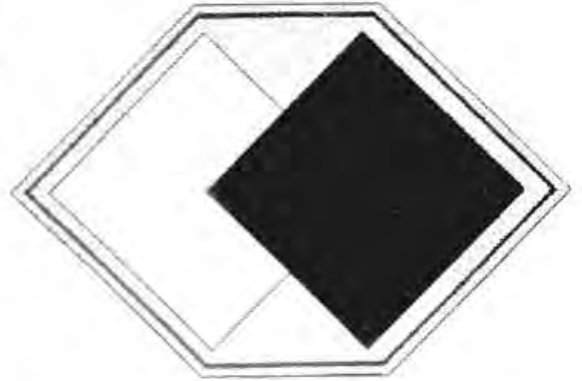


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President's Corner



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



Dear Deadeyes, Families and Friends:

The Reunion in Denver was most enjoyable. Everyone I talked with had a wonderful time. It was nice seeing many new members there for their first time. These men brought new stories to us. Thank you for passing this information on.

The Executive and Auxiliary board will meet November 6th in Salt Lake City to make plans for next year. The Reunion will take place at the Little America Hotel in Salt Lake City. We will be back to our regular scheduled dates of July 27th thru 29th 2000 with early bird tours. Bob Siefert, Reunion chairman, his committee and the Armed Forces Reunion Group are doing a great job in planning the different activities.

Thank you for electing me President. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the Reunion next year.

Glyn Hollingsworth President
96th Infantry Division Association

Auxiliary Corner

96th INF. DIV. ASSN.

DEADEYES
ANNUAL REUNIONS



Dear Auxiliary Members:

Still reminiscing over the wonderful reunion in Denver. Wasn't it great? Now it's time to get busy and work on the Salt Lake City Reunion - it will happen in the year 2000 - unbelievable. As your President for 1999-2000, I will do my utmost to make this a most memorable one. The officers are a great bunch of ladies, and I am looking forward to working with them and I welcome their input. By the way, my apologies for the "flub" I made the night of the banquet. I failed to introduce the officers, and I am sorry. I drew a blank (senior citizen moment.)

One of the things already in the works for Salt Lake City is the Merchandise Committee headed by Ruth Siefert. Ruth and the committee members are already searching for new items to offer. Workers are always needed for the merchandise table. Please volunteer. The hours are short, no pay, but a lot of fun and a chance to get acquainted with so many. Please contact any of the officers if you are interested.

Lifetime Membership continues to be a bargain at \$20.00. Please consider signing up if you haven't already done so.

I plan to be in Salt Lake City in November along with the other Planning Committee Members to make final plans for the 43rd Reunion. I look forward to all the excitement and beauty that Salt Lake City has to offer. Our reunion will precede the 2000 Winter Olympics, so we had better leave the City standing.

I was saddened to hear of the death of Susan Johnson. Susan was instrumental in planning the 1998 Greater Cincinnati Area Reunion in Fort Mitchell, Kentucky. She will be greatly missed.

I will welcome input from anyone to make this upcoming reunion a special one. Please feel free to contact me with ideas or suggestions. It is my privilege and honor to serve as your President, and I look forward to seeing you all in Salt Lake City.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Anne E. Obal".

Anne E. Obal, President
96th Infantry Division Association Auxiliary

AWARDS

10 YEAR CERTIFICATES

Kelly Caldwell, Calvin Claus, Torrence Dohl, Sylvan Merritt, Mike Misko and Harold Stryker.

15 YEAR CERTIFICATES

Paul Jukuri, Russell Packard, Robert Schmidt and James Short.

20 YEAR CERTIFICATES

John Bornnong, Lestel G. Harvey, Fred Hagelgans, Ambrose Hermann, Ernest Malkewitz and Karl Sinning.

25 YEAR CERTIFICATES

NONE

30 YEAR CERTIFICATES

Alvis Harrell

40 YEAR CERTIFICATES

NONE

ATTENDED ALL 42 REUNIONS

Hubert Hoffman, Clarence Snyder and Richard Van Etten, Deceased 9-16-99
Mary Lou (Henry) White and Elaine (Clarence) Snyder --
Auxiliary members.

DISTINGUISHED DEADEYE AWARDS

James Knight and Donald Dencker

OUR KIND OF GAL AWARDS

Helen Robertson and Betty Shearer.

SPECIAL AWARD

Thelma Burton received a Special Award from Auxiliary
President Glendoris Cole.

Hubert Richter received a Special Award from Association
President Richard Haglund.

notices

The Michigan Chapter of the 96th Infantry Division Association invites all Deadeyes to attend their Annual Reunion in 2000. For further information contact--
MILO THOMPSON -- 1018 S. Thompson St., Jackson, Mi. 49203-2848.

The Buckeye (Ohio) Chapter of the 96th Infantry Division Association will hold their 2000 Reunion the 1st Saturday following Mother's Day in 2000 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 Sassafras Rd., Coumbus, Oh. 43229-5259 or JAMES KNIGHT -- 252 W. Franklin, Nelsonville, Oh. 45764-1151.

The Northwest Chapter of the 96th Infantry Division Association will hold their Annual Reunion June 3, 2000, at the Gentle House on the Western Oregon University Campus. Arrival time will be 9:30 A.M. to 10:00 A.M. Early arrivals will have a Saturday evening social gathering on June 2, 2000 at the Gentle House, For more information contact CECIL WILLIAMS -- 1218 King Rd., Winlock, Wa. 98596-9756 or RICHARD HAGLUND -- 1504 Euclid St., Steilacoom, Wa. 98388-3310.

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| DATE | PLACE | NUMBER | PRESIDENT | DISTINGUISHED DEADEYE |
|------|---------------------|-----------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1958 | St. Louis, Mo. | 103 | Minor Butler | |
| 1959 | Chicago, Il. | 223 | Minor Butler | |
| 1960 | Kansas City, Ks. | 264 | Hubert Hoffman | |
| 1961 | Detroit, Mi. | over 250 | Morris Roberts | |
| 1962 | Dallas, Tx. | over 200 | Willard "Hoss" Mitchell | |
| 1963 | Little Rock, Arab | 200 | Jake Fisher | |
| 1964 | Portland, Or | about 150 | Patrick McDermott | Minor Butler |
| 1965 | Minneapolis, Mn. | 330 | Alex Markus | Richard Klassen |
| 1966 | Indianapolis, In. | 364 | Robert Huff | Ed Dakan |
| 1967 | Omaha, Ne. | 351 | Peter Pohl | Edmund Biggs |
| 1968 | Chicago, Il. | 551 | Paul Bauer | Harold Roetker |
| 1969 | Des Moines, Ia. | 354 | Robert Fitzpatrick | Alex Markus |
| 1970 | Detroit, Mi. | 434 | Henry White | LeRoy Collins, Jr. |
| 1971 | Denver, Co. | 376 | Edward Dunning, Jr. | James Breece |
| 1972 | New Orleans, La. | 426 | Joe Fritz | Paul Bauer |
| 1973 | Peoria, Il | 516 | Iden Johnson | Harold Strand |
| 1974 | Indianapolis, Il. | 433 | James Breece | Sam Benson |
| 1975 | Kansas City, Ks. | 482 | Edmund Biggs | Dean Sterner |
| 1976 | Ft. Worth, Tx. | 462 | Cyril Dean Sterner | Peter Pohl |
| 1977 | Cincinnati, Oh. | 449 | Tyson Sterner | Victor Barth |
| 1978 | New Orleans, La. | 398 | Douglas Burton | Henry White |
| 1979 | Denver, Co. | 432 | Atwell Champion | Willard Mitchell |
| 1980 | Springfield, Il. | 533 | Fred Weeks | Glenn Hamilton |
| 1981 | Milwaukee, Wi. | 487 | Glenn Hamilton | Elmer Stuckemeyer |
| 1982 | Dearborn, Mi. | 476 | Russell Watts | Virgil Below |
| 1983 | Houston, Tx. | 376 | Ernest Qualls | Anthony Skaronea |
| 1984 | St. Paul, Mn. | 591 | Harm Alberts | William Broschke |
| 1985 | Oklahoma City, Ok. | 549 | Virgil Below | Russell Watts |
| 1986 | Fresno, Ca. | 428 | Louis DeLuca | Douglas Burton |
| 1987 | Memphis, Tn. | 607 | Anthony Pavell | Glyn Hollingsworth |
| 1988 | Peoria, Il. | 622 | Donald Foster | Stanley Smith |
| 1989 | Rapid City, S.D. | 632 | Tom Roby | George Buttell |
| 1990 | Omaha, Ne. | 660 | James Warren | Donald Foster |
| 1991 | Spokane, Wa. | 511 | James Knight | Hubert Hoffman |
| 1992 | Louisville, Ky. | 670 | Joseph Garabedian | Tyson Shelton |
| 1993 | Sparks, Nv. | 519 | Robert Siefert | Louis DeLuca |
| 1994 | Hot Springs, Ar. | 645 | Robert Schmidt | Joe Fritz |
| 1995 | Lubbock, Tx. | 416 | Louis Canedo | Robert Schmidt |
| 1996 | Des Moines, Ia. | 517 | Glen Amonett | Robert Siefert |
| 1997 | St. Louis, Mo. | 550 | Don Dencker | Iden Johnson |
| 1998 | Ft. Mitchell, Ky. | 416 | John Elliot | Tom Roby |
| 1999 | Denver, Co. | 407 | Richard Haglund | James Knight & Don Dencker |
| 2000 | Salt Lake City, Ut. | | Glyn Hollingsworth | |
| 2001 | Omaha, Ne. | | | |



