

Medal and the Combat Infantry Badge. He served in Korea a total of 24 months, from 27 February 1952 to 25 February 1954.

In August 1992, upon confirmation that no official records existed in US Army files concerning his recommendation for the Silver Star, he was presented a "certificate" signed by Secretary of the Army Stone commending his combat service in the Korean War.

Forwarded by Martin Markley

*Poem for Sgt Clyde Delton Blount,
19th Inf Rgt KIA*

Two Pictures On The Mantle

In Goodness He Lived, In Love He Died.

His Life Was Craved, But God Denied.

Rest In Peace My Son, For Soon We Will Be Coming Home.

Two Darling Pictures On The Mantle, We Took Of Him As A Child.

They Stand There As Two Lonely Darlings , Adding Tears To Our Smiles.

He Would Have Been Home By Springtime, But God Called Him Home To The Fold.

Two Darling Pictures On The Mantle, Worth More Than A World Full Of Gold.

Two Darling Pictures On The Mantle, Each Line On His Face Has A Story To Tell.

Of A Boy Who Gave His Life For His Family, And His Country As Well.

His Darling Face Is Dear To Remember, A Treasure To Behold.

Two Darling Pictures On The Mantle, Worth More Than A World Full Of Gold.

Sergeant Clyde Delton Blount
Our Beloved Son Was Killed In Action
June 2, 1951 In North Korea At The Age
Of Nineteen
Poem Written By His Mother Elva Etta
Blount

Why the American flag is folded 13 times

Author Unknown

Have you ever wondered why the flag of the United States of America is folded 13 times when it is lowered or when it is folded and handed to the widow at the burial of a veteran? Here is the meaning of each of those folds and what it means to you.

★ The 'first fold' of our flag is a symbol of life.

★ The 'second fold' is a symbol of our belief in eternal life.

★ The 'third fold' is made in honor and remembrance of the veterans departing our ranks who gave a portion of their lives for the defense of our country to attain peace throughout the world.

★ The 'fourth fold' represents our weaker nature, for as American citizens trusting in God, it is to Him we turn in times of peace as well as in time of war for His divine guidance.

★ The 'fifth fold' is a tribute to our country, for in the words of Stephen Decatur, "Our Country, in dealing with other countries may she always be right; but it is still our country, right or wrong."

★ The 'sixth fold' is for where our hearts lie. It is with our heart that we pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States Of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all.

★ The 'seventh fold' is a tribute to our Armed Forces, for it is through the Armed Forces that we protect our country and our flag against all her enemies, whether they be found within or without the boundaries of our republic.

★ The 'eighth fold' is a tribute to the one who entered into the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day, and to honor mother, for whom it flies on Mother's Day.

★ The 'ninth fold' is a tribute to womanhood; for it has been through their faith, their love, loyalty and devotion that the character of the men and women who have made this country great has been molded.

★ The 'tenth fold' is a tribute to the father, for he, too, has given his sons and daughters for the defense of our country since they were first born.

★ The 'eleventh fold', in the eyes of a Hebrew citizen represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon, and glorifies in their eyes, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

★ The 'twelfth fold', in the eyes of a Christian citizen, represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies, in their eyes, God the Father, the Son, and Holy Spirit.

When the flag is completely folded, the stars are uppermost reminding us of our nation's motto, "In God We Trust".

After the flag is completely folded and tucked in, it takes on the appearance of a cocked hat, ever reminding us of the soldiers who served under General George Washington, and the sailors and marines who served under Captain John Paul Jones, who were followed by their comrades and shipmates in the Armed Forces of the United States, preserving for us the rights, privileges, and freedoms we enjoy today.

The next time you see a flag ceremony honoring someone that has served our country, either in the Armed Forces or in our civilian services such as the Police Force or Fire Department, keep in mind all the important reasons behind each and every movement. They have paid the ultimate sacrifice for all of us by honoring our flag and our Country.

Submitted by Carl & Leatha Duncan



Looking for...

Hello,

My father served with the 3rd Division on the 3rd Bn. of the 65th Infantry Regiment in M Company from 1951-1953 as a Corporal. His name is Ramiro Rivera Martinez. He is still alive (73) and well. He was one of the few that knew English fairly well and after 6 months as a machine gun infantryman, served as an interpreter between the officials and other members of the company. He doesn't talk much about the war and after these many years doesn't remember a lot of names from the top of his head, but if anybody remembers him please send me an e-mail to the address provided here and I will make sure he gets it. I would really like to know if the 2 other soldiers that served with him on the 3-men machine gun team are still alive and remember him.

Best Regards and God Bless. Thank you for everything you did for us. We are extremely proud.

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Sir:

I served with the 3/64th armor in Schweinfurt, Ger 1971-72. I have been trying to find some history about this battalion for quite some time. Can you make suggestions?

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My dad served as combat engineer. North Africa, Sicily, Anzio, France, Belgium, Austria, and Rome. Searching for more info, unit, regiment, citations. His name was Matthew Diabo, "HEY CHIEF," a Mohawk Indian.

Donald Diabo
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Private Matthew Diabo is listed on page 551 of Donald Taggart's book, The History of the Third Infantry Division in W.W.II as a member of the 10th Engineer Combat Battalion.

As a combat battalion in W.W.II, the

unit engaged in infantry fighting with distinction at several periods-notably during certain periods on Anzio Beachhead. Their primary work of laying wire and mines, however was more hazardous since the men had to go ahead of the infantry front lines. The 10th Engineer Battalion's most widely publicized single feat in W.W.II was the construction of the bridge at Cape Calava on the North coast of Sicily.

Inf. By Martin Markley.

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I run a small website, WWW.L-17.ORG that seeks to preserve the history of the L-17 Navion aircraft used by the 8th Army, Light Aviation Section.



I would be very interested in hearing from any Veterans that flew the L-17. Thanks, Bill

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Mar. 1952 to Mar 1953 -Medical Company 15th Inf. 3rd Div. looking for Woods, Hall, Dees, Butler, Spievy, or anyone in unit in that time frame.

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My brother John J. McLaughlin served all through Africa, Anzio Beachhead, Sicily, Southern France, finally ended up in Berchtesgaten on May 6th 1945 there at Hitler's and Goering's 'Eagles Nest'. He was in the 3rd Div. 41st FA. We are looking for anyone that might have been there with John on May 6th, 1945, at Hitler or Goering's house. It was dark, about 10 PM when he left and was discharged.

If anyone knows any information, or questions please send to either John McLaughlin, 260 Pastoria Ave., Sunnyvale, CA. 94086 or Art McLaughlin, 1212 Chianti Dr., Lodi, CA. 95240.

