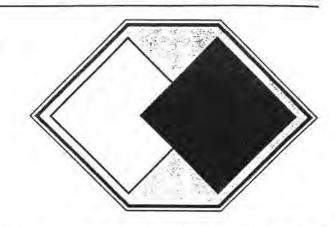
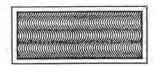
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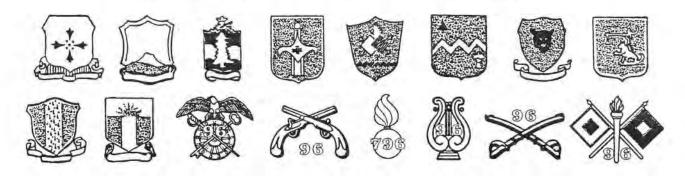
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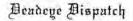
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Greetings to all Deadeyes and their wives, members of the 96th Infantry Division Association and its Ladies Auxiliary:



**FALL 2001** 

Dear Fellow Comrades-in-Arms, Wives, Children, Grandchildren, and Friends.

Thank you for your faith while electing me your President at Omaha. As my Boy Scout background has taught me, I will do my best to live up to your expectations.

Our Fall Planning Meeting is over, and I believe you will find an exciting program when you arrive next July. Read the itinerary with bus tours of the City, perhaps the Flamingo Hilton Casino, the Stephenson Apple Farm / Truman Museum, or again the Steamboat Arabia Museum / Toy and Miniature Museum. We previewed much of this area and found it inviting.

During these past few years, I have been reminded that we are indeed survivors, not only of service, but of time as well. I find myself with fewer of my comrades at the Company table than when we left Camp White.

Your officers have been noticing similar trail signs. In addition to the loss of our buddies, we all seem to have little losses ourselves; maybe a bit of hearing, or just name it we must know about it. Your Association has named a committee to study what the future of our organization might be, or to take steps to insure the remembrance of our deeds. It is working behind the scenes to evaluate how these old bones might keep working, and what direction to follow. Look for their thoughts and a report in the offing.

Tom Roby is the Chairman of the committee. Please share your suggestions, ideas, and plans with him and your Officers for future and better reunions. We look forward to seeing you in Kansas City and happy times.

Warmly,

Ernest W. Malkewitz, President 96th Infantry Division Association

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Dear Auxiliary Members and friends of the 96th Infantry Division Association,

As we return home from the annual 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association Reunion in Omaha, Nebraska, we have to think, undoubtedly, this year has to be the outstanding reunion that my husband, Ben, and I have attended over the past 24 years. The presentation ceremony of the 'Presidential Unit Citation' cannot be adequately described; this award at this late time in our life was especially emotional. I know several of you that were in attendance, have expressed the same opinion. Many of us did not fully realize how eminently the 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division is regarded. Our gratitude goes to Don Dencker for his diligence in pursuit of this recognition

The 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division memorabilia sales provided many new articles for the men and women who enjoy shopping. This is a fun time for those who work at the sales tables; our 'Thank You' goes to those who volunteered to help. If you are able to assist us in this capacity at Kansas City, please contact Carole Wargo, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, at 20 E. 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, Hazelton, PA 18201, or e-mail <u>koalamamal@webtv.net</u>.

The Ladies Luncheon continues to be a high point for us. In the past, we have had lovely donations from our members and guests; examples of needlework and handicrafts. These were displayed and awarded as door prizes. We would like to do this again as we feel you did enjoy participating. If your name is on the donation, the recipient can acknowledge your contribution.

We now have 637 Lifetime Members in the Auxiliary. If you are not a member, we invite you to join us, and enjoy the fastest four-day holiday you will have in 2002. Our delightful ladies luncheon, followed by an entertaining program; the solemn memorial for comrades and friends no longer with us; the local sightseeing tours; and then the wind-up banquet, as we sadly part for another year. Where else can you meet and visit with friends of like mind, except with the 'family of the 96<sup>th</sup>.'

I will look forward to seeing you all in Kansas City next July, 2002.

Sincerely,

Joyce D. Confer, President

Jayred Confee

96th Infantry Division Association Auxiliary

# **AWARDS**

#### 10 YEAR CERTIFICATES

Charles Beydler, George Brooks, John Elliot, Eino Filla, Olan F. Hill, Reino Jurvelin, Dale McComas, Paul Pittsley and Mark F. Ralph.

#### 15 YEAR CERTIFICATES

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#### 25 YEAR CERTIFICATES

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#### 35 YEAR CERTIFICATES

Alva Amelung, Loren Brinkmeyer, Richard Ellis and James B. Warren.

#### 43 YEAR CERTIFICATE

Val Heindrich

#### ATTENDED ALL 44 REUNIONS

Hubert Hoffman and Clarence Snyder. Mary Lou White (Auxiliary Member) has attended all 44 Reunions.

#### DISTINQUISHED DEADEYE AWARDS

Richard Haglund and George McMillan

#### OUR KIND OF GAL AWARDS

Alice Muff and Lela Russell

#### AUXILIARY FAITHFUL AWARD

Mary Lou White and Ann Obal

# notices

The Buckeye (Ohio) Chapter of the 96th Infantry Division Association will hold their 2002 Reunion the 1st Saturday following Mother's Day at the Der Dutchman Restaurant in Plain City, Oh. All Deadeyes and all attached units are welcome. For information contact RUSSELL WATTS -- 5107 Sassafras Rd., Columbus, 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 1, 2002 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 1, 2002. 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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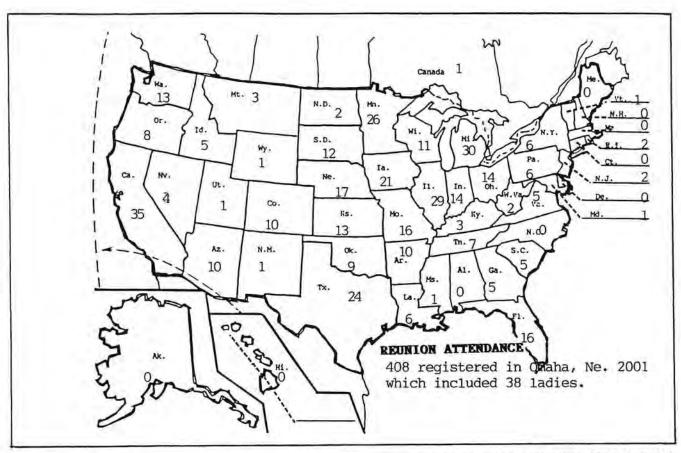
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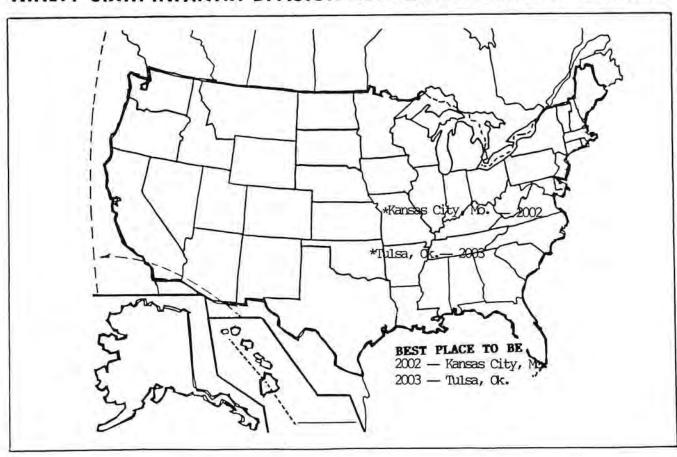
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# NINETY SIXTH INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REUNIONS