LITTLE AMERICA HOTEL & TOWERS
SALT LAKE CITY UTAH
(801) 596-5809
1999

HOTEL LOCATION

Little America Hotel & Towers is located in the heart of downtown Salt Lake City at 500 South Main Street, Salt Lake City, UT 84101. The hotel is just minutes from the city's main business district, sport arena, Temple Square, Utah Symphony, Ballet West, nightclubs, restaurants, and theaters. The Salt Lake City Airport is just 7 miles from the hotel.

Directions:

- From the Salt Lake City International Airport take "I-80 East City Center Exit." Stay in the left lane. Go approximately 4 miles. Take Exit 121 to "600 South City Center" Exit. Watch lane signs carefully. Coming off the freeway ramp proceed two blocks straight ahead. Turn left onto Main Street where you will see the hotel.
- From Interstate 15 North or South, take Exit 121 and follow directions above.
- From Interstate 80 eastbound, go past the International Airport; take Interstate 15 South for less than one mile; then take Exit 121 and follow directions above.
- From Interstate 80 westbound, take Interstate 15 North; travel about 4 miles and take Exit 121. Follow directions above.

HOTEL EXTRAS

Little America Hotel & Towers features 850 spacious, individually decorated guest rooms. Each guest room features a 31" color TV, in-room movies, hair dryers and iron/ironing boards. For recreational activities, there is a complete health club facility, a jacuzzi, sauna, weight equipment, stationary bicycles, treadmills, dressing rooms and 2 pools one of which is indoor/outdoor and open year-round. The hotel also features a variety of specialty shops located on the lobby level, offering everything from small necessities, souvenirs, men's and women's clothing and fine gifts. TRAX the city's light rail systems will be operating by mid December 1999. It will provide a rapid mode of transportation to downtown shopping and attractions, only five blocks away. The station will be conveniently located just across the street from Little America. Best of all, the light rail ride to downtown falls within the free fare zone!

Handicapped accessible and non-smoking rooms are subject to availability. Please request these special accommodations when making your hotel reservation. Complimentary parking is available to all guests and visitors. Check in is 3pm; check out is 1pm.

Hotel dining:

- Little America Coffee Shop serves breakfast throughout the day and has a traditional coffee shop menu. Hours of operation are from 5am to 12 midnight.
- Little America Dining Room serves a breakfast buffet Monday-Saturday from 7am-10am, and Sunday from 8am-2pm, a luncheon buffet Monday-Friday from 11am-2pm, and fine dining Monday-Sunday from 5pm-11pm.
- Westgate Lounge is open daily from 12noon-11pm and offers live entertainment for enjoyment.
- Room service is available 6am to 12am.

AIRPORT SHUTTLE

The hotel provides complimentary transportation to and from the airport on regularly scheduled shuttle vans, which run every 20 minutes, on the hour between 6am to 10pm. Upon arrival and after retrieving your luggage, call the hotel from the courtesy phone in the baggage claim area. Pick up is outside the baggage claim area. Taxicabs are also available for transportation to and from the airport; current cost is \$12 one-way.

NEAREST RV PARK

RVs can be parked in the hotel parking lot overnight only if you are staying as a guest in the hotel. The VIP Campground is the closest RV park and is only 5 miles from the hotel. For more information and reservations, please call (801) 328-0224.

WHEELCHAIRS

The hotel does have a complimentary wheelchair on site for use by hotel guests. Should you need a wheelchair, rentals are available upon request. Guests should let the hotel know when making their room reservations that a wheelchair will be needed.

LITTLE AMERICA HOTEL & TOWERS

500 South Main Street, Salt Lake City, UT 84101

- Check out time is 1:00 p.m.; therefore, guest rooms may not be available until 3:00 p.m.
- All room types are based on availability.
- The sales office must approve all hospitality suite requests.
- Please telephone changes and request confirmation of your reservation by calling our Reservations Department at 1-800-437-5288. Reservation Fax: (801) 596-5911.
- \$10.00 additional for extra person.

Little America Hotel & Towers wishes to extend its gracious service and hospitality to you!

96th INFANTRY DIVISION REUNION JULY 25-30, 2000

GUEST INFORMATION

Please make reservations for _____ person(s)

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City/State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (____) _____

Arrival Date _____ Time _____

Departure Date _____ Time _____

Smoking/Non-Smoking room preferred _____

Additional persons _____

Please check type of room requested:

Deluxe Rooms

Reunion Rate \$84.00 Single or Double Occupancy

1 Person, 1 Bed

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Deposit Amount \$ _____ Credit Card Type _____ Expiration Date _____

Credit Card Number _____ Name of Credit Card Holder _____

Signature _____

One night's pre-payment by check or major credit card is required to confirm accommodations. All credit cards used to pre-pay will be charged immediately. Please return reservation and deposit by June 23, 2000. Deposit is refundable if reservation is cancelled 24-hours prior to ARRIVAL.

CUT OFF DATE: Reservation request received after June 23, 2000, will be confirmed, subject to room availability.

DON'T FORGET

TO PRE-REGISTER

**Fill in the blanks on the
back of this page.**

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The Executive Committee authorized me to present a plan to the membership to make badges available for Association and Auxiliary members.

The price for an Association Badge is \$ 5.50 with Choice of back

The price for an Auxiliary Badge is \$ \$ 5.00 with Choice of back

All badges will have the line "96th Inf. Div. Ass'n." and Div. Logo

Postage and handling is \$2 per badge or \$3 for two to same address.