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Can anyone out there tell me where I might find John J. Mc Dougall? He and my dad Lee J. Normand served in Co. K, 15th Inf. Regt. On April 19th 1945 at 1700 hrs, together they advanced ahead of their Co. on an enemy held house in

Nurnberg, Germany. Crawling 200 yards under intense machine gun, mortar and rifle fire, they hurled grenades through the windows, then charged with bayonets fixed, to kill three enemy, wound two and capture two, silencing a machine gun and allowing their company to advance to it's objective.

They were each awarded the Silver Star for their heroism. Later that evening dad was wounded by a rifle shot. Should anyone know of Mr. John J. McDougall or his family, please contact me at the above address.

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Ready for War

Retired General Frederick Kroesen, (a former Rutgers ROTC classmate), authored a recent article in the Army Times and quoted in the Winter 2002 Cottonbaler. It included the following paragraph:

"The American soldier is second to none in his ability to cope with the demands of any crisis. But have we taught them that war is a dirty, ruthless endeavor that requires each individual who finds himself in the combat zone be prepared to take lives, establish control and accomplish the mission even at the cost of his own life? We hope that his first thoughts when he meets the enemy will not be of "consideration of others," tolerance and diversity training, but rather the hair bristling of the hunter

spotting his quarry. We hope he realizes that his enemy's intent is his destruction, that the enemy's indoctrination and training are designed to produce a fanatical determination to destroy him."

It's a message I had heard 58 years before, but in much more earthy tones. It was my first night on the Anzio Beachhead in Italy in February 1944. I was one of a group of 21 Infantry 2nd Lieutenants reporting for duty with the 7th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division. We were given our company assignments by the adjutant, Captain Richard Young, and were then addressed briefly by the Regimental Commander, Colonel Harry B. Sherman. We were in a small barn attached to an Italian farmhouse. The windows were blacked out

with army blankets and the barn was dimly lit by the light of a hissing

Coleman gasoline lantern, which cast ominous shadows on the floor and walls. The Colonel said, "You're going up as replacements to the best damn Regiment in the United States Army. You'll be expected to live up to the traditions of that Regiment and that Division. You're going to suffer. You came here to suffer. You're going to suffer in everything the Boche can throw at you and you're going to take it like men. Listen to what the men up there tell you about how to kill Germans. You're new but as far as we're concerned, you're every bit as good a man, each one of you, as the best men in this Division - until or unless you show us otherwise."

After four years of ROTC, three months of OCS, and several months of stateside training, it all came together and I suddenly understood why I was there, what I was to do, and how I was to do it.

Russ Cloer, WWII Cpt., 7th Infantry, 3rd Division

Korean Hills

The rugged battle field in Korea, contained many hills with well known names.

Deadly fighting took place on their slopes, but sometimes all in vain.

Jackson Heights was such a place, where a lot of blood was spilled. The end result was many deaths, and the enemy controlling the hill.

Outpost Tom and Outpost Dick, were places of much lesser fame. Yet, there too men suffered and died, When shells came down like rain.

Outpost Harry was a critical hill, one to be held at all costs. And so men went to their maker, To insure it would not be lost.

History books on the Korean War, will have a paragraph that tells. About the men who defended Outpost Harry, and how they defended it well.

*Donald A. Chase
15th Infantry, 3rd Division*

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**3rd Division History
4th Infantry Section
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On the morning of July 23rd the First Battalion resumed its advance toward LE CHAPMEL. The Sixth Brigade (part of the 3rd Division) on our right was meeting strong resistance in the neighborhood of LES FRANQUETS FARM and they requested our assistance. The First Battalion then moved towards this point and made an attack on a strong enemy position. The fire from this position was so strong and the battalion suffered such heavy casualties that it was unable to advance farther and was withdrawn a short distance where it remained under cover of woods and entrenched under an intense bombardment.

The ranks were thinning out rapidly and when an attack was to be made two battalions were put together to make a good size attacking party.

The next day (July 24th) after the above history at day break we were told that a charge had to be made and I was assigned to Company 'A' as some of the men had become shell shocked, gassed and wounded. There were only a few left and the two officers remarked that the charge had to be made and they felt like the rest of us, tired and weary, and hoped that we would all come out safe. We wouldn't all come out and all didn't come out. We were to go through LE CHARMEL and take the edge of the woods on the other end of town.

The two officers were themselves wounded going through a woods to the place of our jump off; we had to run to be on time for the attack. I was the very last man. In front of me was a Private Arnold of Company 'A' a litter bearer, the worst they could pick out. The companies always sent their worst soldiers to us for litter bearers and kept the good ones for themselves for which we could not blame them.

Passing an ammunition dump, I being the last man, grabbed a box of hand grenades that was handed to me and carried them forward. I didn't have to take them if I didn't want to as I am a Medical man. We had not gone far into the open-

ing that was the starting of the charge when we were subject to direct fire. Men were being killed and wounded all around us. It was here the officers were hit. The men took to the ground for safety sake but the charge was being held up and we must go forward. There we were being shelled with one pounders, three inch shells and machine guns. One shell took a head off of one of the soldiers and the concussion killed two others as they sat behind a pile of wood and this not far from where I was lying on the ground. This was getting too warm for me lying there so jumping up and grabbing the grenades, I turned to the men and yelled "COME ON, LET'S GET OUT OF THIS". That was all they needed. Let me put in here my letter to my folks telling them about it.

Jack's note: Generally when troops are under direct heavy fire in the open and the officers or others in command are dead or disabled, troops will wait until someone, anyone, takes control and gives orders. To remain lying on open ground under those conditions would surely mean the death of most everyone. To stand up and take command took uncommon courage. For his bravery Sgt. Webster received his first Silver Star Medal.

*Somewhere in France
4 August 1918*

My Dear Mother and Father,

Of all the letters that has been sent home, this to my mind will be the greatest of all, more pleasing to you, and maybe nothing more than what you expected of your son. It will pass the censor, for under another envelope that is going with this letter is an official paper that was sent from the Divisional Headquarters to me. You will notice a Major Smyth mentioned on the official paper and he is all that the paper says of him and it was my pleasure to be near him because of his coolness, daring and good soldiering he was cited. Dad there is one thing to remember that what was done by me has been done by other men; then again if the men weren't all good soldiers they wouldn't have come on when I called. Let me tell the story.

We were following closely upon the heels of the Hun (so I won't bore the reader I will leave out the part that I have already spoken about, that is crawling out into the wheat field for Lieut. Bell, so I will go on with the

MEMOIRS OF WORLD WAR I

by

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May 9, 1917 to August 29, 1919

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rest of it), I thought the boys would need the ammunition so I carried on. The men had flopped on the ground. Whatever possessed me at this time is beyond my power to tell but jumping up I yelled for the boys to "COME ON" and they followed me. On my left I noticed a Lieutenant staggering and leading his men so I worked my way to him while I was leading the men. He was partly gassed, therefore it was my lot to carry him. My hands were full between carrying the grenades, the Lieutenant and urging the men on. We got to where we were supposed to go and after more men came up with officers, I was made a runner to report to the Major of our destination. I delivered the message going back under machine gun fire. All this was done under heavy firing. It was everything Sherman said about war.