#### 96th INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION OFFICERS



Back row Left to Right -- Hubert Richter, Raymond Boykin, George McMahan, Robert Schmidt Front row -- Donald Dencker, Robert Cronshy, Ernest Malkewitz, Steve Melnyk Missing -- E. Jaye Thompson, Lorraine Strand, Robert Seifert

#### 96th INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY OFFICERS



Carole wargo, Joyce Confer, Ruth Siefert, Pat McMillan, Dorothy Jacobson, Dorothy Daniels. Missing -- Rosemary Cronshey

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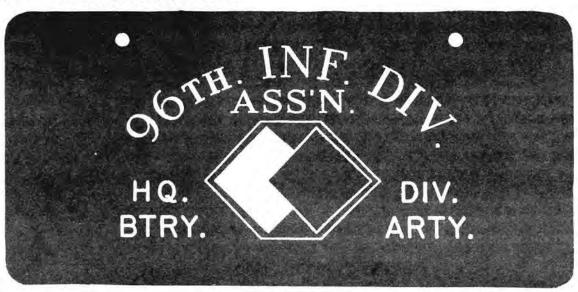
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rsiefert@paulbunyan.net Ruth Siefert, Treasurer

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.

# History of 'Taps'

We have all heard the haunting melody of "Taps." It's the song that gives us that lump in our throats and usually tears in our eyes. But do you know the story behind the song? If not, I think you will be pleased to find out about its humble beginnings.

Reportedly, it all began in 1862 during the Civil War, when Union Army Captain Robert Ellicombe was with his men near Harrison's Landing, Va. The confederate Army was on the other side of the narrow strip of land. During the night, Captain Ellicombe heard the moans of a soldier who was severely wounded on the field. Not knowing if it was a Union or Confederate soldier, the Captain decided to risk his life and bring the stricken man back for medical attention.

Crawling on his stomach through the gunfire, the Captain reached the stricken soldier and began pulling him toward the encampment. When the Captain finally reached his open lines, he discovered it was actually a Confederate soldier, but the soldier was dead. The Captain lit a lantern and suddenly caught his breath and went numb with shock. In the dim light he saw the face of the soldier. It was his own son.

The boy had been studying music in the South when the war broke out. Without telling his father, the boy enlisted in the Confederate Army.

The following morning, heartbroken, the father asked permission to give his son a full military burial despite his enemy status. His request was only partially granted. The Captain had asked if he could have a group of Army band members play a funeral dirge for his son at the funeral. The request was denied since the soldier was a Confederate. But, out of respect for the

father, they did say they could give him one musician.

The Captain chose a bugler. He asked the bugler to play a series of musical notes he had found on a piece of paper in the pocket of the dead youth's uniform. This wish was granted.

The hunting melody, which we now know at "Taps" used at military funerals, was born.

Here are the three verses:



Day is done Gone the sun From the lakes From the hills From the sky All is well, Safely rest God is nigh.

Fading light
Dims the sight
And a star
Gems the sky,
Gleaming bright
From afar,
Drawing nigh,
Falls the night.

Thanks and praise,
For our days,
Neath the sun,
Neath the stars,
Neath the sky,
As we go,
This we know
God is nigh.



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

| Last Name:   | First    | Name:                        |
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| Address:   |          | New?                         |
| City:  | _ State: | Zip Code:                    |
| Unit Served: Co/Rgt/etc  |          |                              |
| LIFE MEMBERSHIP DUES \$30.00   |          |                              |
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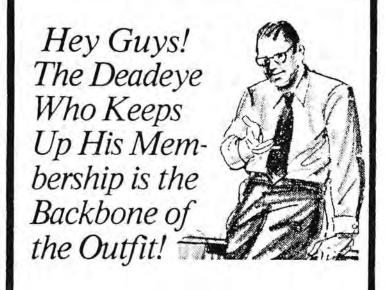
I see you at the meetings
But you never say "Hello",
You're busy all the time you're there
With those you already know.

I set 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.



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 |             |  |
|-------------|------|-------------|--|
| Trum's      |      | (Co, Regt.) |  |
| New Address |      |             |  |
| Old Address |      |             |  |

SEND TO: Mrs. Harold Strand, 604 S. Hazel, Glenwood, Iowa 51534-1860

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

#### WANT A UNIT ROSTER?

If anyone wishes a Roster of your old outfit PLEASE REMIT \$5.00 to:

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

Name Unit Co. Regt.

New Address

Old Address

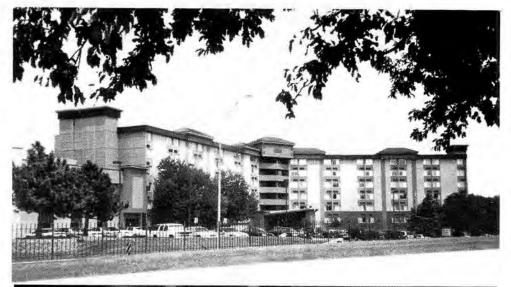
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PLEASE USE YOUR ZIP CODE! Postal Service requires a FULL ADDRESS!

Do you get your DISPATCH promptly?

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

# 96<sup>TH</sup> INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION'S 44<sup>TH</sup> REUNION 2001 OMAHA, NEBRASKA



OUR HOTEL

Holiday Inn Central



#### **OUR PLANNERS**

Douglas Burton Jennifer Cashat Bob Siefert

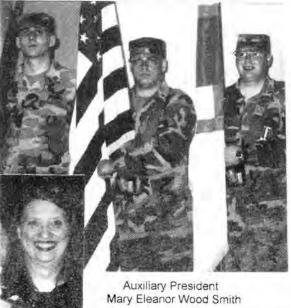
**OUR MEMBERS** 

#### MEMORIAL SERVICE

96th Infantry Division Association Annual Reunion July 28, 2001 1100 Hours Omaha, Nebraska