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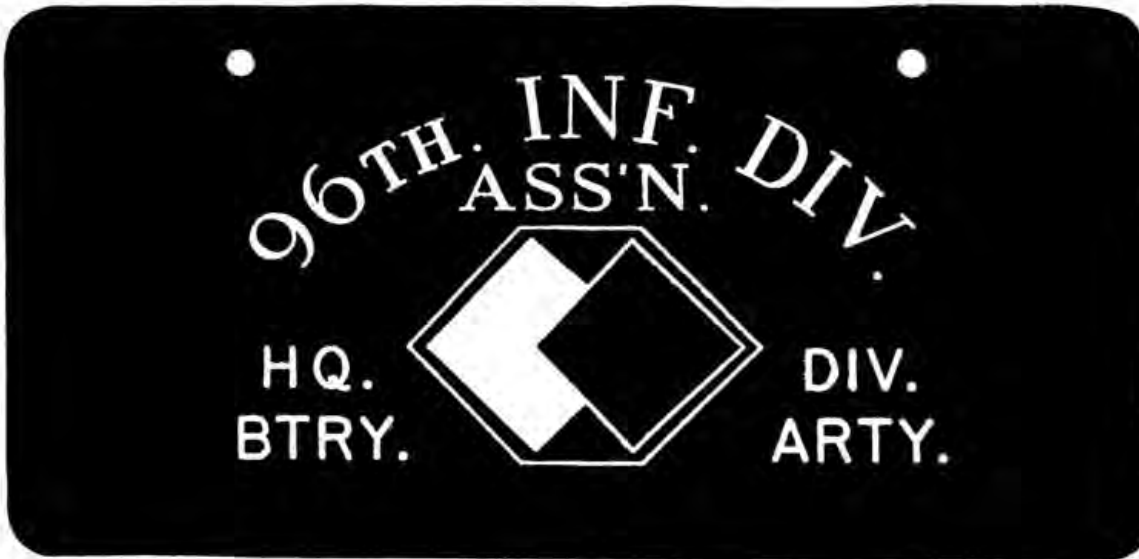
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I have had requests for License Plate Size "96th Div. Assn." Plate. They are made of special outdoor Plastic, Blue background with White lettering. If your State has only one License Plate the "96th Plate" will fit in place of Second License Plate. The size of the Plate is 12" x 6" x 1/8"

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AUTHORIZED ME TO MAKE THE "96th INF. DIV. ASSN." PLATE AVAILABLE FOR ASSOCIATION AND AUXILIARY MEMBERS.

The price for "96th Inf. Div. Association Plate" is \$13.00 each.

Postage and handling is \$3.00 each.



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The original **Little America** is on route I-80 between Cheyenne and Salt Lake City . . . seemingly in the middle of nowhere. But it was this once desolate spot that the original founder of the hotel was once lost in a blizzard on a cold winter night, long ago. As he huddled next to the sheep he was tending, he dreamed of a haven here for travelers. A place with a warm fire crackling in a cozy fireplace, a comfortable bed, good food and a convivial atmosphere.

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From the original site, the chain has grown to include the 850 room **Little America Hotel** in Salt Lake City; the elegant **Westgate Hotel** in San Diego; the **Sun Valley Resort** . . . plus hotels in Wyoming and Flagstaff, Arizona.

From humble beginnings has grown the tradition of excellence that distinguishes each **Little America** hotel and resort.

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SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH Little America's 17 story tower rises from a 10-acre oasis of fountains and foliage in the heart of downtown Salt Lake City. The hotel offers 850 exceptionally exquisite guest rooms and suites, plus a complete variety of efficient meeting and banquet facilities for up to 1,000. As part of the Little America complex, guests can enjoy year 'round swimming pools and saunas, a 7-store shopping arcade, a true American coffee shop as well as an elegant dining room serving the finest cuisine in the valley.

Little America, Salt Lake is in the center of the city's commercial and cultural district . . . yet only 30 minutes from seven of Utah's great ski resorts. Little America, Salt Lake has been honored with a AAA Four Diamond Award.

TREASURERS ' REPORT

Our mandatory annual or life membership dues program is working out very well. Our financial condition is healthy and should allow us to have reunions as long as our membership wants them.

A financial summary was presented to the membership at our reunion in August that included several things. They are:

1. A summary of our total cash assets on July 1, 1998, the income and expenses through June 1999 and our ending cash balance on June 30, 1999 (our fiscal year).
2. Income and cash balances for the last ten (10) years.
3. A summary of the cash value of all our assets.
4. Deadeye Dispatch costs and number mailed in the same ten (10) years.

Copies of the summary were passed out to the membership and we plan to bring it up to date each year to review and help plan our future. Our books were reviewed by the Audit Committee and received unanimous approval.

Robert Schmidt
Association Treasurer

Ruth Siefert
Auxiliary Treasurer

**96TH INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION
LIFE MEMBERSHIP/ANNUAL DUES APPLICATION**

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ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____ - _____

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|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| LIFE MEMBERSHIP DUES | \$20.00 | - - - - - | _____ |
| OR | | | |
| ANNUAL DUES | \$ 5.00 | - - - - - | _____ |
| LIFE MEMBERSHIP PIN | \$ 4.00 | - - - - - | _____ |
| DONATIONS | - - - - - | - - - - - | _____ |
| TOTAL | - - - - - | - - - - - | _____ |

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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

IF . . . this is a change of address, give old address as well as new!

TO INSURE PROMPT DELIVERY OF **Deadeye Dispatch** and other information, please advise the editors of any address change.

Name _____ Unit _____ (Co. Regt.)

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Steve Melnyk, 7634 Fielding Ave., Detroit MI 48228-3232

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PLEASE USE YOUR ZIP CODE! Postal Service requires a FULL ADDRESS!

Do you get your DISPATCH promptly?

Be sure we have your correct address in full . . . and . . . your ZIP Code!

96th INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION OFFICERS



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Front Row Left to Right -- E. Jaye Thompson, James Causey, Lorraine Strand. Sam Benson and Don Dencker absent

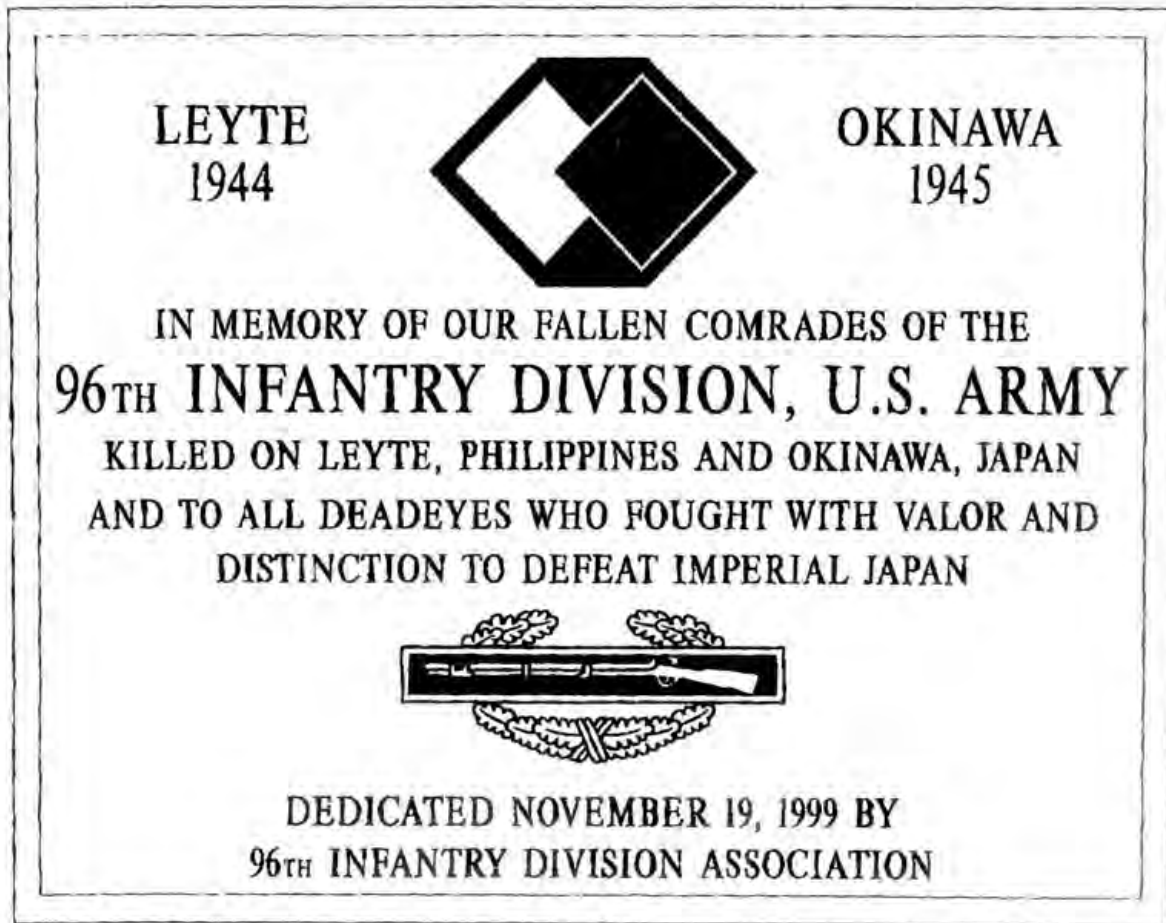
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**96th INFANTRY DIVISION MONUMENT DEDICATION
ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY
WASHINGTON, D. C. NOVEMBER 19, 1999**