Resting in our camp, the thought of that affair makes me wipe my forehead, unable to account for whatever prompted me to take charge. Fortunately the opportunity was presented to me and I made the best of it.

Your Obedient Son

The Lieutenant I was carrying I left him in the first house I came to in LE CHAPMEL and kept going after the men until we came to the last house in the town and here we stopped. Only about a hand full of men, the rest got stranded, wounded or gassed. We kept up a fire on the Germans. I told the men in the house that they would have to show me how to operate the grenades in case the Germans would attack us. They all looked at me in a surprise manner AS THEY THOUGHT THAT I HAD FIRST AID DRESSING IN THE BOX. I had taken a 100 to 1 shot coming through that barrage carrying the box of hand grenades, one grenade does enough damage when it explodes and I was carrying fifty in a box. If a small particle of shell had penetrated the box, they wouldn't have to bury me for I would have been blown into a thousand pieces but I suppose some one's good prayers saved me and my Guardian Angel was hovering near me.

Jack's Note: The World War I hand grenades were smaller and lighter than those used in the Second World War, the Korean War, Viet Nam, etc.

The Lieut. that I was partly carrying had managed to get to the house that we were in, he wouldn't stay where I put him. He was full of gas and as soon as he came

into the house he collapsed on the floor. His name was 2nd Lieut. Philip A. Payne of Headquarters Company, Seventh Infantry. I met him later in Germany.

When I got back to Major Roy Smyth with the message I found him in a dejected mood as his charges had failed, not his Battalion's fault as the following history will relate:

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Orders were received on the 26th for the Second and Third Battalions to hold LE CHARMEL while the First Battalion (Sgt. Webster was in the First Battalion) supported by an Artillery barrage and guiding on French troops on the left and the 7th Infantry on the right, passed through the town to attack in the direction of LA FOSSE FARM. At 4 o'clock the Artillery laid down a barrage Northeast of LE CHARMEL which lifted at 4:30 PM (half an hour barrage), the hour of the attack. The First Battalion entering LE Charmel was met by a very heavy German counter barrage, but never the less continued to advance. However the guiding element of the movement, the French troops on the left were unable to advance which left our flank in the air and exposed to heavy enfilading machine gun fire. Consequently our advance was held up and at 11:00 PM the First Battalion was ordered back to its position in reserve in the FORET DE PERE.

The reader will agree with me when I say it was not the major's fault. I heard him say in an angry tone during one of his trying moments at this time AGive me eleven good men and I'll lick the whole German Army.

When we went into reserve it meant that we were to follow the other two battalions, Second and the Third. It was a wonder to me why it wasn't done sooner for our Battalion was doing the bulk of the work since we crossed the MARNE. I don't mean by this that the other two battalions were lying idle, they were shot up badly too but not as bad as us.

The Second and third Battalions took up the charge and we (First Battalion) didn't do much fighting only keeping from getting hit with a shell. We followed in the wake of the two battalions and got

as far as RONCHEVES.

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At 6:50 AM the following morning, July 29, the Second Battalion resumed its attack and in spite of heavy machine gun fire from the BOIS DE GRIMPETTES and The BOIS DE MENNIER succeeded in pushing patrols to within two hundred yards of BOIS DE GRIMPETTES. The French on our right however again failed to advance and the 110th Infantry, (28th Division) on our left withdrew its line slightly, consequently this battalion with both flanks in the air had to remain in this position exposed to machine gun fire and under constant shelling throughout the day. There was a grim determination however to storm those woods the following morning and capture whatever the cost, this however, was not to be (The First Battalion at this time was in RONCHERES not a square away).

Relief! Not an unwelcome word, although each man was willing and eager, if necessary, as long as the breath of life was left in him, to continue pursuing the fleeing Boche. But the higher command evidently thought the Fourth Infantry and Third Division had done their part. Accordingly the regiment was relieved at RONCHERES at midnight, July 29, by the 127th Infantry U.S., and immediately marched to the rear.

When the 4th Infantry was relieved, there were left only a hand full; a dirty, liced, weary but not sad bunch of men, by the 32 Division, we were a pitiful sight. It was a long trying ordeal for a bunch of green soldiers. You must remember that the greater part of the regiment was like myself, came into the army after the war had been declared, a few had served on the Mexican border, they all served their country well and wrote immortal fame for themselves. They had been under shell fire from June 12th until July 28th, eating and sleeping, in rain and sunshine, in every place imaginable, cellars, dugouts, fox holes and what not. Some, or the majority did not wash themselves or change their clothing all that time and had cooties (lice) galore.

I was be whiskered, dirty, pale, drawn and weary to say nothing of that renown

friend of mine that liked me so well that at time he wouldn't let me sleep, and that was our friend, the cootie. I didn't have one, I had a thousand. The boys read their shirts every morning to see who had the most. I stopped counting mine. When I came out my clothes were mostly torn. I looked like a Hobo.

Letter to my folks at home, extract:

Over Here
4 August 1918

I didn't have a bath for over a month and did not take my shoes off but once in that time. Such is the way of this war but now I am resting my nerves, mind and body, for a period of time then I suppose we will be back into the fray again. I have had my initiation of machine gun, rifle and shell fire and I believe there is nothing on earth that will make men pray quicker than a few shells bursting near them. I had them burst as near to me as I care to have them. I never thought that I could stand up under what I have and not lose my head. I have seen a good number of men go under, men you would think could stand it. Some of these men would bawl the soldiers out and curse a blue streak but they couldn't stand the gaff so they went back shell shocked. Another thing has been brought to my mind and that is this so called "old soldier stuff". When I came to the 4th Infantry, I, with other fellows were stuffed with tales about what they did down on the Mexican border, but when they got over here, well you can surmise, they don't talk about the "Border" any more as they have shown just about what they can do. I heard a Captain tell two "old soldiers" that they had more "yellow" in them than the yellow pup. But thank goodness there is not many of them as most of the boys are good fighters and don't believe in giving ground. There has been a thousand daring stunts pulled off that will never be heard of unless told by the boys themselves. I suppose the folks at home are happy at the success of the American troops and I would love dearly to tell you just what has taken place but it can't be done. Just remember that it is great to be an American.

Your Obedient Son

Coming out of the MARNE we ran amuck a lot of gas. We finally reached MONT ST. PERE which was now all

cleaned up, the streets free of bricks, falling buildings, etc. You would not think it was the same deserted town that we passed through, fighting our way ten days previous. We, the 4th Infantry, crossed back over the MARNE RIVER with our band playing which livened us up a bit but only when the band played. You could easily see the difference between those coming out and those going in. We loaded on a truck and were hauled to our delousing station at MEZY where we got a BATH and NEW CLOTHING that was free of COOTIES, perhaps, for we no sooner got the new clothes on when we felt that crawling sensation over our bodies. We then went back to our well earned rest.