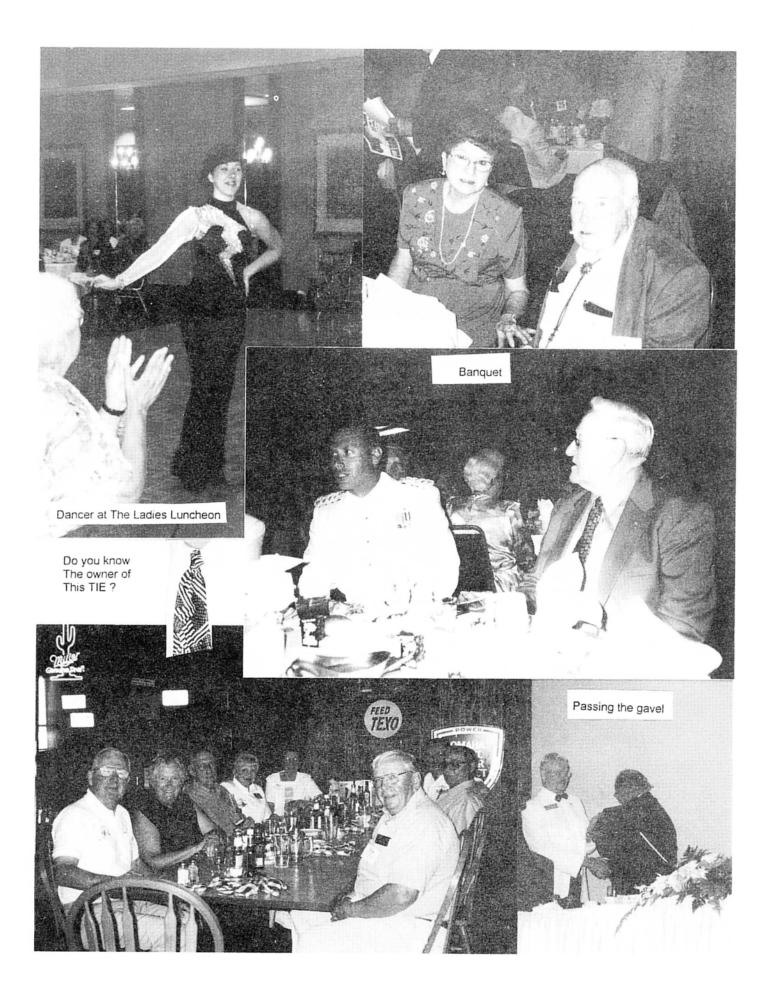
| Prelude                    | Jolene Buck   |
|----------------------------|---|
| Piping in the Officers     | Omaha Pipes and Drums   |
| Call to Order              |   |
| Piping in the Colors       | Omaha Pipes and Drums   |
| Presentation of the Colors |   |
| Invocation                 | Rev. Raymond Boykin E Co. 381st Infantry  |
|                            | e First Baptist Church of Omaha Men's Quartet<br>: Joe Anderson, MD; Dr. Rod Buck, ThD., DD;<br>Dr. John Sutton, JD; Prof. Kim Musick, MA |
| The Ballad of Roger Youn   | g The Quartet   |
| Memorial Address           |   |
| The Vacant Chair           |   |
| Poem "In Memory Of"        |   |
| America the Beautiful      | Trumpet Solo - Prof. Jim Musick   |
| My Buddy                   |   |
| How Great Thou Art         | (audience may join in) The Quartet  |
| Amazing Grace              | Omaha Pipes and Drums   |
|                            |   |
| Taps                       | Prof. Larry Hall  |
| Retiring the Colors        | Company A, 1-135th Signal Battalion   |











# **Memorial Plaque Dedication**

June 23, 2001 11:00 AM

Admiral Nimitz Museum and The Nation Museum of the Pacific War

# Fredericksburg, Texas

Program

Call to Order
Donald Dencker
Historian, 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association
Co. L, 382<sup>nd</sup> Infantry

Sound Attention (Please Stand) Bill Smallwood, Bugler, Fredericksburg, TX

Post the Colors

National Anthem

Pledge of Allegiance George McMahan 796<sup>th</sup> Ordnance Company

Invocation
Dr. Ronald L. Calhoun
Heights Baptist Church, Texas City, TX

Introduction and Greetings Helen McDonald, Assistant Director National Museum of the Pacific War

Dedication Remarks
Donald Dencker

Dedication Keynote Address

James Causey, President, 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association
Co. C, 381<sup>st</sup> Infantry

Unveiling of Plaque and Placing of Wreath Helen McDonald Fletcher R, Veach, Jr. Cannon Co.,382<sup>ad</sup> Infantry

> Taps Bill Smallwood, Bugler

> > Retire the Colors

Benediction Dr. R.L. Calhoun Dismissal



Fletcher Veach, Jr., Cannon Co.,382<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Salutes and Army Color Guard Presents Arms at Plaque Unveiling



Association President James Causey presents 96th Division Presidential Unit Citation replica to Helen McDonald for Display at the National Museum of the Pacific War/Admiral Nimitz Museum

150 in Attendance



96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Plaque at Admiral Nimitz Museum

# 96th INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION WEBSITE

Our Website Now Has It's Permanent Home At: http://www.96<sup>th</sup>-infantry-division.com Our site counter has exceeded **20,500** visits since Feb. 19, 2000.

Guest Book: Use our Guest Book which is a good way to locate Deadeyes and find information about their service in the 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division.

Your webmaster is looking for "War Stories" to add to our website. Send your story to dizzydon@aol.com

#### Army Presidential Unit Citation Award Ceremony



United States Army
Presidential Unit Citation
Award Ceremony
In Honor of the
96th Infantry Division
\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

July 27, 2001 8:45 AM

Palace Ballroom Holiday Inn Central

Omaha, Nebraska



The Program Cover

#### Army Presidential Unit Citation Award Ceremony

# **Presidential Unit Citation Award Ceremony**

Pre-Ceremony Music

43rd Army Band, Nebraska Army National Guard Specialist Brian Anderson, Director

Narrator's Welcoming Remarks

Donald Dencker, Historian, 96th Infantry Division Association Co. L, 382nd Infantry

City of Omaha Greetings

Pete Festersen

Representing Mayor Mike Fahey

Sound Attention

Bugler, 43rd Army Band

Official Party Arrival

Presentation of Colors

Command Sgt. Major Jeffrey Mellinger with First/Third Army Color Guard

National Anthem 43rd Army Band

Invocation

Raymond Boykin, Chaplain, 96th Infantry Division Association

Co. E, 381st Infantry

Award Ceremoney Remarks

Brig. General James P. Collins, U.S. Army Reserve

Commanding General, 96th Regional Support Command

Keynote Speaker

Lt. General John M. Riggs, U.S. Army

Director, Objective Force Task Force

Video Presentation Award Address

Presentation of Presidential Unit Citation, Certificate, Ribbon, and Streamer

Lt. General Riggs Presents Certificate to:

James Causey, President, 96th Infantry Division Association

Co. C, 381st Infantry

Lt. General Riggs Presents Citation to:

Ernest Malkewitz, Vice President, 96th Infantry Division Association

Co. M, 381st Infantry

Lt. General Riggs Presents Ribbon to Mr. Causey

Affixing Presidential Unit Citation Streamer to 96th Infantry Division Flag by:

Sam Wood, Lt. Col., U.S. Army, Retired

Co. M. 383rd Infantry

**Tank Battalion Citation Remarks** 

William Bonnell

Co. A, 763rd Tank Battalion

World War II Era Musical Selection

Congratulatory Message

Senator Ron Wyden, Oregon Presented by Molly McCarthy, Staff Assistant

Citation Acceptance Remarks

James Causey, Lt. Col., U.S. Army, Retired

Taps

Benediction

Chaplain Boykin

Retire the Colors

Army Song

43rd Army Band

Departure of Official Party and Dismissal

The Program

850 People Attended



Lt. General John Riggs Presents the Presidential Unit Citation Certificate to President James Causey and Vice President Ernest Malkewitz



Lt. General John Riggs Presents the Presidential Unit Citation Ribbon to President James Causey and Vice President Ernest Malkewitz



Lt. General John Riggs and Sam Wood, Co. K, 383<sup>rd</sup>
Infantry Attach the Presidential Unit Citation Streamer
to the 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Flag



Association Historian Don Dencker, Lt. General Riggs and Mike Moroz, Co. L, 382<sup>nd</sup> Infantry
Lt. General Riggs is the Son of Pfc. Wilma Riggs, Co. I, 383<sup>rd</sup> Infantry who was Awarded the Purple Heart and Bronze Star on Okinawa.
Lt. Gen. Riggs Current Assignment is Planning the Army of the Future

## 57th ANNIVERSARY BATTLE OF OKINAWA TOUR

June 21 through June 28, 2002

Association Historian, Don Dencker, Company L 382<sup>nd</sup> Infantry, 96<sup>th</sup> Division Will lead one more Army Oriented Okinawa Battlefield Tour. Tour emphasis Will be on areas fought for by the 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division. Included is transportation from San Francisco with 6 days and Hotel nights on Okinawa.

