amp; DEADEYE GALS

I again wish to thank all of you for the support and words of encouragement. A big THANK YOU to those of you who have contributed to the "Deadeye Dispatch." Without your contributions of articles, letters and pictures the Dispatch would not be what it is today.

It is now getting to the time of year when so many of you travel for the winter. PLEASE make arrangements to have your Dispatch either saved for you or forwarded to you. There were too many returned last year marked "TEMPORARILY AWAY." Each one returned costs 35¢. Postage costs have gotten so high that we can no longer send additional copies to those who have forgotten to have their addresses changed or are temporarily away, unless you send postage.

Be sure to send in your room reservations early so that you will be assured of a room in the Headquarters Hotel.

JOIN THE ACTION and ENJOY THE FUN July 26, 27, 28 and 29, 1995 in LUBBOCK, TX.

YA' ALL COME.

Lorraine Strand



*I'm A New Member*

*I see you at the meetings  
But you never say "Hello",  
You're busy all the time you're there  
With those you already know.*

*I sit among the people  
Yet I'm a lonesome guy:  
The "new members" are as strangers  
And the "Old Timers" pass me by.*

*But darn it, you people asked me in  
And you talked of fellowship.  
You could just step across the room,  
But you never make the trip*

*Why can't you nod and say "Hello",  
Or stop and shake my hand,  
Then go and sit among your friends  
Now that I understand*

*I'll be at your next meeting  
Perhaps a nice morning to spend,  
Do you think you could introduce yourself,  
I want to be your friend.*

*Hey Guys!  
The Deadeye  
Who Keeps  
Up His Mem-  
bership is the  
Backbone of  
the Outfit!*



*Your Buddies Need You*

NOTICE

96th Infantry Division Association blue and white caps may be ordered from Douglas Burton, 11279 S. Fowler Ave., Selma, Ca. 93662. The cost is \$6.00 postpaid. The caps will also be for sale at the reunion. The cost there is \$5.00. All profits will be placed in the Association treasury.

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I am enclosing the annual dues for myself and my wife. Sorry we were unable to attend the reunion in Hot Springs, although we surely would like to be there. My present health condition does not permit me to travel any distance from home and my various doctors. Thanks to all you people who keep this reunion going. We look forward to receiving the Deadeye Dispatch, and read it from cover to cover. Many thanks to the editors and all involved. GREETINGS to all, especially those from the 361st F.A. Battery "C", with whom I served on the invasions of Leyte and Okinawa.

Lloyd P. Zenk  
4401 Parklawn Ave. #201  
Minneapolis, Mn. 55435-4630

Since you Good Guys have been so active and persistent in keeping me informed about the "96th", I thought it's about time I send in my membership application. Keep up the excellent work, and I will surely try to make a future reunion.

Robert W. Decker -- 381-Cannon  
2510 Lakeside Drive  
Leesburg, Fl. 34788

Enclosed are my dues and my wife's Auxillary dues. We are sorry that we weren't able to attend this year, but wish the 96th all the best. Miss seeing friends we have made over years. Maybe next year. Have a good one and God Bless!

Julius Ciezadlo -- 763 Tank  
4538 N. Mobile  
Chicago, Il. 60630-3022

Find check for dues in our Association. Surely enjoy the Dispatch. Haven't been able to make too many meetings, but will keep up my membership. Hope you had a good meeting in Arkansas.

Francis Kuhnline -- 382 Hq.  
501 Prairie  
Greenfield, Il. 62044-1340

1994 was the year I was going to make it to the reunion, since it was only 300 miles from my home in Dallas. However, it just wasn't meant to be. I had a triple by-pass open heart surgery on July 12th. I regret not being able to see the men from 3rd Bn. Hq. and I Company of the 383rd. Maybe next year!

Nelson Gustus  
17601 N. Preston Rd. #214  
Dallas, Tx. 75252-5701

Here is my check and a little extra for 1995. Would like to hear from any of my Deadeye Buddies. Can't do much traveling due to my health.

David Henkle -- 382-AT  
P.O. Box 14  
Mt. Holly, N.C. 28120-0014

Due to my wife's health, I won't be able go to the reunion in Hot Springs, Ar. I'm sorry as I was looking forward to seeing some of the men in Company C of the 383 and lots of all the others in the 96th Division.