The Dedication Ceremony for the 96th Infantry Division Association Living Memorial tree and Monument at Arlington National Cemetery was held at 10:30 A.M. on Friday November 19, 1999. A program was prepared for the Ceremony. The U. S. Army Military District of Washington, D.C. assisted us at the Ceremony. A small scale illustration of the Arlington Monument plaque is shown below:



Additional contributions are needed to fully pay for this permanent memorialization of the 96th Infantry Division.

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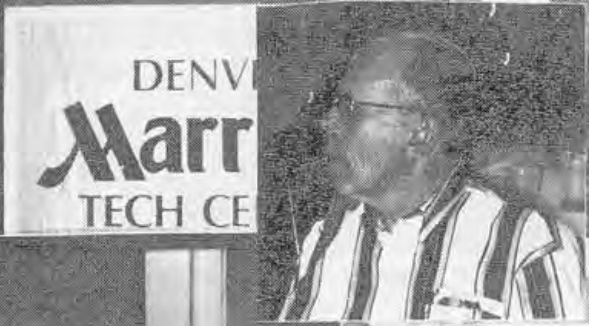


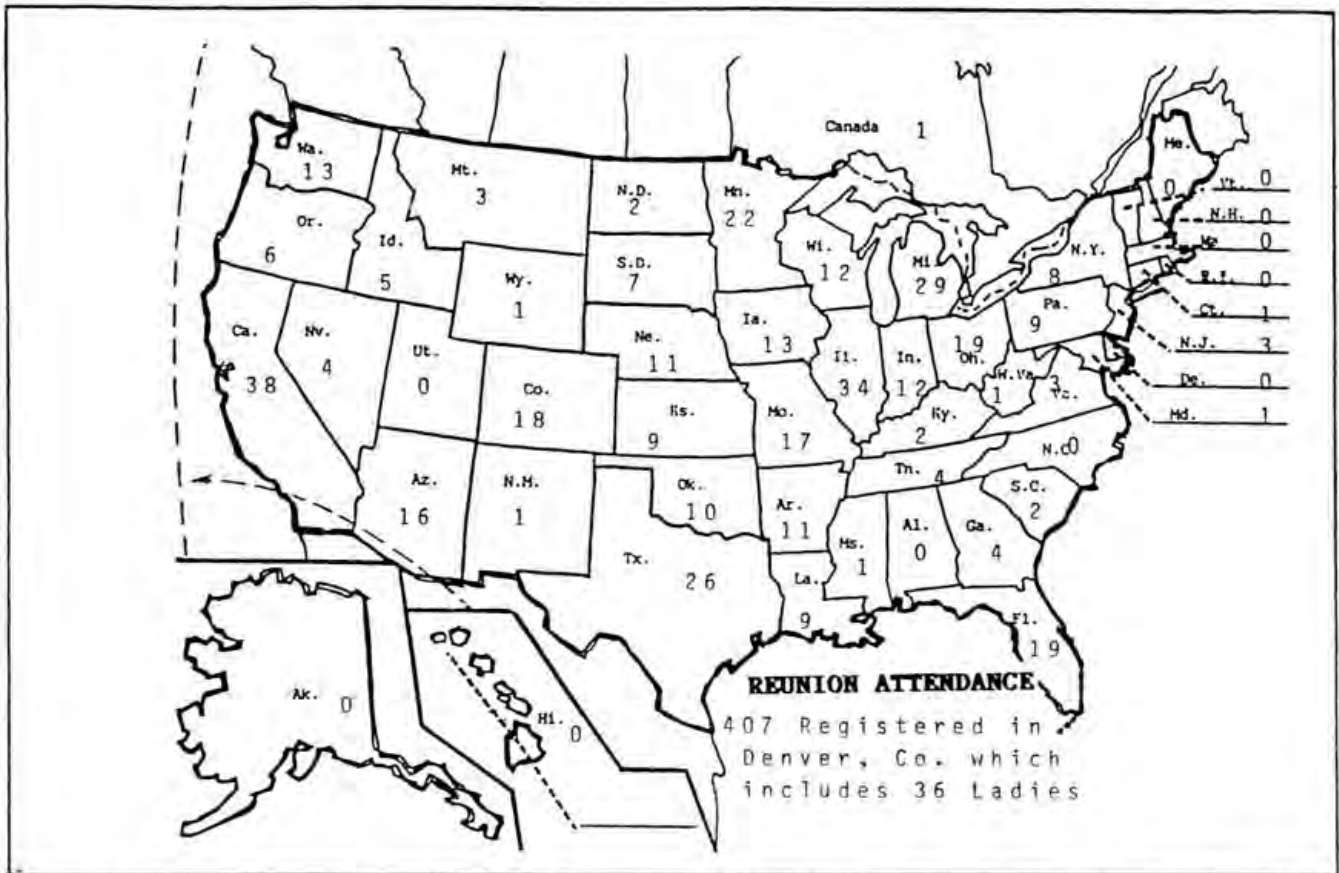


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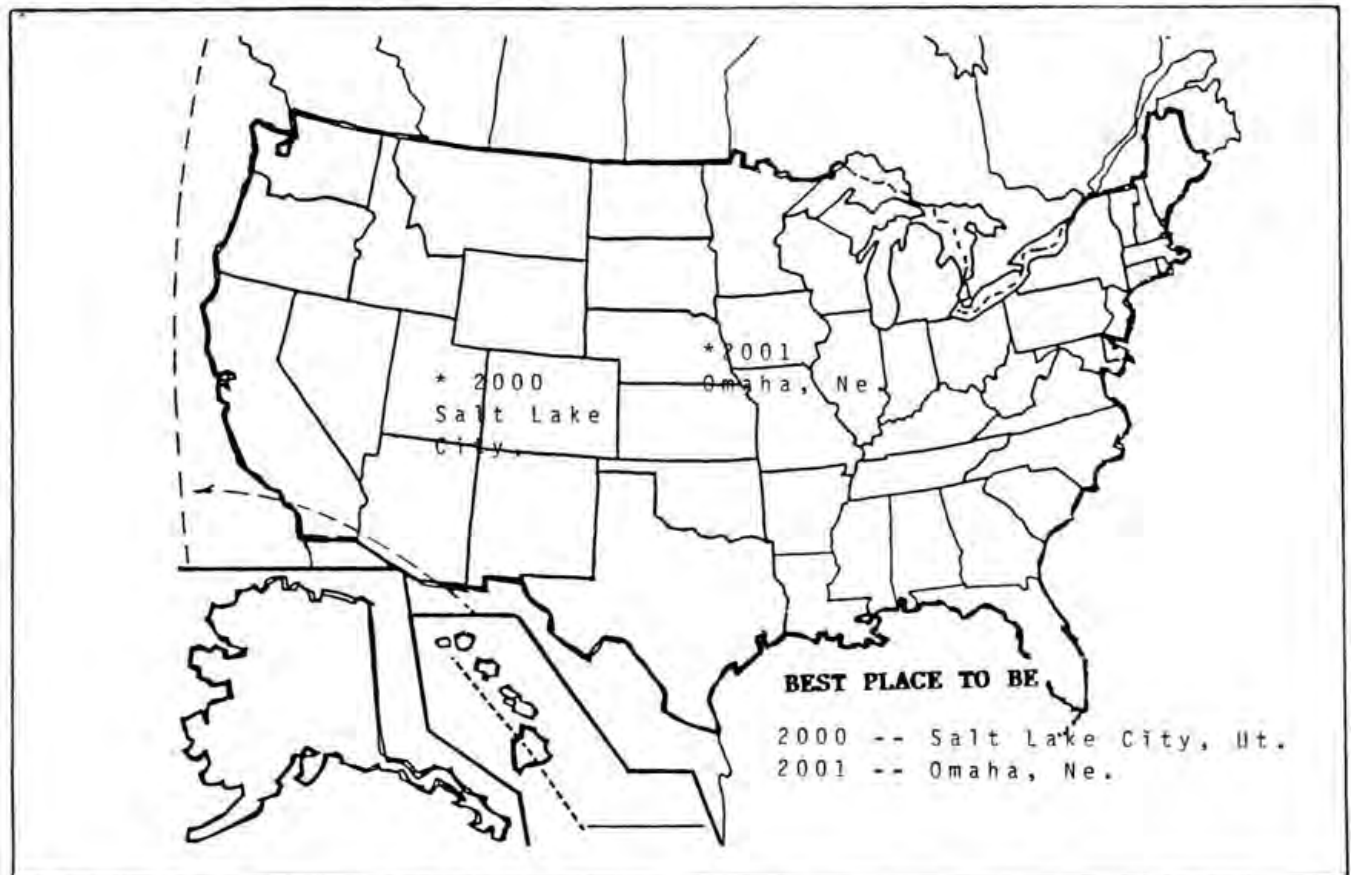


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NINETY SIXTH INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REUNIONS





Donald Dencker, Historian of 96th Infantry Division Association received the Distinguished Deadeye award along with James Knight.

Thelma Burton, Past President of the 96th Infantry Division Association Auxiliary, received an OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT award from President Glendoris Cole.



WHY OLD GIS GATHER TO REMINISCE ON WAR

RECYCLED GIS

What do you do with an old GI
Who is obviously past his prime
When the world has left him far behind
And he has long since done his time.

There's no demand for second-hand infantrymen.
They can't do push ups any more
The skills they had are now far gone
Used up on some foreign shore.

They've forgotten which hand they use to salute
And no way can they stay in step
They're wearing trusses, and taking pills
To try and restore their pep.

The old uniform is a trifle tight
And the battle stars shiny no more
They've fought the war a thousand times
Inside a bar-room's swinging door.

No one wants to hear again
Of a war now 50 years past
And people whisper behind their backs
"How long can these old geezers last?"

Well, these old geezers have memories galore
For them, buddies will never grow old
And those oft-repeated war-time tales
Are always good to be told.

They tell of a time when life was precious
Because it was easy to lose
And you relied on the guy who was next to you
And took risks that you couldn't refuse.

And a lot of our comrades have taken the flight
To the Airfield of No Return
But to those of us left they'll never be gone