Places to be visited include Kakazu Ridge, Tombstone Ridge, Hacksaw Ridge & Needle Rock, Zebra Hill, Dick Hill, Conical Hill and Yaeju (Big Apple) & Yuza Dake Escarpments. In addition group will attend Ceremonies at Torii Station Army Post and the Okinawan Commemoration of the End of the Battle of Okinawa at the Cornerstone of Peace Monument. This Okinawan Monument has listed on large marble plaques the names of 14,005 Americans Killed in the Battle. The Brig. Gen. Easley and the Col. May Monuments at the Buckner Site will also be visited.

This Tour is organized by Valor Tours, Ltd. who specialize in Battlefield Tours. Valor Tours sponsored highly successful Okinawa Tours in 1995, 2000 and 2001.

The 96th Infantry Division Association is not involved with this tour.

A Brochure containing details of the 2002 Okinawa Tour has been prepared.

For Brochure, and complete information, call or write to:

Valor Tours, Ltd.

10 Liberty Ship Way, Sausalito, CA 94965

1-800-842-4504

-or-

Don Dencker 1375 Musket Ridge Drive, Sun Prairie, WI 53590 608-837-7479

#### Name Rubbing from Okinawa Battle Monument

The Cornerstone of Peace Okinawa Battle Monument built by the Okinawa Government has 14,005 names of U.S. Servicemen killed in the battle with a total of 240,000 names all together. Included are virtually all 96<sup>th</sup> Division names. Our Okinawan friend, Alex Kishaba has again offered to provide a rubbing of the name of any 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division man requested. So far Alex has provided over 30 requested rubbings. Simply mail to Alex, clearly printed, your name and address and the full name of the Deadeye killed on Okinawa. Mail to:

Mr. Alex Kishaba Arakaki 541, Nakagusuku-Son Okinawa, Japan 901-24

## 2001 Okinawa Tour Photos



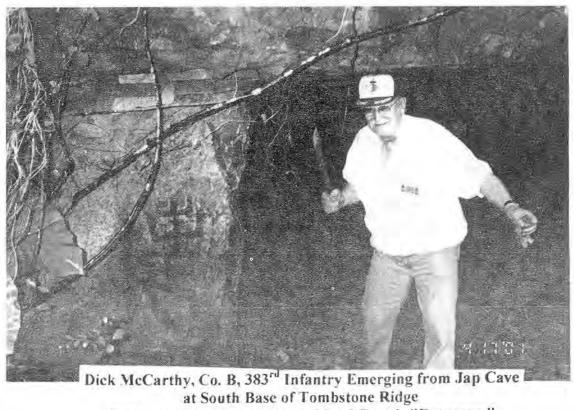
Tour Members by 96<sup>th</sup> Division Road at Marine Corps Camp Foster



Association President Ernie Malkewitz and Wife Lorraine Place Yen Coin in Mouth of Tomori Stone Lion Dog for Good Luck



Don Dencker, Co. L, 382<sup>nd</sup> Infantry by Surveyor Marker on Top Crest of Conical Hill



Japanese Character on stone side of Cave is "Entrance."



Richard Heindel Points to Name of His Father, Richard Heindel, Co. C, 382<sup>nd</sup> Inf., Killed in Action on Okinawa (14,005 U.S. Names on Marble Plaques)



Reconstructed Shuri Castle

#### Contributions Needed for:

# 96<sup>TH</sup> INFANTRY DIVISION RECOGNITION FUND

The objective of this fund is permanent preservation of the Legacy of the 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division at sites in the United States that display World War II activities in which our 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division participated.

- Project 1: Provide a 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Flag in the MacArthur Memorial in Norfolk, Virginia. \$850.00

  The Douglas MacArthur Memorial, Archives and Library is a museum complex owned by the City of Norfolk. The Flags of every Division that served under General MacArthur are displayed except that of the 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division.
- Project 2: Provide a 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Flag or Plaque for the new Pacific Wing of the D-Day Museum in New Orleans, Louisiana. \$850.00

  This impressive Pacific War Wing will open December 7, 2001.
- Project 3: Procure Leyte Battle, Okinawa Battle, Pacific Victory and Presidential Unit Citation Streamers for the Association 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Flag. \$300.00

This request for contributions has been approved by the Executive Committee of the 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association with the objective of achieving these 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Memorializations in 2002.

Please Send Your Contributions to:

Robert Schmidt, Treasurer 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association 1284 McKusick Road, Lane N. Stillwater, MN 55082-4162

## 96th Infantry Division Recognition Fund Contribution

| Name    | Unit     | Amount |
|---------|----------|--------|
| Address | City     |        |
| State   | Zip Code |        |

Make check out to the 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association With Notation: Recognition Fund

#### LOVE COMPANY BOOK ANNOUNCEMENT

Love Company is the factual account of a young U.S. Army infantryman's experiences serving in a front line Rifle Company during the battles of Leyte, Philippines and Okinawa, Japan. The trials and triumphs of his unit, Company L,  $382^{nd}$  Infantry Regiment,  $96^{th}$  Infantry Division is faithfully detailed as his outfit meets the enemy in the swamps and jungles of Leyte and then on the fire-swept hills and ridges of Okinawa. During the course of these battles, Love Company, which landed 187 men on Leyte, suffers over 300 battle casualties. The few surviving battle-wise veterans and a steady stream of replacements heroically carry the fight to the Japanese until the end of fighting on Okinawa, the last battle of World War II.

Love Company and the rest of the 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division, almost immediately after Okinawa, is shipped to Mindoro, Philippines for rehabilitation and to prepare for the invasion of Japan. To everyone's overwhelming relief, the atomic bomb ends the war, and interest turns to returning home. The wait ends and the author returns home to complete a civil engineering education at the University of Minnesota.

In writing Love Company, the author includes events encompassing the big picture of the war against the Japanese and the achievements of the 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division. The author also manages to interject into the narrative humorous events as they occur during the deadly days of combat.

Sale of the book <u>Love Company</u> by the Ladies Auxiliary has been endorsed by the Executive Committee of the 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association. Book sales royalties will go to the Association. The book will be available for purchase at less than a BookStore price at the July 2002 Reunion.

<u>Love Company</u> is to be published on February 28, 2002 by Sunflower University Press of Manhattan, Kansas. The author is Don Dencker, Historian, 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association. Book Specifications:

Durable Soft Cover, approximately 380 pages
6 inches by 9 inches size
70 illustrations, consisting of approximately 56 photos,
11 combat maps and 3 documents
Book Store Price, approximately \$20, excluding sales tax

#### THESE DEADEYES, WIDOWS, DAUGHTERS & SISTERS REGISTERED IN OMAHA, NE. IN 2001

#### DIVISION HEADQUARTERS

Ellis Hosback -- Bethel Park, Pa.

#### 381 - HEADQUARTERS

Leon Mannell -- Topeka, Ks.

John Murcko -- Brookfield, Oh.

Roy Oliphant -- Carmel, In.

Joseph Sciara -- Akron, Oh.

E. Jaye Thompson -- Mercer Island, Wa.

#### 381 — SERVICE

NONE

#### 381 -- ANTI-TANK

Arlene (Bud) Beeler -- Newaygo, Mi.
B. J. Bjorklund -- Cloverdale, Ca.
Harold Bree -- Melbourne, Ky.
Kelley Caldwell -- Nevada, Mo.
Charles Cole -- Canon City, Co.
Eldred Fryer -- Mineral Wells, Tx.
Wayne Roles -- Decatur, Il.
Robert Schmidt -- Stillwater, Mn.
Al Trybulski -- Saginaw, Mi.
Earl Williams -- Council Bluffs, Ia.