James S. Martin  
3737 Ashby Rd. Apt. 1015  
Saint Ann, Mo. 63074-2735

We were unable to attend the reunion in Arkansas this year due to family commitments. Enclosed are our 1994-95 dues.

Donald J. & Betty Shearer -- 383-D  
411 So. Taylor Ave.  
Glendive, Mt. 59330

Enclosed is my check for another years dues. Please keep the Dispatch coming. I read every line of it. The 96th Division is a great Association. Hope to be able to attend some of the reunions later.

Paul E. Edwards -- 381-Service  
221 Meadow Creek  
DeSoto, Tx. 75115

At one time, Stateside, I commanded Company K 381st. It was when our Division cadried the 69th Division to the East Coast. Only weeks after that event, we had Captains sent to us from replacement training centers, one to each regiment. Being a 1st Lt. I lost my company to Capt. Harold Butler, a handsome energetic officer. Sad to say he lost his life on Okinawa. By that time I had been transferred to the 2212th T2M Team, specialists in Amphibious assault loading of ships. Yet I served as Regiment Liaison Officer for the 381st. An item of interest I recall relative to Brig. Gen. Easley, 2nd in Command of the 96th -- his was the method of rifle instruction in the Division. Walking down the firing line when our Regiment was firing for record, he stopped behind a man in our Company K who was knocking off bullseye after bullseye in rapid fire. Gen Easley asked, "Are you using the Easley method of lining up the target on the sights?" "No Sir" came the reply, "I just look down the bar'l."

Sidney Rosenblatt  
20 Fern Hill Rd.  
Bristol, Ct. 06010

Hubert and I wish to thank each and everyone for all the cards, notes and pictures in remembrance of our 50th Anniversary. It was overwhelming and greatly appreciated.

Mr. & Mrs. Hubert Hoffman  
500 East 56th South  
Wichita, Ks. 67216-3821

Enclosed is my dues for 1995. In a few days it will be October 20. Fifty years ago I was a much younger man. I was a graduate of the Class of OCS F. A. Class of 1964 at Fort Sill, Ok. I joined the 96th at Camp White. I'll never forget the morning of October 20, 1944. I was in Btry C-361 F.A. We went in near the town of Dulag, Leyte, P.I. I rode an LST from Ohwa, Hawaiian Islands to Leyte. Our LST was hit four time the morning of D Day. Hope to see you in Texas in 1995.

Clyde McGuire  
RR 2 Box 196  
Oregon, Mo. 64473

Here is a check for my dues and wife's dues plus a few cents extra. I read the Deadeye Dispatch from cover to cover and try to keep in touch with my buddies. There are seven of us "Anti Tankers 382nd" left alive in Arkansas. Six of us met in Hot Springs two years ago. It is sure good to see the guys after 45 plus years. I still cut hair, but not as short as I did back then.

Leonard G. Nunley  
HC 68 Box 1033  
Plainview, Ar. 72857-9621

Sorry I missed this years reunion in Hot Springs, but hope to get to Lubbock, Tx. next year. I am enclosing a check for mine and my wife's dues plus a couple dollars extra for whatever. I really enjoy receiving the Deadeye Dispatch and appreciate all the work that it takes to put it together and to mail it out.

Charles A. Kline -- Div. Hq.  
4550 N. Flowing Wells  
Swan Lake Estates #279  
Tucson, Az. 85705

Lyle Schmitz of Co. B 381 would like to be contacted by any one who knew him on Okinawa.

Lyle M. Schmitz  
2410 Madison Ave.  
Plover, Wi. 54467  
Phone 1-715-344-9390

I am truly very sorry that it has taken almost three years to write this letter. Why, I wish I knew, it's a letter one wishes he doesn't have to write. On August 29, 1991, my brother, S/Sgt. Lelio Puccetti, Co. H 382, passed away after more than three years of illness. He was a true Deadeye, from Oregon to Okinawa, and a member of the Association from the beginning. I know he kept every Dispatch he received. The 96th was very special to him, as were all the "buddies" he got to meet while he was with the 382. Please accept this small amount included for the Association in his memory.