As I have said before I ate when and where I could as this incident will show. As we were following the other two battalions, before going into RONCHERES we halted at LE FOSSE FARM and while there part of the 8th Machine Gun Battalion (3rd Division) was also there and they were being fed GOOD OLD HOT SLUM and I didn't know when the 4th Infantry was going to feed us so I made up my mind to get some of that Slum so I lined up with the 8th Machine Gun men. As I got to the can from which they were taking the slum the Mess Sergeant of that outfit who was dishing it out looked at me with daggers and said, AWhat the hell you doing in that line, you don't belong to this outfit. I was stumped but looking him in the eye, while true more of a bluff I answered him ANo, I don't belong to this outfit, in fact in this war I don't belong to any outfit as I am a Medical man and when I see a wounded man I don't stop to ask him what outfit he belongs too but I dress him quickly as possible just like I did to a sergeant who was wounded during the big barrage. That was enough for he said to me "Put your mess kit here, you can have all you want" and he filled up my mess kit. When I rejoined my own battalion in a barn on the FARM they seeing the hot slum cried "Where in the hell did you get that". I just smiled and said "Oh, I know the mess sergeant" and I enjoyed that better than any meal I ever had. We were relieved that same day and our own regiment fed us that night hot slum.

Jack's Note: I have no idea what Slum is

but it certainly doesn't sound very good unless you are really hungry. I speculate that it may have been some type of stew which is easier to make in quantity under battle field conditions.

From my letters to the folks at home dated August 13 and 25, 1918 (Extract)

Resting
Somewhere in France

Your letter of July 15 was received today August 13. The day you wrote the letter will be a day of remembrance for those of the 3rd Division. Yesterday we received a letter of gratification from our General for the way we withstood the attack, the great barrage, then pushing them back. You can imagine how great were the efforts of the boys that your son is so fortunately associated with. They are a credit to the good old U.S.A.

The folks at home must be very happy when they read of our great success and the recent success of the British. If the Allies can stop the Hun from settling in it will be for the best. With no telling just where he will stop as they got them on the jump and intend to keep them that way. You have got to hand it to the French and British for their great fighting after four years of fighting of this war, especially the French. We have yet to hear a Frenchman or Frenchwoman complain, they have a stout heart and it will take more than Germany to break it.

You can never can tell who is who until they go through a little excitement up front. We of the 3rd Division have been under shell fire for nearly two months and in the last two weeks we spent two years.

Sunday, one of the prettiest days that you would ever care to have. I took a walk out of the village where we are billeted in the barns today. Stood on a hill and what a pretty sight to behold. Wheat stacks as far as you could see. Wheat that the Germans thought they would have at home this time but have another wish coming to them.

How does all the good news about the Allies strike you? I would love dearly to step off the boat when the American people read about the great push that is still progressing.

We were a disabled bunch in numbers when relieved but some of those that went to the hospital are now returning. You can see the difference between those COMING OUT and those GOING IN (to the front lines). The COMING OUT ones have drawn faces, whiskered, weary and tired but happy, while

those GOING UP are singing, wearing Campaign hats (soft felt), large packs on their backs, etc. but when they get up where they are flying thick and fast they lose their big packs and personals and get down to nothing but one blanket, a raincoat, a mess kit and ammunition, that's all. They soon learn to wear their helmets (IRON HAT).

As time goes on and we move from one place to another we see this country, that is, the rural districts. From a tourist's view this country is very pretty. Where we were when I wrote my last letter, you could stand on one of the hills and look around you for miles and see villages at the bottom. The country is an ideal place for war with its numerous woods and hills as there is one hill after another. You can bet we are all glad that the war is "Over Here" instead of "Over There" as they have hard times. We cannot "savvy" their mode of living. If any one ever says the "Old Country" to me I will tell them "It is an old country", besides being antiquated.

Your Obedient Son

The above letters were written in August after we came out of the BATTLE OF THE MARNE but they express the thoughts of most of the men at that time and that is what the historian said of us.

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The men had undergone a change which was hard to explain. While they had lost much in snap and precision during June and July, they gained dash and determination and a sense of superiority over the enemy. They no longer regard him as a serious adversary, but begin to think it was simply a matter of time before our blows, such as the Marne (battle), would overcome him. Again, the experience of this battle had taught us that the old trench warfare methods would be abandoned from now on as we had the Boche on the run and that we could return to the methods of open warfare, dearer by far, to American hearts.

To finish up the MARNE I believe it is fitting to place here the words of prominent men, those who should know what they have to say regarding our activities around CHATEAU-THIERRY.

General John J. Pershing Report to

The Secretary of War The Honorable Mr. Baker (Extract)

The 3rd Division was holding the bank of the Marne from the bend east of the mouth of the SURMELIN to the west of MEZY, opposite CHATEAU-THIERRY, where a large force of German infantry sought to force a passage under support of powerful artillery concentrations and under cover of smoke screens. A single regiment of the 3rd Division wrote one of the most brilliant pages in our military annals on this occasion (this was the 38th infantry). It prevented the crossing at certain points on its front while, on either flank the Germans, who had gained foot hold, pressed forward. Our men, firing in three directions met the German attack with counter-attacks at critical points and succeeded in throwing two German Divisions into complete confusion, capturing 600 prisoners.

Marshall Foch's Address to The American Legion Kansas City (Extract) November 1, 1921

It was the spirit of the 3rd American Army Division which took part in the BATTLE OF THE MARNE and distinguished themselves immediately in the operations around CHATEAU-THIERRY.

A little article appeared in the *Public Ledger*, Tuesday morning, August 19, 1924 from Paris through their special representative, Mr. Raymond G. Carroll.

Jack's Note: The Public Ledger was a Philadelphia newspaper that is no longer published).

The general impression in the United States has been that the Marines were rushed to fill a gap in the line at CHATEAU-THIERRY and saved PARIS in May-June 1918. The facts are that the marines did not fight in CHATEAU-THIERRY. The Second Division in which there were two regiments of marines, as well as two regiments of the regular army infantry (the Ninth and Twenty Third) was put in on June 1 behind a French Division four miles west of CHATEAU-THIERRY. On June 4 the French Division retired through the line of the Second Division, which in making a subsequent local advance took the town of VAUX and BELLEAU WOOD.

The first American unit to arrive in the

MARNE Sector and which DID fight at CHATEAU-THIERRY was the Second Machine Gun Battalion of the 3rd Division, which making a record run overland from CHAUMONT, a distance of 116 miles beat its own divisions by rail, and on the evening of May 31 from the south side of the MARNE, in the town of CHATEAU-THIERRY, with the French prevented the Germans from crossing the MARNE RIVER. The next morning the Fourth Infantry regiment of the same division arrived there and relieved the French.