#### 381 -- CANNON

Louis DeLuca -- Lafayette Ca. Glenn Hamilton -- Metamora, Il. Vernon Jensen -- So. Sioux, Ne. John Wargo -- Hazelton, Pa.

#### 381 - MEDICS

John C. Cook -- Quincy, Wa. Lestel Harvey -- Shelbyville, Mo. Ann White (Dau. Stanley Braden) Elliott, Ia.

#### 381 -- 1st BN. HQ.

Harold Brown -- Spokane, Wa.

#### 381 - COMPANY A

Joe Chrzanowski -- Lansing, I1.
R. H. Duncan -- Flora, Ar.
Charlie Parlier -- Arvin, Ca.
Albert Schmidt -- Sioux Falls, Ia.(?)

#### 381 - COMPANY B

Loren Brinkmeyer -- El Dorado, Ks. Richard Feltis -- Stewartville, Mn.

#### 381 — COMPANY C

John Baran -- Hot Springs, Ar. James Causey -- Liberty, Ms. Elmer Chapman -- Memphis, Tn. William Culp -- Aurora, Co. Eino Filla -- LaCenter, Wa. Eli Kokotovich -- Duluth, Mn. Alex Kurak -- Minneapolis, Mn. Phillip Newell -- Willits, Ca. Peter Spagnuolo -- Tampa, Fl. Robert Swart -- Cordell, Ok.

#### 381 -- COMPANY D

Sam Benson -- Hewitt, Tx.

Edgar Jeswein -- Alsip, I1.

Bill Johnson -- Weaverville, Ca.

Richard Kelcourse -- Virginia Beach, Va.

Paul Lambrix -- Olympia, Wa.

Ervin Radke -- Corvillis, Or.

William Sax -- Rock Island, I1.

Earl Thompson -- Newtown, Mo.

Ted Weber -- O'Keene, Ok.

Raymond Wahl -- Huron, S. D.

#### 381 -- 2nd BN. HQ.

Al Altig -- Hemet, Ca. Robert Kline -- LeRoy, Mi. Daniel McCurdy -- Cincinnati, Oh.

#### 381 -- COMPANY E

Betty Jean Arms (Harold) -- Granada Hills, Ca.
Raymond Boykin -- Noble, Ok.
Douglas Burton -- Selma, Ca.
Virginia Camp (Donald) -- Fresno, Ca.
Louis Canedo -- Dan Diego, Ca.
R. F. conger -- Baker, La.
Robert Cronshey -- Logandale, Nv.
Duane Edmonds -- Blaine, Mn.
Phyllis Fritz (Joe) -- Beatrice, Ne.
Fred Hagelgans -- Pasadena, Md.
Richard Haglund -- Steilacoom, Wa.

James Henley -- Cornado, Ca.
Dorothy Jacobson (Gerald) -- Fridley, Mn.
James Knight -- Nelsonville, Oh.
Kenneth Poe -- Twin Falls, Id.
Hubert Richter -- Kingston, N. Y.
Mike Schornak -- Fridley, Mn.
Robert Siefert -- Deer River, Mn.
Orville, Towne -- Muskegon, Mi.

#### 381 — COMPANY F

Willard Bollinger, -- Clayton, Mo. John Holt -- Indianabolis, In. Bill Williams -- Pomona, Ca.

#### 381 -- COMPANY G

Robert Jones -- Omaha, Ne. Arden Pridgeon -- St. Joseph, Mi. Bill VanSkike -- Great Bend, Ks. Maurice Wenker -- Melrose, Mn.

#### 381 -- COMPANY H

Vijko Baricev -- New Orleans, La.

Albert Bartzat -- Eugene, Or.

Etha Caswell (George) -- Odessa, Tx.

William Dryer -- Park Falls, Wi.

Raymond Gullickson -- Austin, Mn.

Velma Malone (Tommie) -- Gibson, Tn.

Eutiquio Martinez -- China Hills, Ca.

Robert Marwell -- Chicago, Il.

Dale McComas -- Monroe, Ia.

Paul Nicholson -- Abilene, Ks.

Alfred Weiss -- Teaneck, N.J.

#### 381 - 3rd BN. HQ.

Royal Degnan -- Ft. Riley, Mn.
Sylvester Heinen -- Seneca, Ks.
Davids Hollands -- Plano, Tx.
Sylvan Merritt -- CleElum, Wa.
John Obal -- Omaha, Ne.
Arthur Reis -- Cicero, Il.
Albert Scherger -- Naples, Fl.
Fred Sears -- Clearwater, Fl.
Thomas Underhill -- Bakersfield, Ca.
Roy Williams -- Hammond, In.

#### 381 — COMPANY I

Edward DeWitt -- Ludington, Mi.
Frank Dowell -- New Port Richey, Fl.
Paul Foster -- Topeks, Ks.
Robert Rock -- Dallas, Tx.
Oren Scott -- Pawnee, Il.
Don Spence -- Concord, Ca.
Kelly Wong -- Portland, Or.
Lye Worthy -- Atwood, Ks.
Arthur Zlomek -- Chicago, Il.

#### 381 =- COMPANY K

Floyd Brehmer -- Madison, Mn. James Large -- Aberdeen, Wa. Alice Peightal (Preston) -- Erie, Pa. Stanley Smith -- Marion, Ia.

#### 381 — COMPANY L.

Clifford Anderson -- Spearfish, S. D. Richard Anderson -- Omaha, Ne. Francis Annis -- Flushing, Mi. Theo Chrisman -- Hallsville, Tx. Bob Davis -- Goshen, N. Y. George Frazier -- Terre Haute, In. Richard Hageboeck -- Arizona City, Az. Arnold Lockyer -- Marshall, Mi. Ed Haurer -- Harshaw, Wi. Steve Melnyk -- Detroit, Mi. Charles Simon -- Mansura, La. Donald Tolliver -- Vincennes, In. Carl Weber -- St. Louis, Mo.

#### 381 - COMPANY M

Ruth Below (Virgil) -- Fostoria, Oh.
Charles Beydler -- Cantonment, F1.
Pamela Beydler (Dau.Charles) -- Cantonment, F1
Horace Floyd -- Troy, Mi.
Joseph Garbedian -- Fresno, Ca.
Joe Gonzales -- Renton, Wa.
Glyn Hollingsworth -- Collierville, Tn.
Ernest Malkewitz -- Comstock Park, Mi.
Lorraine Strand (Harold) -- Glenwood, Ia.
Mary Williams (Harold) -- West Branch, Ia.

#### 382 - HEADQUARTERS

Peter Fritz -- Phoenix, Az. Harriett Sterner (C. D.) -- Lincoln, Ne. Leonard Weber -- Friend, Ne.

#### 382 -- SERVICE N O N E

#### 382 -- ANTI-TANK

Grady Davis -- Wynne, Ar.
Lawrence Hartmann -- Rapid City, S. D.
Johnnie Karry -- Parsons, Ks.
Carlos Oropeza -- San Diego, Ca.
Paul Pittsley -- Boscobel, Wi.
Orville Spicer -- Stillwater, Ok.
Renwyn T. Triplett -- Middletown, Va.
Russell Watts -- Columbus, Oh.

#### 382 — CANNON

NONE

#### 382 - MEDICS

Gerald Fawley -- Elkhart, In. Clifford Gertson, Cheynne, Wy.

# 382 — 1st BN. HQ.

#### 382 -- COMPANY A

Robert Jones -- Pacific Junction, Ia.

#### 382 - COMPANY B

Roy Holmes -- Memphis, Tn.

John Iseli -- Abilene, Ks.

Rodney Larson -- Priest River, Id.