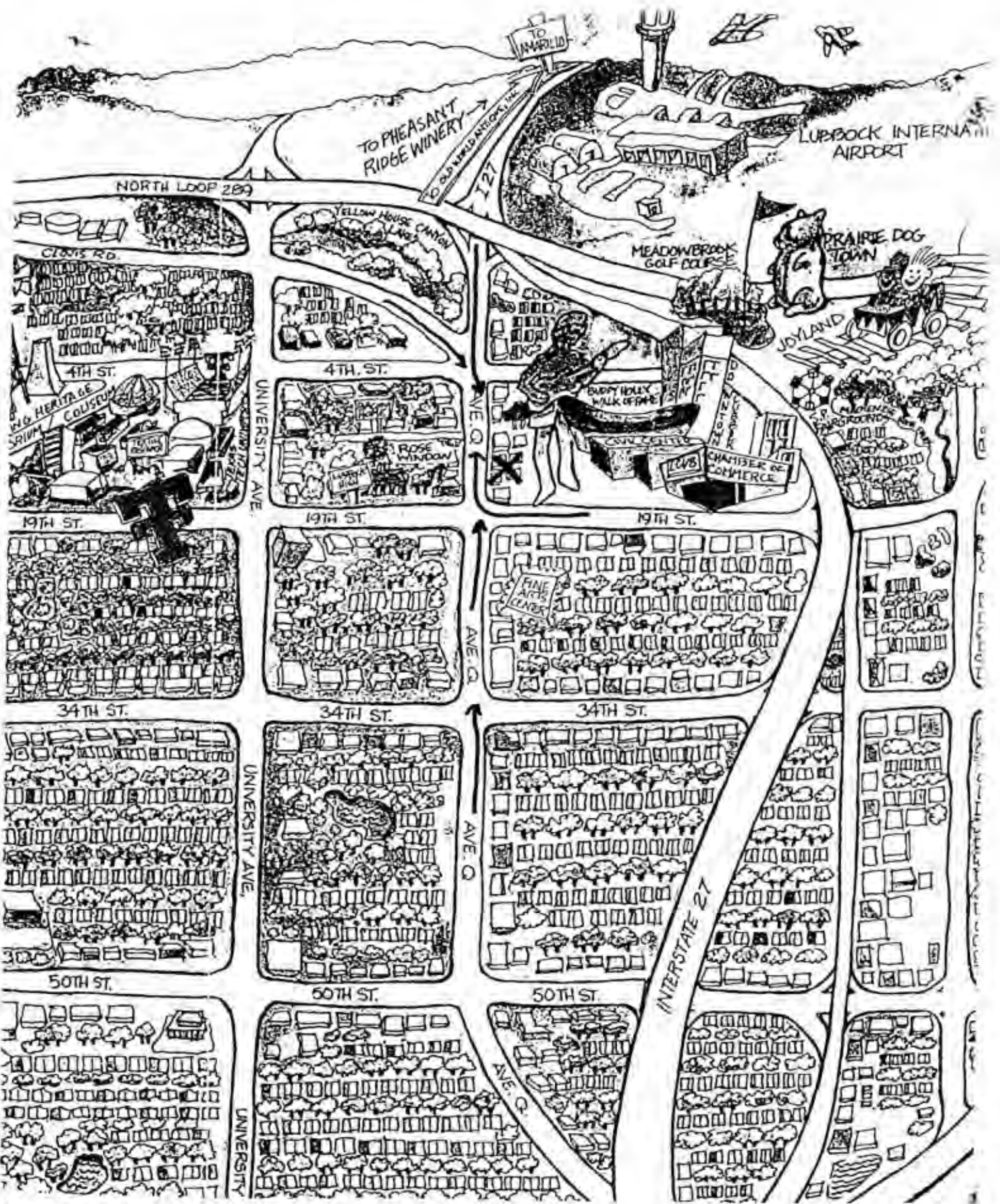
Adolph L. Puccetti  
68 Blake Street  
San Francisco, Ca. 94118

From the pages of the Mail Tribune, Medford, Or. April 25th, 1994.  
50 years ago: The 96th Infantry Division at Camp White goes through 80,000 loaves of bread, a quarter of a million pounds of potatoes and 50,000 oranges a month. (1944)

Sending my dues and the difference in memory of best buddy, Roy DeMarco - KIA, April 8, 1945. Also to all my Deadeye buddies who were killed and those who have passed away, may God keep them in his loving care.

Peter A. Caserta -- 382-E  
5227, Oh. 44053





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