This much of history is necessary to explain the erection of a double shaft monument of the Third Division. It should finally silence the oft heard comment, "I saw no monument for the Marines at Chateau-Thierry"

The Stars & Stripes (the official newspaper of the A.E.F.) had this to say:

3rd MEETS SHOCK SOUTH
OF MARNE. CROSSES IN TURN

Every foot of way contested in 15 kilometer gain. Incessant fighting and maneuvering between infantry and machine gun detachments in broken, obscure country in its two last weeks of battle the 3rd Division had decisively defeated a German offensive and then advanced approximately 15 kilometers (8 miles) through a terribly difficult country, fighting every foot of the way and when it retired from action its losses according to the first tabulated reports had a high amount. This was probably considerably increased later by other casualties

The reason I have quoted the above men and periodical is because there has always been a discussion as to who fought at CHATEAU-THIERRY, and I believe that any division that was in a radius of 15 miles of this town claimed that they fought there. CHATEAU-THIERRY, in the World's War is what Gettysburg is to the Civil War and that is a whole lot. So you can imagine that those of the 3rd Division that fought there and are still living are mighty proud of that honor which nothing under the sun can take from them and THAT'S THAT!

...to be continued in future issues of the *Watch*

In Support...

To the Soldiers of the 3rd Infantry Division and their Families

I would like to take this opportunity to tell you how PROUD I am of you. As the son of a WW II 3rd Division veteran and a veteran myself. Your dedication and service to our country upholds the finest traditions of the U. S. Military. You volunteered to defend our country and its' principals and for this you are to be *commended*. If it were possible I would be honored to shake the hand of each and every one of you.

You are the heirs to and upholders of the honor of one of the finest, Infantry Divisions ever to serve our country, The Rock of the Marne. Your deployed 3ID training has been the best that our country could provide but without your spirit and pride it would be meaningless.

I know that your recent deployment has caused many hardships; no one willingly leaves their family. I hope that the knowledge that when America needs its' best it sends its' best will temper the sorrow that you must be feeling on this separation. You must remember that you are *never alone*. It's not just those who deployed with you and your families, I and many like me will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

It is my most heartfelt wish that you *all* return safely to your homes and families and that the menace to the Freedom and Security of the People of the World will be eliminated. No one desires conflict and as one of our leaders once stated "No one abhors war more than the soldier". It provides a measure of comfort, however, to know that as long as there is "evil" in the world that there are people such as yourselves who are dedicated to providing Peace and Security.

I can think of no higher tribute to pay you than the motto of the 30th Regiment of the 3rd in WW II: "Our country....not ourselves".

GOD BLESS YOU AND GOD BLESS AMERICA,

Mike Wells

Application For Membership

in the 15TH INFANTRY REGIMENT ASSOCIATION

- New Member
 Renew Membership

Today's date _____

NAME: _____
(Last) First (MI)

Street Address: _____

City-State-Zip: _____

Phone-: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Rank: _____ 15th Unit served _____ Dates Served: _____

Service Number: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Spouse Name: _____

Type of Membership Desired

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regular Annual \$10.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Associate Annual \$10.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> On Active Duty Annual \$5.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> MOH (No Charge) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> China Hand (No Charge) | <input type="checkbox"/> Life (see dues rates below) |

Life memberships are based on your age on last birthday:

Up to Age 60 = \$150.00; Age 60-69 = \$120.00; Age 70-79 = \$100.00;
Age 80 and over = \$50.00

Make check payable to "15th Infantry Regiment Association" and mail to either of the following: John T. Burke, 5704 Hastings Sq, Columbus, GA 31909-4737 (706) 563-8909 or Lloyd D. Whitmer, 7500 Mose Road, Navarre, OH 44662-9256 (330) 756-2803

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The Seventh Infantry Regiment Association 162 Westhaven Court Melbourne, Florida 32934-8024

Type: New Life Renewal Change of Address

Full Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Unit of 7th Infantry _____ Period of Service with 7th _____

WWII Korea Vietnam Gulf War Peacetime Active
Highest Grade Achieved in Military Service _____

2002-03 Dues -\$20.00 Life Membership Scholarship Donation
(Life membership fees: Over age 70: \$100.00; 60-70: \$120.00; Up to age 60: \$150.00 Active Duty E-8 thru 0-3: \$100.00; Active Duty E-7 and below: \$75.00)

Make check payable to "7th Infantry Regiment Association." Dues and fees include subscription to The Cottonbaler.

Signature _____ Date _____

Staus Report

10th Eng. Bn

Comments: In my spare time (don't have a lot), I have been slowly researching the history of the 10th Engineer Battalion. I was recently assigned to the battalion in June 2002 and have found little of the historical memorabilia that you usually find in a battalion.

As I read the comments of old soldiers that went before me... thought maybe they would like to know that the Sky Bridge battalion, named for the bridge they hung in the sky in Sicily during WW II, is still in action... supporting the Marne Division, now out of Fort Stewart, Georgia.

We are currently deployed to Kuwait... on the front lines of freedom, just a short ride from the Iraqi border. Suffice it to say that if politics result in the balloon going up... we'll be riding squarely on top of it.

Today's combat engineer battalions in a heavy mechanized/armored division is aligned with an armored or infantry brigade on a habitual basis and we support the 2nd Brigade Combat Team, or "BCT", providing mobility and survivability support. We have three engineer companies - A Co Warriors, B Co Beast and, no C Co, but D Co Dawgs of War. We retained the D Co due to the presidential unit citation earned at Chosin. I recently learned that a battalion in Germany, that used to be the 10th Engineer Battalion was reflagged when the 3rd Division was moved from Germany to Fort Stewart... but even though the battalion was reflagged... the D Co that had to become C Co refused to drop the "Dawgs of War" motto and retain it still today.

As for our mission and operations in Kuwait... you can learn an awful lot from the following Web Site: www.globalsecurity.org. Check for Operation Desert Spring, or the U.S. Order of Battle under Target Iraq.

If any of you would like to write current soldiers in the battalion and share perspectives, you can write to through me...

MAJ John E. Burgess HHC
10 EN Bn (NY Kabal)
Operation DESERT SPRING
APO AE 09303

Just put Name with "(10E-Korea)" in the return address and I'll know who it's from. They ended the "Any Soldier Mail" program for security and force protection reasons.

Take Care, Bridge the Sky!

Notices, Notes & Reminders

The Veterans Honor Program

The Veterans Honor Program (VHP) is a federally mandated, state-funded (California) program providing military funeral honors to California deceased veterans. Services are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week 365 days a year.

Have the funeral director or coordinator contact the appropriate Casualty Action Center, Army 800-248-0759 or 520-533-2229. If you can't get through, call during business hours to 916-854-3821.

