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Front Gate Salute



Commandant of the Marine Corps, Gen. David H. Berger, left, and Sgt. Maj. of the Marine Corps, Sgt. Maj. Troy E. Black, right, prepare to lay a wreath at the conclusion of the 2019 New York City Veterans Day Parade, which marked its centennial anniversary and honored the Marine Corps as its featured service.

"May we never forget our fallen comrades. Freedom isn't free." SGTMAJ Bill Paxton.

The display at Camp Pendleton's front gate honoring the Marines slain in the August 26, 2021 debacle at the Hamid Karzai International Airport in Kabul, Afghanistan was impressive—and moving.

As Marines note, it does not matter what division to which they are assigned. The death of one Marine in service to his or her country is a reminder to us all of how precarious our lives might be as we strive to preserve our nation's freedom. That sentiment is also true for our brethren in the other branches of the U.S. armed forces.

Semper Fi to them all.

Speaking of Afghanistan, Commandant Berger and Sgt. Maj. Troy Black wrote this letter to Marines regarding the then current situation in Afghanistan:

18 August 2021

Marines,

Welcome back

Astute readers might have noticed that we have not published the OBN since January/February/March 2021 due to budget constraints. So, we will attempt to catch you up on significant events that have occurred since the 2021 issue. Some of the items may seem old, but they capture important news that readers may not be aware of. That old news is mixed with more contemporary information, USMC/First Division history, administrative announcements, etc.

Of course, we cannot include all the news you missed in the past few months. We are limited space-wise. But, it's a start—and it's good to be back. And, we solicit your feedback/stories/ news for future issues.

As we all learned in our active duty days, "hurry up and wait" is the way of the Marine Corps. Hopefully this issue is worth the wait. More important, we hope that with this edition we will get back on schedule.

As each of us tries to comprehend the speed and scope of events in Afghanistan this week, some may be struggling with a simple question: "Was it all worth it?" We see videos and photos, we read stories that bring back memories for some of us, and it becomes intensely personal. We value

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FMDA Reunion Plans Announced

We said we would meet again. It is now official. Our comeback Annual Reunion is set for this August 13 through 22. Our base of operation will be the Sheraton Pentagon City Hotel in Arlington, Virginia. We have gathered there in the past with great success.

From there, we will explore our nation's capital and USMC installations. We are still putting together the Registration Form and other details. Please let us know if you are interested in attending.

Contact and hotel information follows on page 5.

Semper Fi,

Gerard "Jerry" Corrento, President

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President's Message



Jerry Corrento

Greetings, all. It has been a long cold winter back here in the east, but your 1st Marine Division Association has been busy these last few weeks and months. We are beginning to reorganize the Association to make it more attractive to new members and our long-time members as well.

We recently began a quest to initiate a significant fundraising program, which we hope will be a yearly event that will keep our Association liquid for many years. Details will be forthcoming very shortly.

Also, great news! We will restart our annual reunions after a two-year hiatus due to the pandemic. We will be going to Washington, D.C. in August. Look for details in this issue of the Old Breed. Any idea for trips or activities will be greatly appreciated!

Hopefully we will have lots of members attend who haven't been to a reunion recently, along with some new faces. All members and your spouses or significant others are most welcome to attend, as well as any individual Marines. I am looking forward to seeing all of you in August.

Semper Fi!

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human life and we want to believe that what Marines have done in Afghanistan made a difference. While Sergeant Major Black and I don't presume to speak for you or your family, we would like to offer our thoughts so you know where your senior leaders stand.

We both believe – without question – that your service was meaningful, powerful, and important. You answered the call to serve, proudly carrying the torch of so many generations of Marines before you. You put the good of others before yourself. You fought to defend your country, your family, your friends, and your neighbors. You fought to prevent terror from returning to our shores. You fought for the liberty of young Afghan girls, women, boys, and men who want the same individual freedoms we enjoy as Americans. You fought for the Marine to your left and the Marine to your right. You never let them down. You never, ever gave up. You lived with purpose, with intention.

