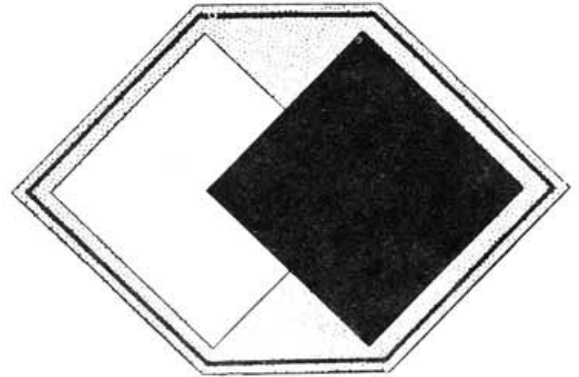


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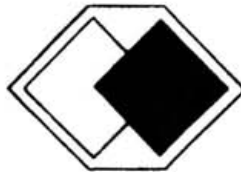
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President's Corner



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



Dear Deadeyes, Wives and Friends:

Thank you again for electing me as your president of this 96th Division Association. It has been almost eight months since we last saw each other. Many memories come to my mind during this spell of time.

Some memories are about good times that we have gained each reunion, and believe me, they get better each year. We also are meeting more of our buddies from the past because of retirement coming on. We encourage those of you who have not come to a reunion before to change your feelings of the military to pleasant thoughts.

Many of us who hated being in the army - picking up someone else's cigarette butts, facing miserable days and nights at Leyte and Okinawa, and facing death should realize one thing -- We lived through the worst of times. Some of our buddies did not. It is up to us to gether together each year as long as we can, to keep the thoughts of our lost heroes alive and also to put a spark in our remaining years going from one reunion to another.

We all know our conscience was clear during our recent Desert Storm victory, as we watched a war on TV. Yet, it seemed that going to bed in dry clean sheets seemed unfair to those brave people at war.

As I said in my acceptance speech, every man was a hero during our time because there was no way out until victory. Every Mrs. Deadeye that tied herself to one of those heroes is equally a hero. We were not an easy group to deal with. The compliments to that were that our officers made us what we were -- soldiers and heroes. Our women took us from what we were and gently turned us back into livable people. We owe a lot of love and gratitude to them.

In closing, the above thoughts are from my experience with the 96th Division Deadeyes, and I don't feel that anyone else was any different from me.

Every morning as I hoist my flag up in front of my house, and every evening as I lower my flag, I thank God for giving me the strength and courage to have fought for this -- the safest most beautiful country in this universe. Also, the thought of my living buddies, and my buddies who were not as fortunate, are brought into play twice each day.

May we have a successful reunion. Please come and join us in Louisville.

Joseph Garabedian, President
96th Division Association

Auxiliary Corner

96th INF. DIV. ASSN.

DEADEYES
ANNUAL REUNIONS



Dear Auxiliary Ladies and Deadeyes:

Spring is here. Super Tuesday has come and gone. Super July will soon be here when the 96th Deadeyes and their ladies will meet in Louisville, Kentucky for the 35th Annual Reunion.

Henry and I just returned from Branson, Missouri where the 381st Cannon Co. hosted a party for the 80th birthday of Louis DeLuca. Happy Birthday, Louie.

The Rafferties and the Von Hollies have been working very hard this past year making arrangements for the reunion. Make reservations early for the events you plan to attend. Pre-registering will save time for you and it will help the treasurer.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you in Louisville in July. Ya' all come now, hear!

Sincerely,

Mary Lou White, President

96th Inf. Div. Assoc. Auxiliary

TO ALL DEADEYES:

Your dues are what pays for the "DEADEYE DISPATCH". Please mail your dues in today to Ed Dunning using the following form.

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ATTENTION: Be sure to complete blank for Unit Served.

Here is \$6.00, my annual membership dues for the year.

Name _____ Unit Served _____
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Make Remittance Payable to: 96th Infantry Division Association Auxiliary dues are \$2.00 per year.
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The price for an Auxiliary 3 line badge is \$4.00 with pin back.

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15 YEAR CERTIFICATES:

Jack Barron, Jake Bitzer, Floyd Coppinger, Paul C. Foster, George Hannig, John Kloeppe, Clarence C. Moes, Norris Stokke.

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Loren J. Brinkmeyer, Melvin Coobs, Russell Watts, Iden A. Johnson, Marcel P. Oubre, John Obal.

30 YEAR CERTIFICATES:

Edward Dakan and Edward Dunning.

Joe Fritz, Hubert Hoffman, C. L. Snyder, Richard S. VanEtten and Henry White have attended all the reunions. CONGRATULATIONS!

The following ladies received "OUR KIND OF GAL" Certificates.

Marilyn Elliott, Betty Jacobson, Clara Belle Knight, Gwen Martin and Ruth Siefert.

The DISTINGUISHED DEADEYE award went to Hubert Hoffman. Hubie and his wife have attended all the reunions.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU.

It is people like you all that make the Association so great and each reunion a success.

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The Michigan Chapter of the 96th Inf. Div. Assn. invites all Deadeyes to attend their Annual Reunion in 1991. For further information contact -- MILO THOMPSON, 1018 S. Thompson St., Jackson, Mi. 49203-2848.

The Buckeye (Ohio) Chapter of the 96th Inf. Div. Assn. will hold their 1992 reunion the 1st Saturday following Mothers Day in 1992 at the American Legion Post in Marysville, Oh. All Deadeyes and all attached units are welcome. To get on the mailing list please contact RUSSEL WATTS, 5107 Sassafras Rd., Columbus, Oh. 43229.

The Northwest Chapter of the 96th Inf. Div. Assn. will hold their 13th Annual Reunion June 7, 1992 at the Old Officer's Clubhouse at Camp Adair, Benton County Park, Corvallis, Or. All 96th Div. Assn. members and attached personnel are welcome. It will be "Pot Luck" at noon and arrival time will be 9:30 to 10:00 A.M. For more information contact CECIL L. WILLIAMS, 1218 King Road, Winlock, Wa. 98596, President or W. C. THOMAS, 1930 Advance Rd., West Linn, Or. 97068, Corresponding Secretary.

TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE: Hopefully, someone is contemplating to host the 38th Annual Reunion in 1995. All requests should be in the Committee's hands no later than May 1, 1992. The petition should contain the name, address and phone number of the ON-SITE Chairman, his assistants, and any other information regarding a program, hotel/motel commitments, tours, parking, etc. PLEASE DIRECT ANY CORRESPONDENCE TO:
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GLENN HAMILTON -- 2918 N. Western Ave., Peoria, Il. 61604 (309-688-4009)
DOUGLAS BURTON -- 11279 S. Fowler, Selma, Ca. 93662 (209-891-0352)

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JAMES WARREN -- 916 7th Ave. SW, Faribault, Mn. 55021 (507-334-5454)
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96th Infantry Division Association

July 23-25, 1992 - Louisville, Kentucky

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- 2) If the hotel requested is not available, your next choice will be assigned based on availability.
- 3) Complete all information requested below and mail before June 20, 1992.
- 4) No telephone requests will be accepted.
- 5) If you have requested more than one room, list the names of the occupants in each room on a separate sheet and attach to form.
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Home Phone: _____ Business Phone: _____
Room Occupants Names: _____

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A generous sample of Kentucky's beauty, unique treasures, excellent cuisine, and matchless entertainment. By comfortable air conditioned, rest room equipped motor coaches, we will leave our Convention Center and visit Bardstown, Kentucky.