Martin Mak -- St. Joseph, Mi.

Anthony Pintaure -- Sieverville, Tn.

#### 382 -- COMPANY C

Alva Amelung -- Minera, Oh. Walter Boyd -- Waco, Tx. Whitney Champagne -- Lake Charles, La. Aaron Cree -- Seminole, F1. Richard Ellis -- Athens, Mi. Richard Heindel -- Farmington, Ut. Ralph Heise -- LaPorte, In. Peter Henz -- Arlington, Tx. Neil Potter -- Gerald, Ia. Tom Roby -- Watertown, S. D. Howard Johnson -- Omaha, Ne. Alvin Rose -- Acworth, Ga. Robert Russell -- Curtis, Ne. George Schipper -- George, Ia. Mary Thompson (Francis) -- Ft. Worth, Tx. John Ulman - Hudson, Wi.

#### 382 — COMPANY D

Geneta Apple (Aubrey) -- Dardanelle, Ar.
Donald Bloom -- Monroe, Wi.
John Bornong -- Sioux City, Ia.
T. W. Dohl -- Venice, Fl.
Arnold Sauber -- Dundas, Mn.
Vester Wroten -- Forrest City, Ar.

#### 382 — 2nd BN. HQ.

Joseph Manzella -- San Francisco, Ca.

#### 382 — COMPANY E

Jack Bernardi -- Reno, Nv.
Vernon Duncan -- Jacksonville, Fl.
Edward Goll -- Wayland, N. Y.
Billy Parham -- Ada, Ok.
Irene Snyder (Jesse) -- Bellevue, Mi.

#### 382 - COMPANY F

Hank Armstrong -- Castle Rock, Wa.
John Boyack -- Vacaville, Ca.
Ino DeRoss -- Weed, Ca.
John Graves -- Standish, Mi.
John Kent -- Battle Creek, Mi.
Betty Lovsin (Anthony) -- Willoughy, Oh.
Pasquale Mielke -- Hyde Park, N. Y.
Edward Mockrish -- Greenville, S. C.
Brandon Neal -- Chico, Ca.
Russell Packard -- Saginaw, Mi.
Wayne Page -- DeSmet, S. D.
Rolland Zech -- Sandusky, Oh.

#### 382 - COMPANY G

Melvin Parrish -- Commerce City, Co. Arza Smalley -- Alexandria, Va. Fletcher Veach -- San Antonio, Tx.

#### 382 -- COMPANY H

Dolores Cisko (Joseph) -- Port Richey, F1.

Dolores Clark (??) -- Port Richey, F1.

Everett Combs -- DeSota, Tx.

Keith Hand -- Coloma, Mi.

Robert Heindricks -- Stephens, Mn.

Elwyn Hollenbeck -- Tecumseh, Mi.

Jim Hunter -- McCleary, Wa.

Nancy Jasnoch (Gilbert) -- Ogallala, Ne.

Kent Kellegrew -- Chatsworth Lake, Ca.

Fred Mehlhoff -- Indio, Ca.

Howard Nye -- Bozeman, Mt.

Louis Sanglier -- Lewiston, Mi.

Norman Schram -- Roger, Ar.

Margaret Short (James) -- Berkeley, Ca.

Donald VanDoornik -- Hamilton, Mi.

#### 382 — 3rd BN. HQ.

Ed Sazama -- Sioux Falls, S. D.

#### 382 -- COMPANY I

Alton Berger -- Westby, Wi.
L. Dean Burtis -- Imperial, Ne.
Charles Frazier -- Beech Grove, In.
William Keselowski -- Paw Paw, Mi.
Leon Miles -- Hot Springs, Ar.
Roy VanVark -- Pella, Ia.

#### 382 - COMPANY K

George Brooks -- Kalamazoo, Mi. Al Dussilere -- East Moline, II. Lorney Dussilere -- East Moline, II. Wilber Fite -- San Antonio, Tx. Loren Fredenburg -- Shevlin, Mn.
Andrew Garber -- Hobart, In.
Wells Horvereid -- Minnetonka, Mn.
Jesse Johnson -- No. Little Rock, Ar.
Leonard Lazarick -- Holland, Pa.
Russel Pohle -- Angels Camp, Ca.
Robert Seiler -- Portland, Or.
Anthony Shock -- Hot Springs Village, Ar.
Elmer Volness -- Fargo, N. D.
John Walsh -- Larkspur, Ca.
Edwin Wright -- Rogersville, Mo.

#### 382 — COMPANY L

Donald Dencker -- Sun Prairie, Wi. Art Klawender -- Gladwin, Mi. Michael Moroz -- Mt. Laurel, N. J. Alva Smith -- San Juan Capistrano, Ca.

#### 382 - COMPANY M

William Hill -- Indianapolis, In.

#### 383 — HEADQUARTERS NONE

383 — SERVICE NONE

383 — ANTI-TANK NONE

# NONE

#### 383 -- MEDICS

Bill Bunevich -- Rocky River, Oh. Jerome Connolly -- Garden City, N. Y. Les Guengerich -- Sun Lakes, Az. William Horton -- Portsmouth, Oh.

#### 383 -- 1st BN. HQ.

Norma Barth (Victor) -- Toledo, Oh. Robert McMillan -- Springdale, Ar. Edmund Nowicki -- Dearborn, Mi. Oscar Vickers -- Coahoma, Tx.

#### 383 -- COMPANY A

Tom Carroll -- Plano, Tx.

Grady Daniels -- Granbury, Tx.

Daryl Haerther -- Strasburg, Co.

Robert Huff -- Indianapolis, In.

Frances Marlenga (Joseph) -- Milwaukee, Wi.

Patrick McDermott -- Las Vegas, Nv.

George Robertson -- Cambridge, N. Y.

Glenn Robinson -- So. Charleston, W. Va.

#### 383 -- COMPANY B

Jim Black -- McMinnville, Or.
Arvid Bowman -- Shelbyville, Ky.
Genevieve Hanning (George) -- Chicago, Il.
Richard McCarthy -- Coos Bay, Or.
Don Oberlander -- Menoota, Il.
Harold Sletten -- Northridge, Ca.
Jerry Stewart -- Santa Fe, N. M.
Elmer Sweeter -- Canton, S. D.

#### 383 -- COMPANY C

Spencer Bullard -- Lakewood, Co.
Walter Egeland -- Two Harbors, Mn.
Bos Ensor -- Oakton, Va.
Royce Harper -- Lincoln, Ne.
Charles Hufstetler -- Simpsonville, S. C.
Leslie Mund -- Salmon, Id.
Don Peterson -- Merrifield, Mn.
John Harold Ryan -- San Angelo, Tx.
Ed Sagurton -- Vero Beach, Fl.
L. T. Sinnett -- Rock Island, Il.
Frank Switzer -- Danville, Il.

#### 383 - COMPANY D

Donald Shearer -- Glendive, Mt. Earl Zinc -- Algiers, La.

#### 383 - 2nd BN. HQ.

Reino Jurvelin -- Coeur D'Alene, Id. Joseph McCaffrey -- Tallahassie, Fl. Jack Roe -- Exton, Pa. Larry Winters -- Montrose, Co.

#### 383 -- COMPANY E N O N E

#### 383 -- COMPANY F

Herbate Bate -- Downers Grove, I1.

Dwight Buus -- Tea, S. D.

Mercer Carey -- East Jordon, Mi.

Vernon Corbin -- Cincinnati, Oh.

Orrie Gruwell -- Sutter Creek, Ca.

Henry Haynes -- Auburn, Ne.

Keith Trowbridge -- Manhattan, Ks.