Which is something some people don't learn.

The bond that one GI has for another
Is something that's hard to explain
It lasts through separation of many years
Yet stays fresh as the morning rain.

So when anyone says of the old GIS
Why are these guys in the news
Just give them all the 1,000-yard stare
and say "Hey, Pal, we paid our dues!"

Author -- Bill Arbuckle
Contributed by -- Mercer H. Carey



Mr. Pasquale Lunongo (left), 88 years old, recently received a surprise visit from Mr. Karel Knutson, 77 years old, an Army buddy who lives in Puposky, Mn. They has not seen each other nor had any contact in 54 years.

They served with the Army's 96th Division, 361 Field Artillery, and fought together to take the Island of Okinawa in the Pacific. Mr. Knutson had been trying to find Mr. Luongo and other Army buddies, for the past 20 years. His daughter finally located Mr. Luongo on the Internet. Mr. Knutson called and arranged to spend a few days with Mr. Luongo in New York.

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NATIONAL MEMORIAL CEMETERY OF THE PACIFIC
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Memorial Monument Dedication

April 1, 1999
10:30 AM

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Support and participation in the Dedication by the United States Army Pacific was tremendous. Four Honolulu Television Stations covered our event.

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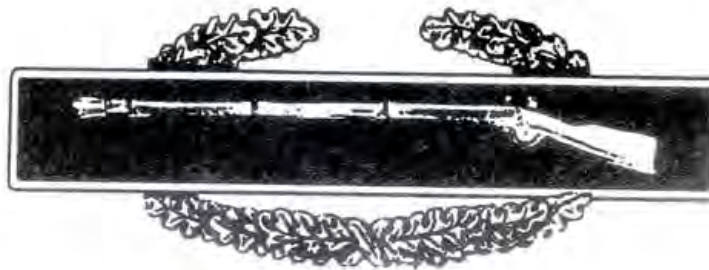
96th Infantry "Deadeyes" Division, U.S. Army, WWII

This monument dedicated to the 96th Infantry Division soldiers killed in action on Leyte, Philippines and Okinawa, Japan and to all Deadeyes who fought with distinction and uncommon valor to defeat Imperial Japan.

96th Infantry Division men memorialized at this national shrine served in:

*381st, 382nd and 383rd Infantry Regiments
361st, 362nd, 363rd and 921st Field Artillery Bn.
96th Division HQ, 321st Medical and 321st Engineer Bn.
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Dedicated by the 96th Infantry Division Association, April 1, 1999



Monument Committee:

Donald Dencker(Chairman), Lawrence Ulrich, Richard McCarthy

The 96th Infantry Division Association wishes to express its sincere appreciation to the U.S. Army Hawaii, the 25th Infantry Division, Cemetery Director Mr. G. E. Castagnetti and to the Deadeyes and friends whose contributions made this monument possible.