FIRST STOP: Jim Beam's Outpost museum where more than 500 of Beam's world famous decanters are displayed and the amazing origin of Kentucky Bourbon is disclosed. CONCURRENTLY, half of our entourage will tour the beautiful, Isaac Bernheim Forest. This lovely park provides examples of the wide variety of trees, shrubs, plants, animals and birds common to Kentucky.

A few miles further south we will tour historic Bardstown, long the center of the Kentucky distillery industry due to it's abundance of pure limestone water. In addition to numerous historic homes we will see the first Roman Catholic Cathedral west of the Alleghenies, completed in 1819.

At HILLBILLY HEAVEN we will enjoy a lavish buffet with no limit to quantity, including dessert and beverage. Blue Grass and Country Music with commentary and mementos will entertain you during the meal.

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March 1, 1992

Dear Member of 96th Infantry Division:

Congratulations on your upcoming Golden Anniversary 96th Infantry Division reunion 23, 24, and 25 July. Olan Mills has been chosen by the planning committee to record the events of your reunion.

Plans are being made to prepare a Reunion Memory Book. Photographers will be available at the reunion and every member (and their spouse if present) is encouraged to be photographed so the memory book will be complete.

The cost for the Reunion Memory Book is \$15.00. This price includes tax and postage to be mailed to your home address. The book must be ordered and paid for at the reunion. If you are unable to attend, you can still order a copy of the Golden Reunion Memory Book. Send \$15.00 with your return address to:

Gary McClurg
Olan Mills
R.R. 4 Box 118A
Morgantown, IN 46160

To those of you attending the reunion, please bring the attached sitting ticket and give to the photographer. This is needed from everybody, even if you do not wish to order a book. A room number will be posted at the convention stating where and when pictures will be taken.

Proofs of the portraits taken at the reunion will be sent to your home. You will be under no obligation to make a purchase.

We are looking forward to meeting you at the convention.

Sincerely yours,

Gary McClurg
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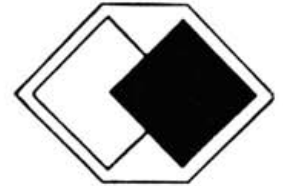
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96th INF. DIV. ASSN.

DEADEYES

ANNUAL REUNIONS



35th Annual Reunion
 Hurstbourne Convention Center
 Louisville, Kentucky
 July 23,24,25th, 1992

Wednesday, July 22 - FOR EARLY BIRDS

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Pre-registration packets - Conference Ctr lobby
 3:00 pm - 12:00 pm Bardstown tour, dinner, Stephen Foster Musical

Thursday, July 23

8:30 am - 10:00 am Executive Meeting - Farmington Room
 8:30 am - 10:00 am Ladies Auxiliary Executive Mtg. - Appalachian Room
 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Registration - Conference Center Lobby
 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Churchill Downs Museum, Old Louisville Tour
 3:30 pm - 9:00 pm Churchill Downs Museum, Old Louisville and Belle of Louisville Cruise
 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm Reunion Kick-off Party, cash Bar - Julia Belle Rm.

Friday, July 24

9:00 am - 4:00 pm Registration - Conference Center Lobby
 9:00 am - 9:30 am General Open Meeting - Julia Belle Ballroom
 9:30 am - 11:00 am Ladies Auxiliary Meeting - Burley, Cumberland, Derby Rm
 9:30 am - 12:00 am Division Association Meeting - Julia Belle Ballroom
 11:30 am - 1:00 pm Ladies Auxiliary Luncheon - Grand Belle Hall
 8:00 pm - 11:00 pm Beer Bust and Dance - Grand Belle Hall

Saturday, July 25

9:00 am - 11:00 am Registration - Conference Center Lobby
 9:00 am - 10:30 am Division Association Meeting - Julia Belle Ballroom
 11:00 am - 12:00 am Memorial Service - Grand Belle Hall
 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm Banquet Table Reservations - Conference Ctr. Lobby
 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Catholic Mass - Burley/Cumberland room
 6:30 pm - 12:00 pm Banquet & Dinner Dance, Awards & Introduction of New Officers.

PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHERS WILL BE AVAILABLE BY APPOINTMENT ON ALL THREE DAYS FROM OLAN MILLS. A GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY PHOTO ALBUM WILL BE AVAILABLE.

REST AND RECREATION, HISTORICAL DISPLAYS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE ALL THREE DAYS IN THE GOLDENROD ROOM.

SEE YOU IN LOUISVILLE, KY.

DO YOU REMEMBER CAMP ADAIR?

Camp Adair, a World War II army cantonment, was located north of Corvallis on 50,000 acres in Benton and Polk Counties. The site was chosen by the United States War Department as a training site for Triangular Divisions. Each division consisted of 15,000 men assigned to infantry, artillery and engineering units with the necessary support personnel. However, the divisions at Camp Adair never reached their full complement of men. In order to construct this cantonment, which became the second largest city in Oregon, families were uprooted, cemeteries relocated, railroad tracts rerouted, and the small community of Wells was erased.

Today, only a few buildings and foundations remain to mark the main cantonment site of Camp Adair. A sign on U.S. Highway 99W commemorates the divisions that trained there. The 50,000 acre site that made up the camp is owned by state and local governments and individuals.

Four infantry divisions were trained at Camp Adair for overseas duty: the 91st Powder River Infantry Division, the 96th Deadeye Infantry Division, the 104th Timberwolf Infantry Division and the 70th Trailblazer Infantry Division. Three of the divisions, the 96th, 104th and 70th were activated at Camp Adair and the 91st was activated at Camp White near Medford, Oregon.

In August 1986, the Benton County Historical Museum installed an exhibit about the history of Camp Adair. As more information and memorabilia become available, the exhibit is up-dated. Meanwhile, the museum staff and volunteers continue to gather documentary materials and objects about the cantonment and its impact on the surrounding communities.

If you or someone you know has recollections about Camp Adair, you can help the Museum add to the historic record. They are seeking information from former military and civilian camp personnel and their spouses (if they were also in the area), from townspeople who lived nearby during World War II, and from landowners who were displaced by the camp. They ask that you write or record your memories, and give the museum a copy for the Camp Adair History Project.

If you would like to help, or have papers, photographs, or other objects that you would be willing to donate to the museum's Camp Adair collection, please write to: Judy Rycraft Juntunen, Asst. Director/Librarian, Benton County Historical Museum, P.O. Box 47 - 1101 Main St., Philomath, Or. 97370-0047.

Your Editor wishes to thank Paul A. Extrom -- 381-E for sending the above article about Camp Adair, Oregon.

BE THERE FOR THE TIME OF YOUR LIFE



David M. Rafferty (763 Tank) Robert VonHolle (I-383)
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 Elizabethtown, KY 42701 Ft. Wright, KY 41001

The program chairman and his assistant are all set for the reunion in Louisville, KY, July 23 - 25, 1992.