#### 383 -- COMPANY G

Albert Adkisson -- Decaturville, Tn.
Orville Caspers -- Swaledale, Ia.
John Cramer -- Dixon, Il.
Ivan Davis -- Coyville, Ks.
Leonard Deutsch -- Rancho Palos Verdes, Ca.

#### 383 -- COMPANY H

Richard Book -- Miles, Tx.
Earl Conrad -- Englewood, F1.
Estel Dawson -- Banning, Ca.
Olan Hill -- Surprise, Az.
Mike Martz -- Yorkville, II.
Howard Stock -- Lone Tree, Ia.

#### 383 - 3rd BN. HQ.

Howard Bentley -- Columbus, Oh. Jack Loftus -- Missouri Valley, Ia. Ernest Martinez -- Conyers, Ga. Nels Olsen -- Huron, S. D.

#### 383 -- COMPANY I

Merlin Bennett -- Plainview, Tx. Charles Branaugh -- Yankton, S. D. Harry Brown -- St. Louis, Mo. William Burd -- San Jacinto, Ca. Mel Coobs -- Boise, Id. George Curry -- Overland Park, Ks. Mary Harbert (Tyrus) -- Grand Junction, Co. Arnold Kuester -- Prescott Valley, Az. Maynard Ludwig -- Plattville, Co. Martin McCullough -- Kenniwick, Wa. S. T. Morris -- Holdenville, Ok. Iva Dean Phillips -- Memphis, Tx. C. L. Snyder -- Shenandoah, Ia. Bob VonHolle -- Villa Hills, Ky. Charles Weidler -- Paradise Valley, Az. Mary Lou White (Henry) -- Mackinaw, Il. Ruth Wright Wood (Lee Wright) -- Oregon, I1.

#### 383 -- COMPANY K

Byron Boals -- Tucson, Az. Les Brown -- New Palistine, In. Herman Buffington -- Jefferson, Ga. Scott Buffington (Son Herman) -- Jefferson, Ga. John Elliot -- Cheney, Wa. Ray Emmons -- Eugene, Or. Sally Hlavay (Dau. Sam Wood) -- Alberta, Canada Paschal Kin -- Kingsport, Tn. Marvin Reames -- Kingfisher, Ok. Margaret Rhodes (Sis. Charles) -- St. Elmo, Il. Estil Schild -- No. Glenn, Co. Claude Sinnen -- Shakopee, Mn. Mary Eleanor Smith (Dau. Sam Wood) -- No. Augusta, S.C. Glenn Stewart -- San Carlos, Ca. Ray Strenski -- Green Bay, Wi. Dorothy Tinker ( Carl) -- St. Louis, Mo. Herbert Wolf -- Waitsfield, Vt. Samuel Wood -- Spartanburg, S. C. Sam Wood (Son Sam Wood) -- Ft. Mill, S. C.

#### 383 -- COMPANY L

Erma Helsel (John Crabb) -- Milwaukie, Or. Agnes Rezac (Milton) -- Weston, Ne. Anne Scable (Paul Eastin) -- Atwood, II. Billy Stubbe -- Ayr, Ne. James Warren -- Fairbault, Mn.

#### 383 -- COMPANY M

Robert Allen -- Elliott, Ia. George Cowan -- Alton, II. Kenneth Dolan -- Denver, Co. Martha Holman (Eugene) -- Milan, Mo. Edward Redlin -- Naples, Fl.

#### DIVISION ARTILLERY

Donald Foster -- Topeka, Ks. John McCallum -- Minnesota Lake, Mn. Elmer Sieckmann -- Florissant, Mo. Raymond Tarver -- Oklahoma, Mo.

#### QUARTER MASTER

NONE

#### MILITARY POLICE N O N E

#### RECON

James Juhl -- Princeton, W. Va.

Joseph Camilleri -- Sonoma, Ca.

#### SIGNAL

Calvin Clements -- Lubbock, Tx.
Hubert Hoffman -- Wichita, Ks.
Paul Jukuri -- Westland, Mi.
Clarence Keegstra -- Wayland, Mi.
George Lisle -- Chesterfield, Mo.
Marvin Nelson -- Superior, Wi.
Ga. Peter Pohl -- Stacy, Mn.
Charlie Rodgers -- Omaha, Ne.
Lee Schaefer -- Pittsburgh, Pa.
ada Harold Straube -- Marine, I1.
Wallace Walters -- Glendale, Az.

#### 921 FIELD ARTILLERY

Robert C. Benner -- Fairfield, Mt. Ambrose Hermann -- Muscatine, Ia. asta, S.C.

Garland Johnson -- Emerson, Ia. Dowaine Kinser -- Red Oak, Ia.

#### 361 FIELD ARTILLERY

Kenneth Camp -- Bethany, Mo.
Bartholomew Daly -- Brookfield, I1.
Fred Davis -- Elk City, Ok.
Al DeCrans -- Park City, Mn.
Val Henrick -- Sarasota, Fl.
Karel Knutson -- Puposky, Mn.
Charles Moynihan -- Surprise, Az.
Harold Rabine -- New Baltimore, Mi.
James Russell -- Burnet, Tx.

#### REGISTERED — NO RECORD

Gen. Collins -- ??

John Diggs -- 381 -- Dallas Tx.

Col. Lynn Humphreys -- Chaplain -- ??

Claude McKinney -- ??

Steve Oeder -- ??

Lawrence Sall -- Co. D. -- Fayetteville ??

#### 362 FIELD ARTILLERY

Arnold Clemens -- Adams, S. D.
Oliver Haecker -- San Antonio, Tx.
Ralph Kopp -- Stratford, Wi.
Oliver Thompson -- Grand Junction, Ia.

THE ABOVE AND FORGOING NAMES ARE ONES GIVEN TO ME BY ARMED FORCES REUNIONS AS THOSE WHO REGISTERED IN OMAHA, NE.

#### 363 FIELD ARTILLERY

Merwin Hill -- Verona, Il.

I apologize for any names omitted or added if you did not attend.

#### 321 MEDICS

William Clark -- Tucker, Ga.
Arthur Creason -- Hannibal, Mo.
Alvis Harrell -- Mt. Vernon, Il.
Alice Muff (Herbert) -- Crete, Ne.
Joseph Munshaw -- Oregon, Mo.
Karl Sinning -- Sioux Falls, S. D.
Martha Vallery (Milton) -- Forest Hill, Va.

#### 321 ENGINEERS

Madeline Moes (Clarence) -- St. Paul, Mn. Eric H. Tengerstrom -- Cicero, II.

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#### 728 AMPHIBIOUS

NONE

#### 796 ORDINANCE

Ben Confer -- Carmel, Ca.

D. B. Dobson -- Mitchell, S. D.

Don Doerr -- Sun City West, Az.

George McMahan -- Houston, Tx.

Joseph McShane -- Munster, In.

Chloris Nickerson (Russell) -- Truman, Mn.

#### TASCO

Don Richardson -- Troy, Mi.

#### 593 ASSAULT SIGNAL

NONE

#### CAVALRY

A. A. Cuthbertson -- Lamoille, Nv.



I'm trying to help my nephew find someone that was in Okinawa with his Dad in World War II. He was never interested in what his dad went through until lately. His Dad died about fourteen or fifteen years ago, his Mother is now dead and I think he is looking back on life like a lot of us old timers are doing. His Dad was -- Eugene Havard, 383 Infantry Company L. He was wounded 13, 1945 in Okinawa. If you could help find someone that knew my brother-in-law for my nephew that served in the Battle for Okinawa, we would appreciate it very much. I was in the battle for Okinawa but was in the Navy and can't know that it was like on the Island.