Video tapes of this Dedication are available through the Ladies Auxiliary for \$15.00 which includes mailing. Five (5) TV News Clips are on the Video tapes. Make checks out to **96th DIVISION ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY**.
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Memorial Monument Dedication

Program

Call To Order

Richard Haglund

President, 96th Infantry Division Association, Co. E, 381st Infantry

Post the Colors

U. S. Army Color Guard, 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry, 3rd Brigade, 25th Infantry Division

National Anthem

25th Infantry Division Band, U.S. Army
CWO2 Gary Dorrell, Director

Pledge of Allegiance

Richard McCarthy
Co. B, 383rd Infantry

Invocation

Chaplain (Major) Stephen Walsh
2nd Brigade, 25th Infantry Division

Introduction and Greetings

G. E. Castagnetti
Director, National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific

Keynote Address

Lieutenant General E. P. Smith
Commanding General, U.S. Army, Pacific

Dedication Remarks

Brigadier General David Irvine
Deputy Commanding General, 96th Regional Support Command

"Battle Hymn of the Republic"

25th Infantry Division Band

The 96th Division in World War II

Donald Dencker
Co. L, 382nd Infantry

Unveiling of the Monument and Placing of Wreaths

Erma Helsel, Widow of John Crabb, Co. L, 383rd Infantry
Lawrence Ulrich, Co. M, 383rd Infantry

Rifle Salute

Firing Detail, 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry, 3rd Brigade, 25th Infantry Division

Taps

Bugler, 25th Infantry Division Band

Retire the Colors

U.S. Army Color Guard

Benediction

Chaplain (Major) Stephen Walsh

"U.S. Army Song"

25th Infantry Division Band

Dismissal

Richard Haglund

Post Program Music: "The Stars and Stripes Forever"

25th Infantry Division Band

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N O N E

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James W. Russell, Sr. -- Burnett, Tx.
Richard Van Etten -- Toledo, Oh.

362 FIELD ARTILLERY

Arnold R. Clements -- Adam, N. D.
Oliver E. Haecker -- San Antonio, Tx.
Ralph Kopp -- Marshfield, Wi.
Chester Livgard -- East Bethel, Mn.
LeRoy Middleton -- Jonesboro, Ar.
Mitchell Tottis -- Scottsdale, Az.

363 FIELD ARTILLERY

Alvin W. Clements -- Denton, Tx.

321 MEDICS

Arthur A. Creason -- Hannibal, Mo.
Alvis Harrell -- Mt. Vernon, Il.
Stuart A. Lindman -- Minneapolis, Mn.
Alice Muff (Herbert) -- Crete, Ne.
Joseph J. Munshaw -- Oregon, Mo.
Karl F. Sinning -- Ocala, Fl.
Robert M. Taylor -- Jefferson City, Mo.
Martha Vallery (Milton) -- Forest Hill, La.

321 ENGINEERS

Donald J. Andersen -- Cedar Falls, Ia.
Robert Cheever -- Hibbing, Mn.
Eric H. Tengerstrom -- Cicero, Il.
Elmer Winter -- Jackson, Mn.

728 AMPH

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796 ORDINANCE

Robert Bartlett -- Saginaw, Mi.
Grace Casey (Pat) -- Olymphina, Wa.
Ben C. Confer -- Los Osos, Ca.
Don Doerr -- Sun City West, Az.
Harvey Jones -- Sherman, W. V.
Joyce Lloyd (Kenneth) -- Oshkosh, Wi.
George M. McMahan -- Houston, Tx.
Chloris Nickerson (Russell) -- Truman, Mn.

JASCO

N O N E

593 ASSAULT SIGNAL

George T. Kern -- San Diego, Ca.

CAVALRY RECONNAISSANCE

A. A. Cuthbertson -- Maloille, Nv.

The above names were taken from registration forms that were provided by ARMED FORCES REUNIONS.

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This is a trip to the Battlefields, Ceremonies and areas of interest on Okinawa with 5 full days and nights on the Island. The trip is Army oriented, with emphasis on areas fought for by the 96th Infantry Division. Trip Tour Guide will be Don Dencker, Co. L, 382nd Infantry Regiment, 96th infantry Division

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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.



Sorry I couldn't make it to Denver for the reunion. I hope that all had a good time and that there was a good attendance. We are all very proud to be members of the fighting 96th Division.

Carl H. Barnhart -- 363 FA
209 S. 3rd St.
Patterson, Ca. 95363

Please find enclosed my dues and a little more. I would like to say Hello to all my buddies from the 382nd Company I (Camp Adair.) You all stay well you Hear! I would like to hear from anyone.

Tom Farina
6445 W. Belle Plaine Unit #207
Chicago, Il. 60634

Here is a check for my dues for another year and a little over for postage or whatever. My health won't let me make the reunions, so the Dispatch keeps me in touch with my Division.

L. G. Nunley -- 382 Anti Tank
HC 68 Box 1033
Plainview, Ar. 72857-9621

My father Grover Wayne Howard Jr. served in 381-2nd Bn. 96th Infantry during WW1. I am sad to say he passed away in January 1998. I'm trying to learn more about my father during his time as a Deadeye. In my father's discharge papers it shows he received (2) Bronze Stars. Do you know what he did to receive those? Any information you might have on my father that you could share with me would be greatly appreciated. Also, thank-you to all of the Veterans of the 96th Infantry Division for serving our country.

Michael W. Howard
P. O. Box 230
Kimballton, Ia. 51543

(The following E-Mail was received by Donald Dencker.)

Just a quickie to let you know that I have arranged for a Granite Block to be installed in the Washington State WWII Memorial in Olympia, Washington. It will be put in place sometime in June. The dedication of the Memorial will be on Friday May 28th, 1999, at 1:00 p. m. I think that the members of the 96th Division who live in the State of Washington might find it a fitting memorial to all of us, living and dead. It will look like this:

IN MEMORY OF THE
MEMBERS OF THE 96th
INFANTRY DIVISION

At present, I don't plan to attend the reunion in Denver. Maybe we can see each other at some other time and place. God Bless you!

Father James Grant -- 382-F
217 Spokane Falls Blvd. Apt. 1802
Spokane, Wa. 99201

I would like to know if anyone can give me any information about the death of Pfc. Howard Gailbreath, who was killed near Dagami, Leyte in the Philippine Islands. He was in Company E - 381 Infantry.

Lynna Kay Suffield
P. O. Box 16604
Houston, Tx. 77222

March 15, 1999

Deadeye Dispatch
Mrs. Harold R. Strand
604 S. Hazel St.
Glenwood, Ia. 51534

Dear Mrs. Strand:

Last October my wife and I were able to visit Leyte, and to attend the local celebrations of Philippine Liberation Day on October 19th and October 20th. I thought our experience might be of interest of the readers of the Dispatch.

On October 18th we stopped at the memorial park in Dulag, and by happenstance met with the governor's assistant who was there in the park. When finding that I had been part of the 96th Division and part of the original landing forces on October 20, 1944, she asked me if I would attend the Dulag ceremonies on the following day at Hill 120 and would speak to the gathering. The following morning we went to the park at the base of Hill 120, where we were part of a crowd of about 2000 people. The honored guests were the governor of Leyte, the mayor of Dulag, the director of tourism, and a group of local veterans, who had worked with the landing forces in 1944. We were somewhat overwhelmed by the crowd, by the enthusiasm of the local people, and the warmth with which they received us. We did not plan it, but as circumstances would have it, I was the only veteran of the original invasion on the island during this 54th Anniversary of our landings. My wife and I were greeted so warmly and there was an outpouring of gratitude to America for the liberation of the island and of the Philippines. It was an honor to represent the 96th Division..

In my remarks, I told them something of what happened to the 96th Division during the campaign on Leyte and later on Okinawa. I shared with them especially, what happened to Company I, 383rd Infantry during the remainder of the war. On behalf of the 96th Division I directed our thanks to the assembled Philippine Veterans for their assistance during our landings and thereafter. When I concluded my remarks, I went to the group of veterans to personally greet them and thank them, and there were tears shed by all. They were and are a wonderful, friendly people.