DEADEYE REUNIONS

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2	1959	Chicago, IL	223
3	1960	Kansas City, MO	264
4	1961	Detroit, MI	over 250
5	1962	Dallas, TX	over 200
6	1963	Little Rock, AR	about 200
7	1964	Portland, OR	about 150
8	1965	Minneapolis, MN	330
9	1966	Indianapolis, IN	364
10	1967	Omaha, NE	351
11	1968	Chicago, IL	551
12	1969	Des Moines, IA	354
13	1970	Detroit, MI	434
14	1971	Denver, CO	376
15	1972	New Orleans, LA	426
16	1973	Peoria, IL	526
17	1974	Indianapolis, IN	433
18	1975	Kansas City, MO	482
19	1976	Ft. Worth, TX	462
20	1977	Cincinnati, OH	449
21	1978	New Orleans, LA	398
22	1979	Denver, CO	432
23	1980	Springfield, IL	533
24	1981	Milwaukee, WI	487
25	1982	Dearborn, MI	476
26	1983	Houston, TX	376
27	1984	St. Paul, MN	591
28	1985	Oklahoma City, OK	549
29	1986	Fresno, CA	428
30	1987	Memphis, TN	607
31	1988	Peoria, IL	622
32	1989	Rapid City, SD	632
33	1990	Omaha, NE	660
34	1991	Spokane, WA	511

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CORRESPONDING SECRETARY REPORT

Two years ago in Omaha, a motion was made and passed that disabled persons should be given preference at the headquarter Hotel. You who are disabled should send your reservation request for the 1992 Louisville Reunion now. Tomorrow may be too late. On your request write that you are disabled. This should help you get a room at the Hurstbourne Hotel, which is the reunion Headquarter Hotel.

I receive many letters from wives of deceased Deadeyes who write that they wish that they had made at least one reunion. Because of one reason or other they failed to come -- always waiting for next year. Do not become one of those persons. Make 1992 Louisville reunion your year before it is too late. Our visit to Louisville, Ky. for the planning meeting and inspection of the Hurstbourne Hotel and Conference Center, was productive and interesting. I am sure all who attend will have a wonderful time. The Conference Center is being revovated and should be in excellent condition for our reunion. David Rafferty, Jim Forshee and Robert VonHolle Chairmen for the Louisville reunion, have wonderful trips planned for your enjoyment.

I want to thank the following persons for giving up their time to help me at the Spokane reunion -- Juanita Shelton, Therese Melnyk (my wife) and W. H. Faulkner and also Ed and Ann Dunning at the Registration Table.

Steve Melnyk

HELP YOUR EDITOR

Once again your Editor is making a plea to all the Deadeyes and Gals who are receiving the Deadeye Dispatch.

IF you are not interested in receving the Dispatch, please notify the Editor of the Dispatch or one of the Officers. My Thanks to those who took the time to write.

If you are not paying your dues, it is very unfair to those who do pay dues. Your dues pay for the Dispatch. At the present time, there are over 6000 names on the mailing list. The price of printing and the Postage has gone up. If your Dispatch is returned with a change of address, marked Unknown, Deceased or marked "TEMPORARILY AWAY," the fee for each return is 35¢.

Please help bring the mailing list up to date, and do PAY YOUR DUES.

The Post Office is requiring that we use all nine (9) numbers of your zip code. Drop us a card giving the correct numbers.

Come to the Louisville, Ky. Reunion and greet all your buddies and friends.



(Top) Don Dencker points to Torii Station where the Easley-May monuments turned up. (Bottom) Alva Smith's finger is on the site of the General Buckner Memorial to which the 96th's monuments might be relocated.

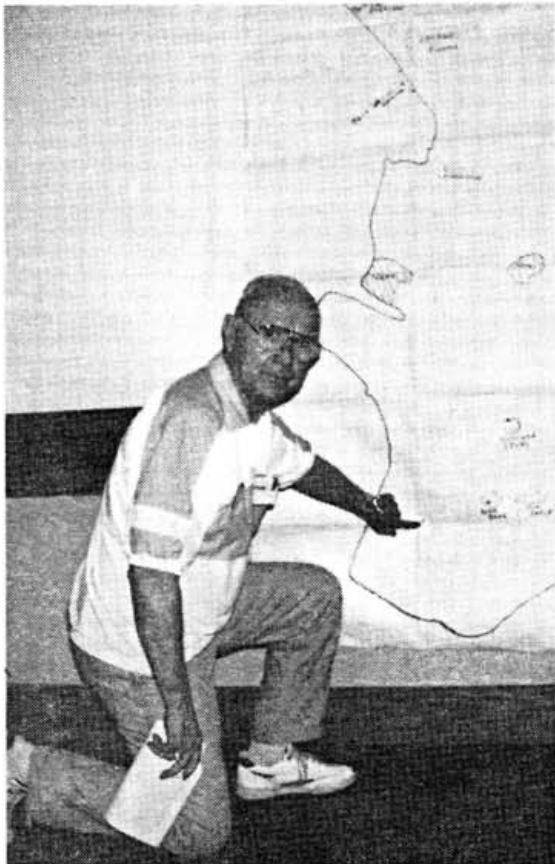
When Don Dencker and Alva Smith, two buddies from L-382, visited Okinawa in the spring of 1990 the old battlefield had had been transformed. The ghosts of their long ago war seemed to have been exorcised by an amazingly modern and thriving civilian economy. And this time the military activities of the Japanese and Americans were being carried out side by side rather than head-on.

One fine day the two tourists went looking for the Easley-May monuments.

Hard to believe, but the monuments had disappeared without a trace and gone also was the site. Instead of a neat little park on the reverse slope of Yuza Dake next to Big Apple where the monuments were supposed to be, Dencker and Smith, in dismay, watched heavy earthmoving equipment altering the landscape. Someone explained that a Japanese corporation was developing a \$160 million country club.

Dencker and Smith recalled bits of a story from the Division's history book about events that had happened so many years before. It was back on July 12, 1945, shortly after the end of the battle for Okinawa, when a plain concrete monument with a bronze plaque had been dedicated on the hillside where Brig. Gen.

Missing Easley-May Monuments Found



By-Don Dencker, 740 Pilgrim Tr., Sun Prairie, WI 53590
Alva Smith, 31941 Paseo Terraza, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675
With-Ed Dakan B-381

Claudius Easley fell. "... those who in the future pass this way should know that here died a gallant and distinguished soldier," said General Bradley in his memorial address.

At about the same time on another rocky crest just a few hundred yards farther to the north the DEADEYES emplaced a marker to honor Col. Edwin May, commander of the 383d, who had been killed on June 5.

In 1972, after the original markers had crumbled, members of the 96th Infantry Division Association provided the wherewithal to purchase new beautifully carved granite monuments. These were placed together on a "permanent" site where the first monument to Easley had stood.

That was then, but how to handle the now?

The two DEADEYES did not have much to go on. Besides being strangers in a foreign land, the lack of time was another difficulty.

An Okinawan friend, Shizuo (Alex) Kishaba, helped Dencker and Smith get into the Japanese Self-Defense Base that was known to be near the monument site. This installation had been op-

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Missing Easley-May Monuments Found (Continued)

erated by the U.S. Air Force at the time when the monuments were restored, but later was handed over to the Japanese.

The base engineer accompanied Dencker and Smith to the vacated monument site which as close as they could guess had been incorporated into a fairway. At the edge of a nearby green, however, the developers were taking pains to preserve the ruins of a Japanese pillbox.

The DEADEYES came away from Okinawa with- learning the fate of the monuments, except that they certainly had been hauled away by Americans a long time ago. Alex Kishaba had agreed to continue the search.

Such were the points of the Dencker and Smith report later that summer at the reunion in Omaha.