Courtesy of Martin Markley

The Combat Infantrymen's Association

Army Infantry Veterans: If you earned the Combat Infantryman's Badge (CIB) in any war, we invite you to become a member of this nation-wide organization: "The Combat Infantrymen's Association". It was organized in 1985, and the one requirement to become a member of this *elite group of men* is that you earned the C.I.B. For more info and an application to be a member, e/mail SilverFoxx236@aol.com with your name and address. Please enter CIB in 'Subject' line of your e-mail. Website: [HTTP://CIANATHQ.ORG/](http://CIANATHQ.ORG/)

Proposed Amendments – Constitution and By-Laws

Constitution and By-laws, Society of the Third Infantry Division, United States Army, (Sept. 2002 edition) Page 4, ARTICLE VIII Amendments, paragraph 8.1 states:

This Constitution and By-laws may be amended, altered or repealed by two-thirds (2/3) vote of all members present or represented by valid absentee ballot at a National Reunion Meeting, provided notice thereof shall have been given by publication in one issue of the *Watch on the Rhine* prior thereto.

Pursuant to this, any Society member wishing to propose a change in either the Constitution or By-laws, must submit the same by letter to the Constitution and By-laws Committee postmarked no later than March 15, 2003. The reason being the committee has to study all proposals submitted, make recommendations, possibly consult the Judge Advocate and/or Executive Committee and forward all material to the "Watch" editor for inclusion in the June "Watch" published previous to the reunion in St. Louis, MO in Sept. 2003.

Direct all your correspondence to:

Dale L. McGraw, C&BLS Comm. Ch.
21302 SE 277th Pl.
Maple Valley, WA 98038-3133

Yours in the Third

Dale L. McGraw

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Roll Call

New Members — Society of the 3rd Infantry Division

Regular Members

Life

6107 **EDWARDS**, RALPH OP 35
DIV/ARTY SMAJ KOREA
910 WEST FOREST DRIVE
HOUSTON, TX 77079

2928 ***FOSTER**, FLAVIUS OP63
10FA/C
647 NE BURNT RD
POULSBO WA 98370

6111 **HUBICK**, ARNOLD N OP1
30INF/F PFC PT
6033 N SHERIDAN #45-F
CHICAGO, IL 60660

6108 **PORTER**, RUSSELL L OP 3
41FA/ & 7INF/2BN 2LT PT
450 AL HENDERSON BLVD #907
SAVANNAH, GA 31419

6121 **VANCE**, KENNETH E OP 22
7INF/HVYMTR SGT KOREA
1866 PORT MARGATE PL
NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

Annual

6123 **ALVERSON** WILLARD G OP52
15INF/L&E & HQ 1LT KOREA
9572 N DESERT MIST LN
TUCSON, AZ 85743

6126 **BEYLICKJIAN**, GARY G OP 7
7INF/H SFC KOREA
8107 DANIEL DR
FORESTVILLE, MD 20747

6106 **BJOTVEDT**, GEORGE OP 15
65INF/A 1LT KOREA
PO BOX 12908
PRESCOTT, AZ 86304

6119 **DOREN**, DICK L OPFBA
10ENG/HQ SP4 PT
PO BOX 146
OCONTO WI, 54153

6117 **FITZGERALD**, JOHN L OP 17
15INF/A TSGT WW2
2945 HWAY W
VANDALIA, MO 63382

6124 **FORSYTH**, CARL W OP7
15INF/ PFC WW2
14015 DRY RUN RD
CLEAR SPRING MD, 21722

6127 **GEORGE**, DAVID L OP60
10ENG/HQ SP4 CW
1412 TUGALOO DR NE
ATLANTA, GA 30319

6113 **GETTYS**, CARL E OPFBA
DIV/HQ E4 KOREA
PO BOX 15
GALETON PA, 16922

6101 **GINTER**, KARL OP7
851 ASA/ 103 CEWI BN LTC PT
5203 CHAPEL GATE CT
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22315

6116 **GORGIULO**, ALFONSO P OP5
30INF/ PFC PT
143-43 OAK AVE
FLUSHING, NY 11355

6129 **GRAFNER**, PETER V OP1
DIV/HQ SP4 PT
6626 N CHICORA
CHICAGO, IL 60646

6125 **LAYNE**, DARRELL G OPFBA
7INF/HQ E7 PT
2001 S MISTYWOOD CT
DEFIANCE, OH 43512

6128 **LOPEZ**, FERNANDO OP7
76FA/1BN/7CAV
14402 WILLIAM CARR LN
CENTERVILLE, VA 20120

6118 **RIVERA-MARTINEZ**, RAMIRO
OP 60
65INF/M CPL KOREA
PO BOX 1149
SANTA ISABEL, PR 757

6115 **SABINO**, MICHAEL J OP5
9FA/B PFC WW2
57 1ST ST
YONKERS, NY 10704

6103 **SHEPERD**, CHARLES K OP60
7INF/ SP PT
3372 INNS BROOK WAY
SNELLVILLE , GA 30039

6104 **SKEFFINGTON**, FRANCIS J
OP17
DIV/ PFC KOREA
700 3RD AVE
DE WITT, IA 52742

6112 **SKIPPER**, JR HINTON J OP3
15INF/HQ SP4 PT
2883 PORTER RD
GREENVILLE , NC 27834

6114 **SPRANDEL**, LAWRENCE R
OP1
4INF/2BN G PFC KOREA
978 NORTHWAY CT
HANOVER PARK, IL 60133

6105 **TAYLOR**, RONALD S OP2
64ARM/A & 7CAV/A E4 PT
4913 B 19TH ST WEST
BRADENTON, FL 34207

6102 **ULIANA**, DONALD J OP54
15INF/MED CPL KOREA
2602 COLLEGE AVE
LIVERMORE, CA 94550

Associate Members

6122 **GORGIULO**, RENATO A OP 5
80-34 170TH ST
JAMAICA, NY 11432

6120 **RIGBY**, JOHN F OP 5
6446 FULTON MILL RD
LIZELLA GA, 31052

* Annual to Life Member conversion

Photo file

Combat Section

Betty Hutton visiting troops of the Belgian Battalion, Korea 1952



Claude Billiet (r) and another Belgian Volunteer share foxhole near Kumwa, Korea, 1953. Claudes friend was wounded shortly after picture taken

Photos provided by Claude Billiet.

Chaplains Corner

Chuck Trout

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we come before You as we begin a new year. We pray that You will provide for us as You have so graciously done in the past. Help us to unload any excessive baggage from the past. Remind us, that if we will ask your forgiveness, you will be faithful not only to forgive us but to wipe our slate clean. For the mistakes and failures of the past, we pray that You will renew us with hope and optimism for the future.

We ask that You would give comfort to those who recently have lost loved ones. Give them peace and comfort as only you can do.

We pray for our President and all leaders around the world that they may do your will. We pray for our military where ever they may be, and for their loved ones who patiently wait for their return.