Following the Dulag ceremony, we were guests of the governor and mayor at a Luncheon, and we were invited to the celebration at McArthur Park the following day. This park is on the northern landing beaches close to Tacloban, and is the point where MacArthur made his famous return to the Philippines, where he and his landing party are now memorialized in larger than life statues. The assembled crowd was in the thousands and even 54 years later, this is a huge celebration and holiday for the people of Leyte.

Again, I was identified as the only veteran of the actual landing forces, and as such I was asked to raise the American flag and to place a wreath at their tomb of the unknown soldier. It was an occasion and an honor which I will never forget to be able to represent the 96th Division and all of the American forces at this ceremony.

My wife and I later went to Okinawa and visited the landing beaches and battle sites. Again tears were shed in the Memorial Cemetery, which includes American and Japanese dead. It is a trip and memories which I will carry for the rest of my life.

Charles R. Weidler
4800 E. Mountain View Rd.
Paradise Valley, AZ 85253

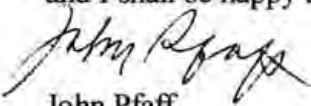
Company I, 383rd Infantry
Former S/Sgt.

August 23, 1999

Dear Deadeyes,

I want to extend thanks for the \$500. Check received ^{from} ~~from~~ the Association for payment towards the 96th. Monument and Memorial at Camp Adair Park. Also other Deadeyes who participated in cost and dedication. This monument, with similar ones for the 70th. Division, the 91st. Division and the 104th. Division includes all Divisions that trained at Camp Adair.

I came here with Cadre in July 1942. If any of you Deadeyes or your families might be traveling through Western Oregon and would like to see what is left of Camp Adair, write me or call me, and I shall be happy to meet you there.


John Pfaff
20 S. 4th. St.
Independence, OR 97351
Phone # 1-503-838-1854

SEEKING INFORMATION ABOUT DEADEYES

Gen Chatham, son of Roe Chatham, Jr. Company C 381st Infantry is trying to locate men who knew his father -- especially Lt. Joslin. Please contact:

Gene Chatham
2238 W. Drowning Creek Rd.
Dacula, Ga. 30019

Pvt. Gerald V. Troy, Company B 383rd Infantry, was killed in action on Leyte, October 27, 1944. His nephew, Joseph Becker would like to hear from anyone who knew Pvt. Troy.

Joe Becker
36 Fairfield Dr.
Patterson, N. Y. 12563

Jason Hillebrand would like to hear from anyone who knew his Uncle Edward "Buddy" Dehn of Company b 383rd Infantry on Leyte and 1st Bn. Hq. Company on Okinawa. Buddy was killed in action near the end of the Okinawa Campaign. Please Contact:

Jason Hillebrand
1702 W. Friendly Ave.
Greensboro, N. C. 27403



Merlin J. "Bud" Baler, Company L 383rd Infantry, passed away July 26, 1999. His son-in-law would like to hear from anyone who knew Bud Baler.

David Smith
478 North 3500 East
Lewisville, Id. 83431

Johnnie Slone, Company H 381st Infantry, would like to hear from anyone from his Company.

Johnnie Slone
4815 W. Park Row Blvd.
Corsicana, Tx. 75110

Len Halverson, 3rd Bn. Hq. Company 382nd Infantry wants to contact his Army buddy, Bill Berg.

Len Halverson
230 Parkwood Road
Elgin, Il. 60123

Justin Anderson is looking for anyone who knew his Deadeye Grandfather Raymond L. Barsness.

E-mail to Justin @ z-head@execpc.Com

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NOTE

Seeking info from Army men embarked on the **USS GEORGE F. ELLIOTT** (AP 105) during WWII Philippine Islands landings. Need personal memoirs from individuals to enter in *Elliott* history book. Units were **BLT3** (381st Inf., 361st FA Bn. and 363rd FA Bn.) 31 Aug 44 Pearl Harbor, 25 Oct 44 Leyte Gulf; **BLT3** 6 Nov 44 New Guinea, 14 Nov 44 Leyte Gulf; **US 6th ARMY** 9 Dec 44 New Guinea, 9 Jan 45 Portuguese Pt., Lingayen Gulf, and **33rd(?) INF** 28 Jan 45 New Guinea, 10 Feb 45 San Fabian City, Lingayen Gulf. Contact J. MILLER, 205 Old White Trail, White Sulphur Springs, WV 24986; 304/536-4372, e-mail daphne@inetone.net 7-1199

Record 20

Name: Raymond E. Wilson

Website: wilsonre@pacbell.net

Referred by: Net Search

From: origin: Urbana, IL. Now, Lakeside Ca.

Time: 1999-10-09 07:40:48

Comments: Glad I found the Page, My uncle Harold R. Wilson was with 96th Div 382nd Inf. Reg. , fought at Leyte, Okinawa, and earned two Bronze Stars with oak leaf clusters. Harold passed 4/15/94, and his sister had his papers and metals buried with him. I would have liked to have them, as I thought a great deal of this man. Big man-Big Heart. If anyone that is still around who knew of him or his actions that gained him his commendations I would like to hear from them. Is there some Gov. Office I can write to get his records ?? Ray E. Wilson 9705 Prospect Ave. Lakeside, Ca. 92040-4113 (619) 561-3231

Record 15

Name: James F. Reineck

Website: reineck@itexas.net

Referred by: Just Surfed On In

From: Granbury, Texas

Time: 1999-10-04 00:26:03

Comments: Joined B/383 at Camp White, OR, left it feet first May 24, 1945 around Conical Hill, Okinawa. Always wondered what happened to 1st Sgt Fay after he got busted for trading his carbine for a Jap short rifle on Leyte. If any other B/383 guys have computers, e-mail me. Wonder how many of us who went in on Leyte on Oct. 20 are left?

Record 18

Name: Harry Salesberry

Website: ButchSales@aol.com

Referred by: Just Surfed On In

From: San Diego California

Time: 1999-10-06 06:23:33

Comments: My Dad was Stewart W. (stu) Salesberry he was with the 96th in the pacific in most of the campaigns he was wounded at okinawa by mortar fire. He was awarded the bronze star for going to get ammo and returning under heavy fire both directions. He passed away May 6 1972. He told my brother and me many stories of his time with the 96th from training to combat. I would like to here from any one who remembers him and would like tell "their side of the stories". Please referance the 96th if you e mail me.

Subj: **RE:Old times**
Date: 5/8/99 12:06:59 PM Central Daylight Time
From: dstockham@earthlink.net (David Stockham)
To: dizzydon@aol.com

Just a line from a 73 year old "E" company vet. Joined the 96th 382nd in August of 44. Did Leyte and Okinawa. Spent 4 months in the hospital from that one. Have talked to both Parham and Harbison. Spent 9 months with the outfit and I don't think that either of them remembered me. Really shook up when I read that Tom Dargie passed away. Hadn't talked to him since 1947. If you know anyone one else out of E company give me a E-Mail

Thanks
Dave Stockham
9910A N. 97th Ave.
Peoria, Az. 85345

Subj: **Finding information**
Date: 6/29/99 3:52:14 PM Central Daylight Time
From: BobE@co.williams.nd.us (Bob Evans)
To: dizzydon@aol.com ('dizzydon@aol.com')

I am assisting a member of the 96th Inf. Assoc. in getting a purple heart award. He was a member of the 921st Field Arty. Service Battery. He was injured when an enemy round exploded and was hospitalized on Guam, Hawaii and at Fort Carson, CO. Any information on this unit as far as battles and locations will help a lot. Hope to here from you soon. Bob.