Hoping against hope that the monuments had not been destroyed, incoming President Jim Knight appointed Dencker and Smith to serve as an ad hoc committee to find out the rest of the story. They were not promised any financial help from the Association though.

By the fall of 1990 Kishaba had located the monuments at a small U.S. Army installation called Torii Station. The line was that an Army colonel had chosen to relocate the monuments after they were declared to have been abandoned. Throughout the whole process, nobody ever made contact with the Association in spite of the fact that "96th Inf. Div. Assn." was plain to be seen etched into the bases of both monuments.

Back on Okinawa in April 1991 on their own hook, Dencker and Smith twice visited the monuments at Torii Station. On one occasion, during a command retreat staged by the U.S. Army, wreaths were placed after suitable remarks by Chuck Moynihan (361 FA) and Dick McCarthy (B-383).

Dencker and Smith reported again at the reunion in Spokane. They also speculated about the uncertain future of the Torii Station, since the Army has less than 1,000 troops currently on Okinawa and cuts might be in the works.

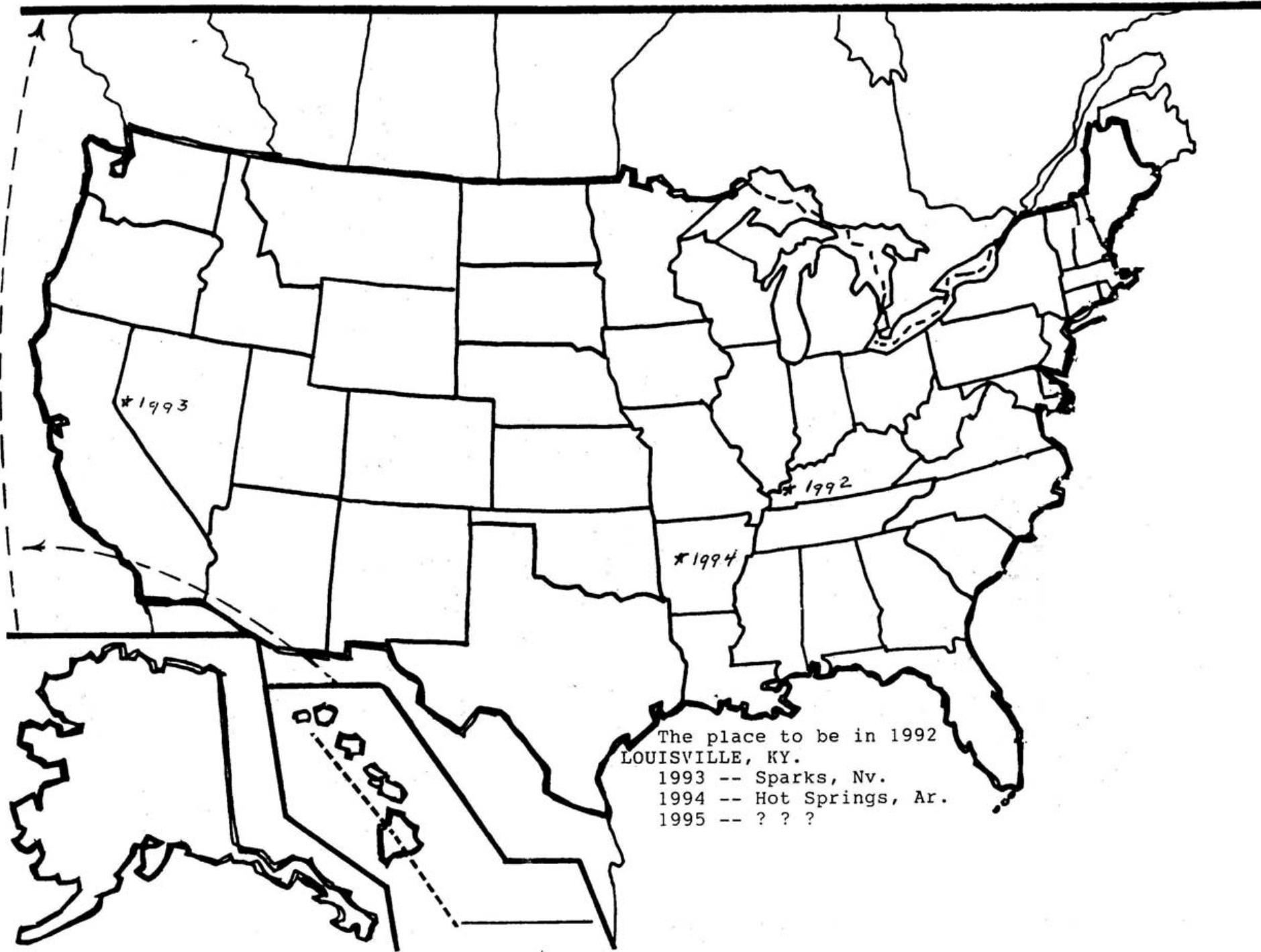
The ad hoc committee's last instructions were to look into the possibility of removing the monuments from Torii Station and having them set up at the site of the General Buckner memorial that is being permanently maintained.

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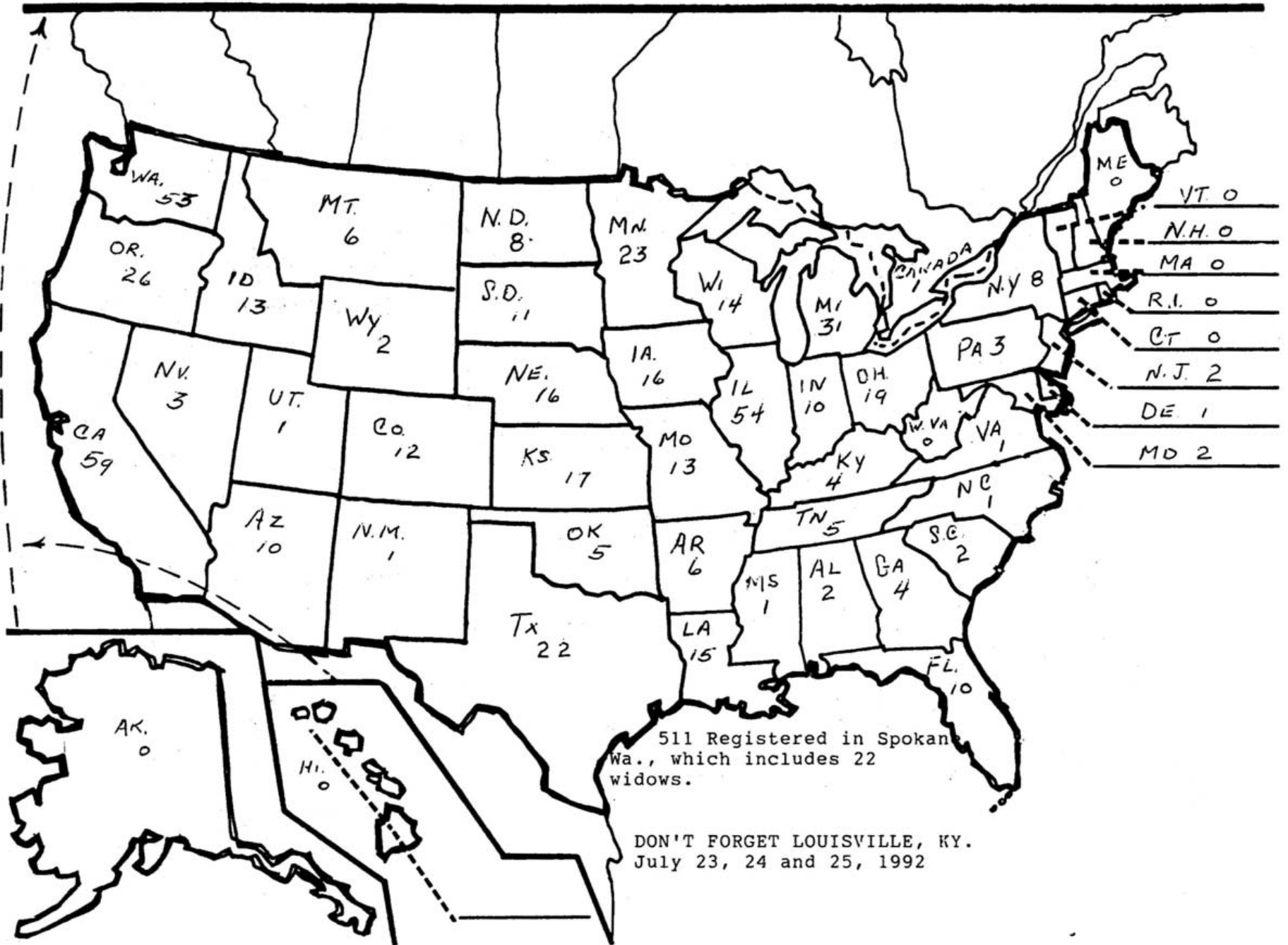
Torii Station, Okinawa