Any finally, we pray for each and every member of the Society of the Third Infantry Division and their loved ones. That this may be their best year ever. Keep each one healthy and safe as we place our faith in You. Amen



Society of the Third Infantry Division

U.S. Army

Purpose

The Society of the Third Infantry Division, United States Army, was incorporated in the State of Illinois in 1919 as a non-profit, fraternal, social, educational, patriotic, military service organization and shall always remain non-partisan and nonpolitical.

Specific objectives are:

- To foster and strengthen associations and friendships formed during service with the Third Infantry Division, U.S. Army.
- To honor the Third Infantry Division War Dead.
- To perpetuate the memory of other former comrades who shared a background of honorable military service with the Third Infantry Division, U.S. Army.
- To encourage and achieve the mutual benefit and support resulting from a close and cooperative alliance between the Society and the Third Infantry Division, U.S. Army.
- To support the Government of the United States and to give it, in peace and in war, the same devotion and service expected of us as members of its armed forces.

Pledge

I pledge to the Society of the Third Infantry Division, United States Army, in the achievement of the objects for which it is formed, that same full measure of loyalty and devotion which my comrades who have fallen gave to the Division itself and to the cause for which it fought.

Through my loyalty and devotion to their memory, their loyalty and devotion shall no more be forgotten by the Country for which they died than by the comrades at whose side they fell.

To them, I pledge, in peace the dedication of myself to that Country, that cause and those ideas of right and civilization, to which they consecrated themselves in War.

General Information

All members will receive the official bi-monthly publication, *The Watch on the Rhine*, and the national membership roster.

The Society is divided into chapters, called outposts, which members are entitled to join. Outposts, at their discretion, may charge a small additional amount for outpost activities. At Large members do not belong to outposts but are referred to as "Footsie Britt At Large."

Eligibility

Regular Membership: Veterans with honorable service in the Third Infantry Division. Also, those who were members of supporting or attached units of the Third Infantry Division.

Life Membership: Same as regular membership.

Associate Member: Spouse, parents, children, or siblings of any person eligible for regular membership, and any person with a special interest in, or an affinity for the Society of the Third Infantry

Dues Information

Annual Membership (per year):.....\$10.00

Overseas Members (per year):.....\$20.00

Life Membership

Recipients of Medal of HonorNo charge

Veterans of World War I.....No charge

Other Life membership dues are based on the following scale:

Up to age 39\$340.00

40-49\$300.00

50-59\$225.00

60-69.....\$150.00

70-79.....\$100.00

Over age 79\$75.00

Contact Ray Anderson, Membership Chairman, for information on extended payment plans.

Dues are payable before July 1st each year. Send payment to:

The Society of Third Infantry Division , 1601 W. Woodcrest Ave. , Fullerton, CA 92833-4531, Tel: 714-871-0419



Membership Application Society of the Third Infantry Division, U.S. Army

Date: _____

New Annual or Life Member

New Associate Member

Name _____
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)

Home Address _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Telephone No _____ Served From _____ To: _____

Unit(s) Served with: _____ Rank: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Please print clearly, detach, and mail this application for membership along with a check or money order payable to Society of the Third Infantry Division to: **The Society of Third Infantry Division, 1601 W. Woodcrest Ave. , Fullerton, CA 92833.**



Society of the 3rd Infantry Division



84th Annual Reunion

September 18-21, 2003 ★★★★★ St. Louis, Missouri

To be held at beautiful Marriott Airport Hotel in historic St. Louis, Missouri! . Hotel rates are \$87 per night, plus tax. The hotel offers free airport transportation and parking. Reunion itinerary includes the following

Thursday Sept 18th

- ★ Presidential Reception Dinner

Friday Sept 19th

- ★ Presidential Reception Dinner
- ★ Tour #1- Historic Jefferson Barracks/ Mississippi Cruise
- ★ Tour #2 – Grants Farm/St. Louis Arch

Saturday Sept 20th

- ★ Morning Business Meeting
- ★ Ladies Function TBD
- ★ Banquet Dinner, Program & Entertainment by the Waterloo German Band

Sunday Sept 21st

- ★ Memorial Breakfast

Hospitality Room with snacks & beverages will be provided throughout the weekend. Call the St. Louis Airport Marriott at 314-423-9700 to make your hotel reservations. Group airfare is available by calling Divine Destinations at 1-800-336-5502. This is guaranteed to be the lowest available airfare. Tours include:

Historic Jefferson Barracks/Tom Sawyer Cruise

A visit to this historical park that is devoted to military history. Both Robert E. Lee and Ulysses S. Grant once served here. Also including is a narrated river cruise aboard a paddlewheeler on the Mighty Mississippi. There will also be a lunch stop at Union Station.

Grants Farm and the Gateway Arch

Once the home of Ulysses S. Grant, Anheuser-Busch has transformed it into a wildlife preserve. They offer an abundance of

domestic and wild animals and several shows daily. No visit to St. Louis would be complete without a stop at the famous Gateway Arch. Built by President Jefferson as a gateway for our Nation's western expansion; it is our tallest manmade monument. The Arch also houses a museum, giant screen movie and large giftshop.

Come join us as we share old memories and make new ones!!

For More Information Contact:

Roger Lochmann
Phone: (618) 345-1067

or

The Reunion BRAT
Phone: (360) 663-2521

Email: TheReunionBRAT@TX3.net

**3rd Infantry Division
U.S. Army Reunion**

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Contact Roger Lochmann
(618) 345.1067**

REGISTRATION FORM

YES SIGN ME UP FOR THE 3RD INFANTRY 84TH ANNUAL REUNION!!!

Name _____

Outpost # _____ Unit _____

Check one or more: WWII Korea Cold War Gulf War Peace Time Active Duty

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Name of your Guests _____

Banquet Dinner Preference: Beef Chicken Vegetarian

Please list any special needs: _____

	# of persons attending	cost/person	
★ Registration fees	_____	x \$15	= _____
★ Sept 18th Presidential Dinner	_____	x \$30	= _____
★ Sept 19th Jefferson Barracks/Cruise Tour	_____	x \$24	= _____
★ Sept 19th Grants Farm/St. Louis Arch Tour	_____	x \$15	= _____
★ Sept 20th Ladies Function (To Be Determined)			
★ Sept 20th Dinner Banquet & Entertainment	_____	x \$35	= _____
★ Sept 21st Memorial Breakfast	_____	x \$12	= _____
		Total Enclosed	= _____

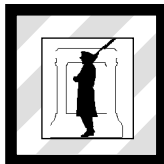
PAYMENT IS DUE NO LATER THAN AUGUST 15, 2003

Please send payments to the following address and make payable to:

THE REUNION BRAT
50721 State Hwy 410 E
Greenwater, WA 98022
(360)663-2521

Confirmation of Registration and Itinerary will be sent out by September 1st. A \$20 per person cancellation fee will apply to all cancellations received within 30 days of the event. Cancellations received within 10 days of the event will be non refundable. Call the Marriott Hotel at 314-423-9700 no later than August 18th to make your hotel reservations. Be sure to mention you are with 3rd Infantry Reunion to receive your group rate of \$87 a night, plus tax.