Walter S. Fredickson, PFC
SN: 37 318 407
PO Box 1531
Williston, ND 58802

Record 23

Name: Donald M. Burrill
Website: bdreed@trib.com
Referred by: Just Surfing On In
From: Casper, Wyoming
Time: 1999-10-14 22:38:50

Comments: I work at a Vet Outreach Center and I am trying to locate anyone who might have served with Don Burrill who served in the 96th Infantry div. Oct. 1943 to Dec. 1945. Thankyou if anyone could provide me with some information I would appreciate.

Name: Terry Dixon
Website: Military Order of the Purple Heart
Referred by: Lycos
From: Jonesborough, TN
Time: 1999-10-06 01:52:39

Comments: I am looking for any one who remembers CHANCY FRANKLIN DUGGER being wounded. He is trying to get his Purple Heart. I am Commander of the local MOPH Chapter and am helping him. If you remember him being wounded please contact me at grunt@xtn.net. Thanks and Semper Fi.

Record 5

Name: SEAN ROSS

Website:

Referred by: Yahoo!

From: NEW YORK

Time: 1999-09-14 23:53:31

Comments: My father was Pfc. HUGH ROSS and my uncle was Sgt. Bill Levasseur, have been trying to find website of 96th for some time and am very pleased that there is one.

Record 3

Name: Dennis Kiszka

Website:

Referred by: Lycos

From: Flint Mi now Orlando Fl.

Time: 1999-10-08 15:41:21

Comments: Son of Frank T. Kiszka 96 infantry. Father of Chris F (for Frank) Kiszka Army Infantry stationed Kentucky 101st airborne. Never quite understood what he was seeing as he would stare off into the distance for hours at a time. I knew all his friends and relatives acted as if he was really somebody. Now I know a little about what he went through and understand why he couldn't explain it to me and why they all acted as if he was a special man. He died while I was in my early twenties (22) but I'm still proud of him. Thanks to you all who fought with him.

Subj: **Web Page**

Date: 9/16/99 10:06:06 PM Central Daylight Time

From: DickH11256

To: DizzyDon

My name is Richard B. Hall. I was a Pfc in the 1st Bn. Hdq. Co. Anti tank Platoon, 381st. I went in as a replacement on Leyte and went all through OKI. I joined the 96th Association a couple of years ago, but have not been able to make the annual conventions I am 79 and am in pretty good health but outside of visiting my children (4) and many grand children I don't travel as much as I used to. I live in Garland, Texas.

I just want to let you know how much I appreciate the membership in the association and the DEADEYE DISPATCH. I have a grandson who is a 2nd Lt. in the Infantry and is currently in the Iowa National Guard. He teaches school and is having trouble deciding whether he wants to teach or become active. He is going to Ft. Hood in March. His girlfriend is from a farming community in Iowa and not too ready to leave. I'm sure they will work things out. He has become very interested in learning more about the 96th and has done a lot of research, gotten information from me, and some other ways. He says we must be one hell of a good outfit and was interested in Tokyo Rose.

Since joining I have gotten in contact with my platoon Sgt. and a couple of other buddies. Of course, many have passed on.

Enough for now, Just wanted to let you know how much I appreciate the Web Page and all the other information I get.

God Bless You.

Richard B. Hall, Jr.
127 W Rio Grande
Garland, Texas 75041

Record 7

Name: Charlotte Dean

Website:

Referred by: From a Friend

From: Arizona

Time: 1999-09-17 23:24:15

Comments: Very well done!

Little America Hotel
500 South Main Street
Salt Lake City, UT 84101
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fax: (801) 596-5911

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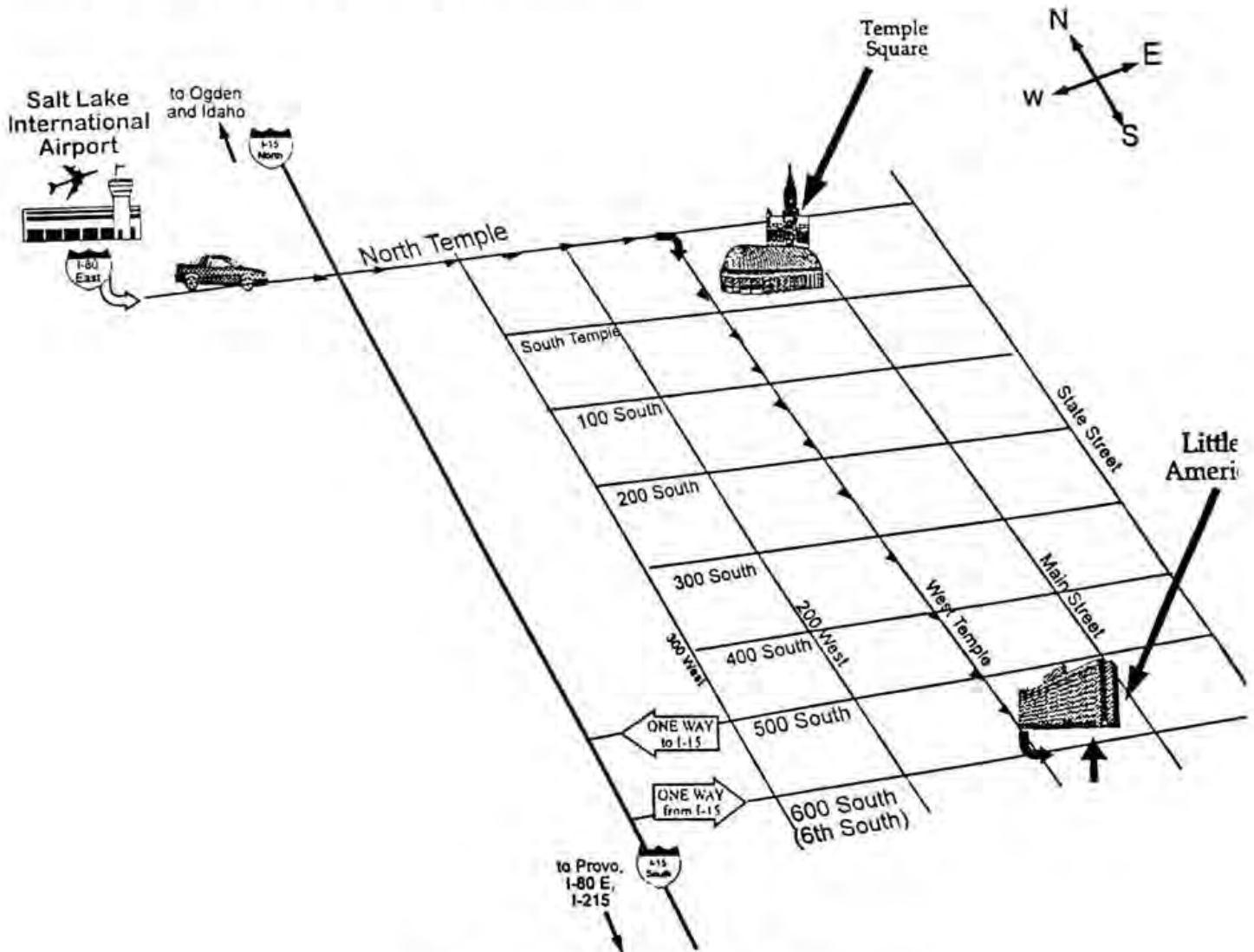
From: Salt Lake International Airport
To: Little America Hotel, downtown SLC

Follow signs leaving airport for I-80 East. Immediately after, take exit marked "North Temple".

- Follow North Temple approximately 6 miles east into the city.
- Turn right onto West Temple. Head seven blocks south on West Temple.
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The entrance to the hotel is on the left-hand side of the street.

Referring to this map, please follow the arrows.



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