Today the Easley-May monuments stand immediately below two official flagpoles, one flying the American flag and the other flying the Japanese flag.





The place to be in 1992
LOUISVILLE, KY.
1993 -- Sparks, Nv.
1994 -- Hot Springs, Ar.
1995 -- ? ? ?



In Memorium...



"Taps"

God, in his infinite Wisdom, has summoned more "DEAD-EYES" who served their country faithfully and well in war and peace. The 96th Infantry Division Association mourns their passing and extends sympathy to their surviving families.



Eugene Agnew -- 381-C
per Phillip D. Newell

Henry Oetjen -- 381-M
per daughter-in-law -- 1968

John C. Britt -- 381-C
per Post Office

John Priest -- 383-B
per Post Office

J. Landis Manson -- 382-SVC
per Norma Bauer -- 5-3-91

George L. Brewer -- 383-3rd BH
per Daughter -- 6-15-90

Stanley D. Gorzalek
per Post Office

Cletus Kirchberg -- Signal
per wife -- 4-4-91

Joseph Podlo
per Post Office

Edwin M. Smith -- 383-L
per Post Office

Howard Delf -- 381-AT
per wife -- 6-24-89

James G. Cunningham -- 361-FA
per Karel Knutson -- 11-26-1990

William Fenc1 -- 383-F
per wife -- 7-6-85

Herbert Eckstein -- 363-FA
per sister -- 12-2-90

Clarence E. Lincoln -- 383-AT
per John Nasser -- 2-16-91

Roland J. Luquette -- 362-FA
per Post Office

Ashur Parker -- 381-K
per wife -- 1-19-91

Larry Saatzer -- 382-SVC
per Norma Bauer -- 7-15-90

A. L. Dalton -- 321 - Eng.
2-22-89

Thomas J. Hatt -- 383-K
per wife -- 2-7-91

Ervin L. Kessler -- 383-Can.
per wife -- 6-1989

W. H. Vanderlinden, Jr. -- 383-H
per wife -- 6-15-90

Carrol J. Calloway -- QM
per Sister -- 4-14-91

Fred G. Hale -- 728-AMT
per wife -- 4-20-84

Edwin O. List -- 383-1st BH 1978	L. G. Miller -- 381-L per son -- 5-31-86
Frank Peachey -- 362-FA 2-9-91	Will T. Rhodes -- 728-AMT per son
Wm. L. Stahl -- HQ. & HQ. per Ralph Mikelaiczak -- 3-13-91	Raymond F. Wolf -- Recon. per wife -- 5-16-87
John R. Henderson per wife -- 2-19-84	Charles E. Legg -- 728-AMT per wife -- 11-12-90
William H. Richards -- 921 FA per wife -- 4-19-91	William Figenbaum -- 383-AMT per John Nasser
Raymond Geisler -- 381-AT per Steve Melnyk	Theodore E. Johnson -- 381-M 1990
Donald Wetzberger -- 381-M per wife -- 5-25-91	Norman Weiner -- 381-H per Steve Melnyk
Raymond R. Shideler -- 381-H&H per wife -- 6-3-91	John D. Klocke -- 321 Eng. per Stuart A. Lindman
Everett N. Cruth per wife -- 5-28-91	Norman J. Poshusta -- 383-L per James Knight -- 12-17-90
James B. Dunlap -- 321 Eng. per wife -- 3-24-91	Vernon Ables -- 381-A per Samuel B. Watkins -- 9-30-87
Max Aiken per wife -- 4-4-91	Lewis Grill -- 381-A per Samuel B. Watkins -- 8-27-88
Art Swanson -- 381-A Per Samuel B. Watkins -- 1988	William Broschk -- 382-K per Jo Watts -- 7-13-91
Richard Downing -- 383-SVC per wife -- 4-14-91	Robert K. Edgette -- 381-E per wife -- 4-1982
K.W. (Bill) Koenecke -- 383-B per Matias J. Theobold -- 6-10-91	Patrick O'Gorman -- 381-3rd BH per John Obal -- 7-16-91
Arthur L. Swan -- 382 SVC per wife -- 7-15-91	Floyd Hullinger -- 381 SVC per newspaper -- 8-9-91
Joseph H. Bost -- 383-Can. per Don Emsweller -- 1989	Harry T. Duliban -- 383-Can. per Don Emsweller -- 1990
Lonnie Henderson -- 383-Can. per Don Emsweller -- 1989	Cyril Dean Sterner -- 382-2nd BH per Tyson Shelton -- 9-5-91
Arthur I. Blake -- Signal per wife -- 8-19-91	Arthur L. Tobergte -- 382-ANT per Steve Melnyk -- 7-29-91