The Son is: Steve Havard, 4081 Springdale Rd., Mobile, Al. 36609. Phone number is 1-334-344-6664.

Marvin Carpenter (uncle of Steve) 8835 Friendship Rd. Houston, Tx. 77080-4109 Phone: 1-713-461-9169

This note is long overdue. Personal and/or committments and responsibilites have prevented me from attending any of the 96 Infantry Division Association annual Reunions. This should not be interpreted as a lack of interest on my part. On the contrary, over the years I have read with keen interest the articles appearing in the Deadeye Dispatch. A sincere Thank You to those of y ou who have worked so diligently to make the Association what it is. I personally deeply appreciate what you have done, and continue to do. The 96th Infantry Division was an important part of my life from 1944 to 1946. It continues to be through the Association.

Wesley Wellander -- 383 Medic 1210 Sycamore St. Turlock, Ca. 95380 We will not attend the convention in Omaha, Ne. Lawrence had a knee replacement operation in January and did real well. However, it is easier for us not to attend the conventions any more. We thoroughly enjoyed the 26 or 27 that we attended in the past years. We do enjoy the Deadeye Dispatch each fall and spring.

Lawrence Albert -- 381-C 916 N. Robin Rd. Wichita, Ks. 67212-3234

The Deadeye Dispatch, Spring 2001, Taps on page 47 tells that Llewellyn Orphan passed away. Notice by wife, but made no mention of his Unit. Lew was in 382-F and a very nice guy. He was a little older than a lot of peach fuzz faced kids. Lew was not very tall, slightly bald and sort of a Father figure. I remember sitting with him shortly after the A-Bombs were dropped. We agreed that a landing on Japan would likely do us in. Hope he had a good life, because he was a good Soldier.

John P. Graves -- 382-F P.O. Box 576 Standish Mi. 48658-0576

So many cards, notes, letters, phone calls, flowers, gifts, food and cookies to snack on. This past year I have been in the hospital twice and received treatments over the past year. I'm now on the road to recovery. How do you say THANK YOU to the many people who took the time to remember me and the numerous prayers for my recovery? Without all the good wishes and prayers, I would not be feeling as good as I do. The Deadeye Family is the very best. God Bless each and every one of you.

Lorraine Strand, Editor Deadeye Dispatch

Enclosed is a check for my life membership. I received a copy from a friend. I lost touch after my Discharge. I didn't land on Leyte, but dug plenty fox holes on Okinawa and received two Purple Hearts. I haven't attended any reunions, but didn't know about them. Would like to hear from any remaining members of 381-G.

Phone No. 1-423-894-0366

Con C. Smith 216 Eads St. Chattanooga, Tn. 37412

I may be optimistic getting a lifetime membership at age 93. I may be the oldest or one of the oldest members of the Association still living. I attended the last annual meeting in Cincinnati two years ago and the last one before that was at Louisvill when I last saw old friends Hoss Mitchell and Col. Ken Ericson.

Eward W. Stare -- 383-Hq. 5133 So. Ridge Dr. Cincinnati, Oh. 45224

Three months ago I wrote your Association to see if they could support one of our new museum exhibits with a distinctive insignia for each infantry regiment assigned to the 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division during World War II. These distinctive insignias would be on display as part of our museum's "Fighting Infantry Regiments of World War II" exhibit. I am writing again to see if you had any luck in obtaining a 381<sup>st</sup>, 382<sup>nd</sup>, and 383<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Regiment insignias for this museum? I ask this because our exhibit is still missing one for each regiment. At the present time, I am using "paper" illustrations in lieu of the actual metal distinctive insignias.

Any assistance you can give to this museum facility in obtaining distinctive insignias for each infantry regiment mentioned will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

David S. Bingham

Museum Curator
Ft. Polk Military Museum

P. O. Box 3916

Fort Polk, La. 71459-0916

There is a 96<sup>th</sup> Division Monument at Camp Adair, Oregon about 8 miles north of Corvallis. There are also monuments of 70<sup>th</sup> Division, 91<sup>st</sup> Division, and 104<sup>th</sup> Division.

We have a guest book at the entrance and it is interesting to see who has visited the area and remarks they leave. I was with the Cadre for the 96th and returned to the area at the end of the war.

Not only do we have the monument area, but it is within a wildlife refuge. We also have 2 excellent museums. One at Philomath Oregon and another at Rickreal Oregon. They have some very interesting items and stories from Camp Adair.

If any Deadeyes or their family members are planning a trip to this area, write me or phone me and I shall be happy to meet you, tell something of the area, and visit the museum.

John Pfaff

Btry B, 362nd F.A. BN

20 S. 4th Street

Independence, OR 97351

Phone: 503-838-1854

We haven't been able to make a reunion since Ft. Mitchell, Ky. Therefore, I didn't get my Association dues paid. Please reinstate me so I can get on the mailing list. We won't be able to make Omaha this year but should be back for Kansas City, Mo.

Charles Whitfield -- 382-Medic 13 Herencia Circle Hot Springs Village, Ar. 71909

This letter come to you in the form of a request for any information you might be able to offer in my historical research of Company M and the 382 Regiment during World War II. A young PFC Fabian W. "Woody" Prieur was a member of M Company. He was a machine gunner in M Company and an uncle of mine (now deceased). I am an honorary member of the 96th Division Association. I am attempting to obtain enough personal information about campaigns, invasions, battles, personal experiences as well as any recollections of others in the unit to create a large picture of the role that the soldiers of M Company and the 382nd Regiment played in World War II. An information, recollections, stories, anything (no bit of information is insignificant) you might share would be a great help. I have ordered day reports, battle narratives and unit histories from the War College in Carlisle, Pa. to help in my research. Feel free to call me, I will call right back at my expense. A letter, a note, a photo (returned promptly) would be a great help.

E-Mail: johnjlhull@aol.com

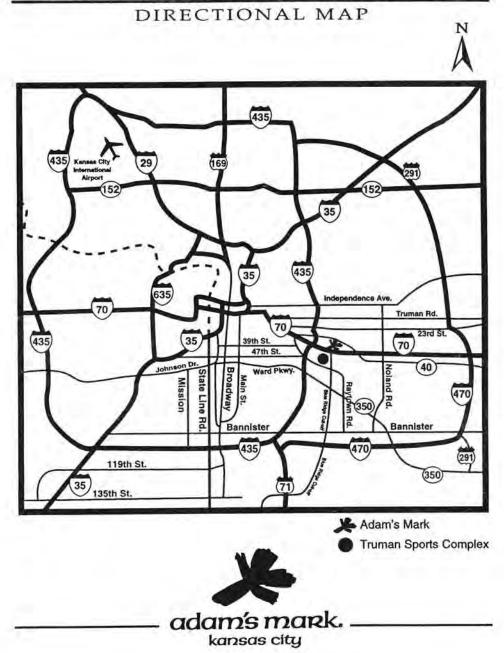
John L. Hull 1401 Ida Avenue Flint, Mi. 48503 Telephone 1-810-767-3595

I checked the 96 Division on the internet and got your website at the Library. I was member of the 780th Amphibious Tank Bn. Co. C attached to the 96th Infantry Division for the invasion of Leyte and Okinawa. In fact we were the first wave in for both battles. I have not been able to trace anyone from the 780th, although I might have if I went to one of the 96th Division reunions. I noted on your website that the 96th Division recently received the Presidental Unit Citation. Where can I find out if attached outfits are included and if so how is it recognized.

Malcolm Komitor 8006 S. Logan Dr. Littleton, Co. 80122-2834

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