These prices are available 3 days prior to and after your event should you choose to extend your stay. Call Divine Destinations at 1-800-336-5502 for your Group Airfare, guaranteed to be the lowest available rate!! We'll see you soon in historic St. Louis Missouri!



Last Call

All of us in the Society of the Third Infantry Division, U.S. Army, extend our sincere sympathy to the families and friends of those listed below. May they rest in peace.

In Memoriam

Coble, Harold E. Sr. (2505) OP 60
SFC 3 AAA AWSP B Battery
Korea CW
2033 Carson Segars Rd
Maysville, GA 30558
Reported to Bob Bailey by Harold's wife, Judith.

Cook, France Q. OP 5 (2532)
M/Sgt, 1st Btn. Hq. 7th Inf. Regt., 3d Inf. Div. WWII & Korea
1364 Gilham St.
Philadelphia, PA 19111
DOD 12 December, 2002

He will be cremated and laid to rest at Arlington National Cemetery after a Memorial Service is held for his folks from out of town. He will be missed by all who knew him. Reported by his wife, Kay, to Harry E. Cooke.

Juopperi, Walter W. OP 13
F Co., 15th Inf. Regt.
3d Inf. Div. WWII
625 Lake Linden Ave.
Laurium, MI 49913
Reported by his wife to Terry Tennant

Kennedy, Donald J. LM
OP 12 (3467)
Sgt 39th FA/A, 3d Inf. Div. WWII
401 Central Ave
Waukesha, WI 53186-4717
DOD Nov. 11, 2002

Don served with the 3rd Infantry Division from Fort Lewis, WA, N Africa, Sicily, Italy, France to Salzburg, Austria. He was a good soldier. Reported by George MacKenzie.

Marsh, Glenn E. OP 13
M Co. 30th Inf. Regt. 3d Inf. Div. WWII
Ortonville, MI
DOD September 10, 2002.
Reported by Terry L Tennant.

Rogers, Laurence B. LM
(4410) OP 35
1SGT 7INF/L, 3d Inf. Div. WW2
502 N Ridgeway St
Sapulpa, OK 74066-3107
His awards included a combat Infantry badge, Silver Star, Bronze Star and a Battle Ribbon with four Bronze stars.

From Anzio he was sent to the Panama canal. Dad was a life member of the Combat Infantryman's Association, The Seventh Infantry Regiment, The Society of the Third

Infantry Division and the Anzio Beachhead Veterans.
DOD 14 December, 2002
Reported by his wife and others.

Non-Members

Cooper, Jessie
2nd. Plat. B Co, 15th Inf. Regt.,
3d Inf. Div. Korea
3513 West Blve.
Charlotte, NC 28208
DOD Dec. 27, 2002
Jessie was seriously wounded on OP Kelly Feb. 1952 with loss of right eye, right trigger finger broken & deformed and wounds to his right side. He was operating his BAR. Reported by Jack R. Wells, B Co. 15th.

Dimedio, Richard
Pfc C Co, 7th Inf. Regt,
3d Inf. Div. WWII
Marlton, NJ
DOD 11 December 2002.
Reported by Maurice Meyers, MD

Rember, James
CWO 10th Eng. 3d Inf. Div. Korea
850 1st St.
Port Edwards, WI 54469
DOD 11 December 2002.
Reported by his wife to Tom Chilcott.

Smith, Edward
7th Inf. Regt., 3d Inf. Div. WWII
Glendorf, Ohio
DOD August 24, 2002
Ed landed at Anzio with the Third Div. Reported by the *POW Magazine*.

Stephens, Raymond Thomas
15th Inf. Regt., 3d Inf. Div. Korea
1951 -1952. .
Ashtabula, OH
DOD September 29, 2002.
Reported by his wife to Martin Markley.

Taylor, Ron
15 inf./ B Co 3rd Inf. Div. Korea
Wanta, Louis
41st FA, 3d Inf. Div. WWII
Steven's Point, WI
Reported by Normal L. Myhra to Larry Driscoll.

Wood, Willard E.
C Co. 7th Inf. Regt, 3d Inf. Div. Korea
Litchfield, MN
Reported by Wayne Jens



Quartermaster

Partial list of 3rd. Infantry Division items available.

IMPORTANT ITEM: The pin pictured here, is 11/8" in length, in 3rd Division blue and white, was created to wear in memory of a loved one or good friend who was a member of the 3rd Infantry Division at any period in time. It can also be worn in memory of a spouse of a 3rd Infantry Division veteran.



\$2.00 of the sales price of this pin will be sent to the WWII Memorial Fund for the memorial to be built in Washington, DC with reference that the donation was made by members of the Society of the 3rd Infantry Division.

The first check for \$200 has been sent.

Price\$5.00 each
(Mailing fee: 1-3 Items-75cents, 4-6 items \$1.25)

OVERSEAS CAP: White

Men\$18.00 ea.
Women.....\$20.00 ea
w/3ID patch - \$1.50;

Embroidery of all letters, numbers, periods, marks, dashes, etc. - 50 cents ea;
cap cover: \$1.80 (Mailing fee: \$2.00)

ZIPPO LIGHTER: w/3rd Div. logo \$15.00 (Mailing fee: \$3.00)

3ID BASDEBALLI CAPS: Black, w/3ID logo plus "3rd Infantry Division" above and "Rock of the Marne" below. For Korea veterans, "Korea 1950-1953" replaces "Rock of the Marne."

31D\$9.00
Korea\$9.50
(Mailing fee \$1.50 for one, \$4.00 for two/three)

California residents please include State Sales Tax

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WORLD WAR I [2 Medals of Honor]

- ★ Aisne
- ★ St. Mihiel
- ★ Champagne-Marne
- ★ Meuse-Argonne
- ★ Aisne-Marne
- ★ Champagne

WORLD WAR II [37 Medals of Honor]

- ★ Algeria-French Morocco
- ★ Tunisia
- ★ Sicily
- ★ Naples-Foggia
- ★ Anzio
- ★ Rome-Arno
- ★ Southern France

- ★ Ardennes-Alsace
- ★ Rhineland
- ★ Central Europe

KOREAN WAR [11 Medals of Honor]

- ★ CCF Intervention
- ★ CCF Spring Offensive
- ★ Second Korean Winter
- ★ Third Korean Winter
- ★ First U.N. Counteroffensive
- ★ U.N. Summer-Fall Offensive
- ★ Korea, Summer-Fall 1952
- ★ Korea, Summer 1953

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