John Winter -- 362 FA
per wife -- 9-18-91

Wilmer Gehrls -- 381-I
per Harold Williams -- 8-18-91

Kline Wartman -- 383-I
per Henry White -- 9-1991

Stephan Remlinger -- 382-3rd BH
per Ivan E. VanHouten -- 4-24-91

Donald E. Gunkle -- 381-1st BH
per Wm. Lombardi -- 9-1991

Harley Coy -- 363 FA
per wife -- 9-6-91

David Gill -- 382-3rd BH
per wife -- 10-13-91

Norris D. Fiedler -- 362-FA
per Post Office

Joseph Kelly -- 382-AT
per Russell J. Packard -- 9-18-91

Norman Watkins -- 382-H&H
per wife -- 7-29-91

Lewis LeMond -- 381-I
per wife -- 11-9-91

Wayne E. Small -- 383-Medics
per Post Office

Terrill C. Barnett -- 381-H
per son -- 10-21-88

James Owen -- 381-Can.
per Glenn Hamilton -- 9-13-91

Walter R. Tiedje -- H&H
per wife -- 6-14-91

Martin Dilger
per Post Office

Harry Rybarczyk -- 796 Ord.
per Ben Confer -- 5-13-91

Carmen Monda -- Band
per Ralph Cunnington

Robert L. Brazeal -- 361 FA
per Perry L. Coler -- 6-28-91

Roy McCormick -- 763 Th.
per Steve Melnyk -- 7-29-91-

Anthony J. Amante -- 382-B
per Milo Thompson

William S. Collins -- 382-G
per wife -- 7-1989

Raymond Schultz -- QM
per wife -- 10-3-91

Edwin Bunka -- 382-AT
per Steve Melnyk -- 10-1991

William J. Lucas -- 382-Medics
per William A. Dryer -- 9-13-91

Wilmer F. Horn -- 381-C
per Post Office

Irwin Burgess -- 383-L
per Post Office

William J. Fienzi -- 321 Medic
per wife -- July 1991

Viril L. Glaze -- 381-1st BH
per Post Office

Stanley J. Wachowski -- Recon.
about 1976

John C. Nasser -- 383-ANT
per Edward Dunning, Jr. -- 8-1-91

Bennie Martin -- 381-K
per Stanley Smith -- 8-22-91

Fairel Borchelt -- 382-2nd BH
per wife -- 9-12-91

Roma Peters -- 362-FA
1987

James A. Sutherland
per Post Office

Clancy Cross -- Signal
per Peter Pohl -- 11-14-91

Calvin Simmons -- Band
per Ralph Cunnington -- 1991

Sigmund F. Zielinski -- 321 Eng.
per Walter P. Gorell

Harold R. Barnacel -- 383-H
per John Cook -- 11-23-91

Jack Becker -- 381-I
per Fran Marlenga -- 11-18-91

Gene Tallman 383-C
per Wife -- 2-1992

Kenneth Andrea -- 381-Cannon
per Rosalie Hamilton -- 1-26-92

John Vaskes -- 382-E
per Mail

Frederick N. McKeever -- 382-L
per Mail -- 12-14-91

Fay Berglin -- 382-M
per Fred Weeks -- 2-21-92

Andrew Jacobson -- 382-K
per Iden Johnson -- 2-21-92

Elvin P. Schroeder -- 381-L
per Norma Bauer -- 2-21-92

Frederic W. First -- 382-H&H
per Norma Barth -- 3-5-92

Kenneth Lloyd -- 796 Ord.
Ben Confer -- 3-7-92

Arthur Zacher -- 382-Medics
per Wife -- 3-18-92

With respect and love, Goodbye

CYRIL DEAN STERNER

Sterner — Cyril "Dean," 74, 3053 Stratford Ave., died Thursday (9/5/91). Retired colonel, U.S. Army. Last post was deputy commander, Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Ala. Born York. Member, Calvary United Methodist Church, American Legion Post 3. Survivors: wife, Harriett; daughters, Michael Ann Gutter, Santa Clara, Calif., Jan Fishman, Webster Grove, Mo., Cindy Clardy, Terry Schultz, both Lincoln; sister, Celia Mitchell, Kennewick, Wash.; three granddaughters.

Services: 10 a.m. Monday, Calvary United Methodist Church, 1610 S. 11th St. The Rev. Jean T. Samuelson, Lincoln Memorial Park. Pallbearers: Orlo Chandler, Dean Cooper, Harold Devries, Kendall Schwab, Galen Sterner, Lawrence Villars. Graveside military rites by American Legion Post 3. In state Sunday, Roper & Sons Mortuary, 4300 O St. Memorials to church or Lydia Patterson Institute, c/o the family.



This picture was taken at the Nebraska State Fair, Lincoln, NE, in 1991.



Lt. Col. C. D. Sterner led the stouthearted men of the 2d Battalion 382d through the World War II campaigns on Leyte and Okinawa. Their exploits became legends.

Sterner continued in the thick of the action after the war by serving the Association in several offices. He moved up to president for the reunion in Ft. Worth, TX, in 1976.



My wife and I attended the reunion in Spokane and it was a ball. It was the first one that we had attended due to the fact that my work as an architect was always demanding of my time. However I have retired, sort of, and the old pressures are not with me today. My wife and I went on all the extra tours and availed ourselves of the side trip to the Canadian Rockies. We met with other Deadeyes and had one hell-ov-a good time. We have sent our dues for the coming year and look forward to seeing everyone in Louisville in July.

Alvin Hausman -- 381-F
144-31 72nd Drive.
Flushing, N.Y. 11367

I'm always looking forward to the next Deadeye Dispatch. I'm looking for names of fellows in 321st Medics Co. D. Hope to be at the reunion this time My dues are enclosed.

Wilbur L. Morrison
16040 Pine Drive
Tinley Park, Il. 60477

Enclosed is our check for dues for my wife and myself plus some extra for help in mailing, etc. We haven't made any reunions yet, but sure hope we will be able to make the one in Louisville in 1992. Keep up the good work. It is always good to see the Deadeye Dispatch with the 96th Division patch.

Roe Chatham Jr. -- 381-C
2348 W. Drowning Creek Rd.
Dacula, Ga. 30211

Enclosed is my check for two years dues as I may have failed to send my dues for last year. Old Timers sometimes forget.

Toney E. Underwood -- 383-HQ
32 Foskett St.
Somerville, Ma. 02144

Enclosed is my check for my dues. Do enjoy the Deadeye Dispatch. Keep it coming. Haven't made a reunion yet, but plan on 1993 in Sparks, Nv. Thanks much for your continual efforts.

Richard H. Wilde -- 381-H
3324 W. Bloomington Dr.
St. George, Ut. 84770

Back in October 1944, I was a war correspondent for the Boston Globe and No. American Newspaper Alliance (NANA). I made the Leyte Landing with the 96th Division. Just moved east in January from our home in Evanston and the Dispatch has caught up with me. Here is my check to cover two years dues. I don't know the outfit I went ashore with -- was down around San Jose near the General Bradley hqrs. I remember MacArthur coming around the third day to see Bradley and then chewed him out in front of the GI's. I've been back to Leyte about a dozen time, last in 1988. Next July I'll be a lecturer on the Ocean Pearl on a cruise beginning in Manila and winding up in Australia -- visiting Corregidor, Palau, New Guinea, Manus, Guadalcanal and the Solomons. Unfortunately the 27 day trip conflicts with your convention.

Martin Sheridan
P.O. Box 5 Gilman Rd.
Gilman, Ct. 06336

Enclosed are our dues. Sure enjoy reading the Deadeye Dispatch. Haven't been able to attend any reunions, but we hope to someday. Keep up the good work and God Bless all of you.

John Lentz -- Div. HDQR.
125 Westfield Ave.
Concord, N.C. 28027-6757

Enclosed are my dues. I served in the 382 Co. I. On Okinawa there were only three of left in our Squad -- the Sergeant, the Corporal and myself. The squad was broken up and another squad was formed to which I was assigned. I was wounded on the last day of organized resistance -- a bayonet wound in the left chest. I am really grateful for the care that I received at the field Aid Station and the Field Hospital.

Dale Cullen
3210 Santa Maria Wy. #115
Santa Maria, Ca. 93455

I have not heard from any of my friends in a long time. When I moved, I didn't send in my new address and I didn't get my Dispatch. I would like to hear from any of the fellows in the 381 1st BH.

Jack W. Riley
P.O. Box 701
Tenaha, Tx. 75974-0701

We regret to say, we couldn't make the last reunion. The last one we attended was in Omaha. Hope to see you all again soon. Here is our dues for this year. Keep up the good work on the Deadeye Dispatch. We certainly look forward for it.

Helmuth W. Voegel -- 381-B
112 N. Lloyd
Aberdeen, S.D. 57401

Here is my dues for the coming year. I am sorry that I could not make Spokane last summer, but my health prevented it. Keep the Dispatch coming as I enjoy it.

Nickolas Reiss -- 383-E
420 W. Third St.
Anoconda, Mt. 59711

My dues are enclosed. Had planned to get to the reunion in Spokane for the last day, but due to delay of planes en route I did not arrive until 10 P.M. when everything was about over. I did get two old buddies out of bed. We spent about half an hour catching up on each other, and I was glad I was able to at least see them. Plan to make it to Louisville next year, as that will be much closer to home.

Morris L. Yoder, Jr. -- 381-Medics
149 Decatur Rd.
Havertown, Pa. 19083

Enclosed is my check for dues for myself and for my wife. I am sorry I could not make the reunion in Spokane. I can assure you that we will attend the reunion in Louisville. I am proud and feel privileged that I am associated with the best outfit that saw action in the Pacific Theatre. God Bless everyone.

Sidney Breit -- 381-B
88-11 63rd Dr. Apt. 306
Rego Park, N. Y. 11374

Enclosed is my check for Association and Auxiliary dues plus a little extra. Hope to make the 1992 Kentucky reunion and looking forward to it. Enjoy reading the Dispatch, and always look for names from 381 Co. B -- don't see very many.

Ralph Andree
3346 Riverview NE
Grand Rapids, Mi. 49505

Enclosed are dues for myself and my wife for '92 plus small amount for postage or whatever. Nice to receive Deadeye Dispatch and like to hear that there is still some life in the old outfit.

M. I. Graham -- 385-Cannon
16801 Brauer Rd. N.E.
Poulsbo, Wa. 98370

Enclosed is a check for my back dues from 1987 and for a couple years in advance. I'm sorry I fell in arrears. I Just overlooked the fact why you send an envelope each year. I was waiting for a billing, I guess. I sure enjoy the Deadeye Dispatch and look forward to reading about the old unit. I've been to only one reunion (Oklahoma in 85). I'll have to get to the next one. It's good to see some of the old buddies again. Good Luck to you all and keep in touch.

Bill Frost -- 383-1st BH
1180 Second St.
Des Plaines, Il. 60016

Couldn't make the Spokane reunion, but would like to make the 1992 one. Have a June reunion in N.D. so don't know how the summer will work out. Would like to hear from some of the 382 Co F fellows. I worked in the kitchen. My dues are enclosed.

Fred S. Jones
3024 Salisbury Rd.
Jamestown, N.Y. 14701

The Beer Bust story reminded me of my part at Manus. I also spent a day on one of the islands. Ours was a work detail devoted to picking up beer cans. I don't recall obtaining any full one. Keep the Dispatch coming. Perhaps the enclosed will help with the cost.

Harold S. Shaffer -- 321 Eng.
3817 N. MacArthur Rd.
Decatur, Il. 62526

My young husband, Frank O. Varner, served with Company I 383 in World War II and was killed on Okinawa Island June 20, 1945. I am working on a history for the family and would appreciate hearing from anyone who knew Frank and would care to share their memories.

Barbara Varner Hauge
Box 173
Turner, Mt. 59542-0173

Enclosed find our dues. I have been a member of the Association since Chicago 1959. I attended several Conventions, but due to my activities with the Disabled American Veterans I had a conflict with the reunions. I miss my buddies from the 381 HQ and Service companies, and hope to be able to attend some more conventions in the future.

Fred A. Sutton
206 N. Brown Ave.
Terre Haute, In. 47803

Louisville, Ky. in 1992 sure looks good to me. I am really looking forward to seeing some of the gang from 381 3rd BH

Robert J. Richter
4779 Highridge Ave.
Cincinnati, Oh. 45238-4528

Enclosed is a check for membership dues plus a little extra. I plan to attend the next reunion in Louisville in 1992, and I'm looking forward to it.

Carl J. Pullen -- 382-F
30742 E. River Rd.
Perrysburg, Ohio 43551

Enclosed is my membership dues for the year, also some for last year as I believe I missed paying last year. I really enjoy getting the Deadeye. I hope to get to a reunion some day. I am retired now so have no excuse not to go.

Harold M. Alne -- 931 FA
220 Cataline
Vermillion, S.D. 57069

This is my first letter to the Deadeye Dispatch. I apologize for having ignored my obligations to keep up with my dues until now, and this money should make for quite a few years. Although the Dispatch is informative, I never seem to see any names that I recognize of my buddies that were in the 383 K company, and wonder how many of us are still alive. I do have an old company roster, but it doesn't have any up-to-date addresses. I would like to write to a few buddies occasionally. Having been wounded in the Leyte campaign, I left the island and didn't get to Okinawa.

William T. Peregrin
8517 E. Ravendale Rd.
San Gabriel, Ca. 91775-1121

My dues is enclosed. I always welcome the Deadeye Dispatch. I hope to attend the Louisville reunion. I was with Company A 383 from March 1944 until May 12, 1945, when I was wounded. I would enjoy hearing from anyone in my group or seeing them in Louisville.

Charles E. Slaughter
125 Maple Drive
Lebanon, In. 46052

Sorry to have missed paying dues but my wife had been badly injured and everything else slipped my mind. Enclosed is a check to pay the 1990, 1991 and 1992 dues for both my wife, Mary, and myself.

Arnold E. Klukas -- 381-M
187 Amherst St.
New Britain, Ct. 06053

I know that I have failed to pay dues as often as I should have. Enclosed is a check to be used as you see fit. I still receive the Deadeye Dispatch, and really enjoy reading it from cover to cover. I hope you will continue to send the Dispatch to me.

Earl Brown -- 921 FA
725 Mountain View Dr.
Midvale, Ut. 84047

I recognize many names in the Dispatch and have enjoyed receiving it through the years. Enclosed is a check for dues for Connie and myself plus a little extra for expenses. We may see you in Louisville, Ky. in July . Give my best to my old pals in the 362 FA.

Bob Boals
5444 Cresthaven Lane
Toledo, Oh. 43614

Enclosed is a check for the annual dues for my wife and myself. We find the Deadeye Dispatch an excellent way to hear of and locate many of the people with whom we served in the 96th. We were particularly interested in noting the names of two who were a part of the 362 FA, and who attended the reunion in Spokane. We could not make that affair, but will make every attempt to attend the reunion at Louisville in 1992. I'm sure all of the Deadeye Division personnel are grateful for efforts of the staff of the Association in keeping the memories alive.

Merrill S. Sancraint -- 362-FA
525 Grace Drive
Monroe, Mi. 48161

Enclosed is my check for three years. Haven't made any reunions yet, but hope to this year. I enjoy the Dispatch. I want to say "Hello" to all my buddies from the 381 Hq. & Hq. I was the barber they called "Gabby", and the personal radio operator for Col. Halloran and Lt. Col. Williams all thru both campaigns.

Joe "Gabby" Sciara
1936 Far View Rd.
Akron, Oh. 44312

Enclosed is our check for the association and dues for the Auxiliary plus a little extra. We both enjoy the Dispatch and read it from cover to cover.

George & Maxine Dey -- 361 FA
27119 Siuslaw River Rd.
Lorane, Or. 97451

Am enclosing membership for myself and Auxiliary dues for my wife. The balance is for whatever use you can find for it. Don't rule out the Louisville Reunion, but it is a lot further away than the last three reunions, so probably won't make it. Health is not so hot.

Paul Westman -- 382-K
Box 185
Hudson, Wy. 82515

Enclosed is a check for dues for 1992. I hope to make the reunion in Louisville this year. It will be the first one, and if later reunions are close enough (east of Mississippi) I hope to attend them too. I appreciate getting the Dispatch and am looking forward to finally meet some old buddies.

Joseph Weiss -- 381-3rd BH
321 Oakford St.
W. Hempstead, N.Y. 11552

It's been a great 47 years for buddies Lee, Tony, Bud and John. Friendship thru the years in the way of hunting, fishing, bull-sessions and mini reunions. All were members of the Div. H. & Hq. Co. Lee Johnson was the first and only driver for General Bradley. Tony Posl was the assigned driver for General Easley. He was with the General on that fatal day. Bud McFall was a General Staff Driver and on special occasions still drives a Greyhound Tour Bus. We have our tickets for Louisville, Ky.
SEE YOU THERE !!!

John P. Hecimovich
4717 W. 99th St.
Minneapolis, Mn. 55437

I am interested in hearing from anyone who knew my father Willard I. Bjorge who served in 382 Company F.

William Bjorge
P. O. Box 26
Caledonia, Mn. 55921

Here is my check for my dues and a bit extra. I enjoy the Dispatch and look forward to getting it. Best wishes to all the 96th.

Wayne "Snuffy" Smith -- 382-C
709 E. Franklin
Paxton, Il. 60957

Enclosed is our personal check to cover our membership dues for the year 1992-93. We were sorry to have missed the reunion in Spokane. I has surgery and was unable to drive out. We are looking forward to attending this year in Louisville, Ky.

Mercer H. Carey -- 383-F
Box 623
East Jordon, Mi. 49727

Regards to all the Deadeyes. In spite of age 83, diabetes, two attacks of congesture heart failure and other ailments, I am still alive but unable to travel to be with you at your reunion. I am proud of your accomplishments and grateful to have been a member of the Gallant 1st Bn. 381. Good Luck to all of you.

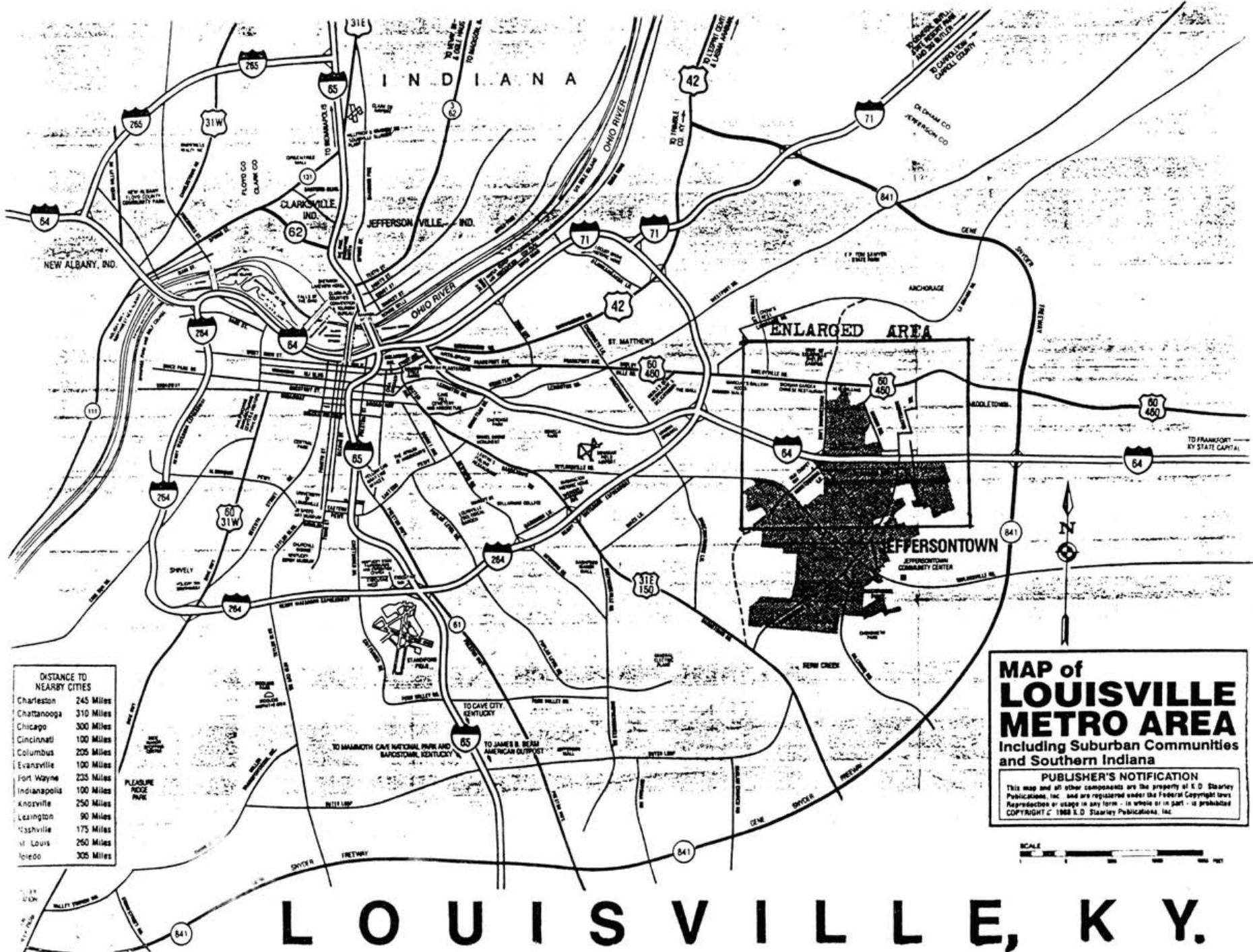
John G. Cassidy, Maj. Gen. Ret.
425 Monmouth Ave.
Springlake, N.J. 07762

Enclosed find fees for dues for myself and my wife plus a little extra. Through the effort to print what communication you can, I have since found an ex-platoon leader plus several buddies that I had thought had been lost in engagements. We are now in touch with each other again, and it is a great experience to be able to be informed of whereabouts of past comrades. Keep up the good work. Hope we can all make Kentucky.

Charlie Clawson -- 381-A
2003 Woodruff
Bethany, Mo. 64424

Enclosed is my check for dues for myself and my wife plus a little extra.

Glen A. Mitchell -- 382-B
Box 220
Bridgeport, Ne. 69336



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Charleston	245 Miles
Chattanooga	310 Miles
Chicago	300 Miles
Cincinnati	100 Miles
Columbus	205 Miles
Evanville	100 Miles
Fort Wayne	235 Miles
Indianapolis	100 Miles
Knoxville	250 Miles
Lexington	90 Miles
Nashville	175 Miles
St. Louis	260 Miles
Toledo	305 Miles

MAP of LOUISVILLE METRO AREA
 Including Suburban Communities and Southern Indiana

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