Whether you realize it or not, you set an example for subsequent generations of Marines – and Americans – by living our core values of Honor, Courage, and Commitment. Was it worth it? Yes. Does it still hurt? Yes.

Since 2001, Marines have served honorably and courageously to bring peace to the people of Afghanistan. You should take pride in your service – it gives meaning to the sacrifice of all Marines who served, including those whose sacrifice was ultimate.

Over the coming days and weeks, we encourage you to connect with your fellow Marines and their families – particularly those you served with overseas. This is a time to come together and give further meaning to our motto, Semper Fidelis. Let us remain faithful to our fellow Marines, faithful to our Marine families, and faithful to the memories of all who have sacrificed.





A remembrance at Camp Pendleton's front gate

We are intensely proud to serve alongside you as your Commandant and Sergeant Major.

Semper Fidelis,

David H. Berger
General, U.S. Marine Corps
Commandant of the Marine Corps

Troy E. Black
SgtMaj, U.S. Marine Corps
Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps



The Editor's Desk©

Art Sharp



Helicopters and hanging Howitzers ©

The story about 4.2 mortars, 105 Howitzers, and helicopters on p. 30 brought back some interesting recollections about the changes in armaments, equipment, strategies, and tactics I endured in my "Old Corps" days (1958-62). There was an evolution in those areas during my four years of service, which was quite interesting in retrospect. I guess that evolution, and the Corps' ability to adapt to it, is why the USMC has endured for 245 years.

My first weapon was an M-1. By the time I rejoined the civilian world four years later the Corps was just switching over to the M-14. I never got to fire it, but by all accounts it was a reliable weapon. I often wondered if we had to go to war during that time if we would have gone with half the Marines using M-1s and the other half using M-14s. That would have been an interesting scenario, since they used different technologies and not all of us were cross-trained in their use.

It wasn't too long after the M-14 became the weapon of choice that the M-16 was introduced. Reports on its reliability were mixed, especially among the Marines who used the M-16 in Vietnam. At least the Corps was moving ahead technologically.

Mortars were pretty common during my enlistment. The 10th Marines owned the "4 deuces," as we called them, along with the 105s that the Corps was thinking of replacing them with. Or maybe not. (The same might have been true with the 11th Marines. I was a 2nd Division stalwart. I may be the only Marine in history to spend his entire four-year enlistment assigned to the same platoon.) Whether or not that happened I don't know. Nor does Sgt. Hall, who asked the question about whether it did. Hopefully, somebody can enlighten us.

Line companies carried the 60mm mortars. H&S/3/8, to which I was attached, included the 81mms, for which I was a Fire Direction Control (FDC) specialist—when I was there. I was TAD so often people thought that Tad was my name. Every time a temporary assignment came our platoon's way, whether it was training Naval Academy students, rescuing stranded damsels from the clutches of evil ogres, or anything outside our normal duties, I was sent on the mission. I was never sure if it was because the officers didn't want me around or because they had faith in my abilities. I suspect it was the former.

Anyway, it was during the late 1950s that the Corps was getting serious about the versatility of helicopters. Back then administrators were wondering whether choppers could lift and transport one artillery piece. Today, they are lifting other helicopters.

Some of the brass had seen the whirlybirds' capabilities in Korea, e.g., for M*A*S*H* transportation and helicopter insertions, and sought ways to take advantage of this new "workhorse." That explains why Sgt. Hall mentioned helicopters and howitzers in his request for info. Fast forward to 1959.

3/8 left for a six-in week deployment to Vieques, Puerto Rico in January that year. I was aboard Boxer (LPH-4), which was carrying a herd of helicopters. Our mission was to practice helicopter assaults in order to refine the technique. For days on end we repeated our vertical assaults. We boarded the choppers on the flight deck, strapped ourselves in, and went ashore. Then, after a simulated landing and firefight, we returned to Boxer via Mike boats, climbed up the nets to its hangar deck, ascended the ladder to the flight deck, and rinsed and repeated.

One of the highlights of the landing operations was seeing incoming choppers carrying now obsolete weapons and vehicles like Mules and Ontoses dangling from their bellies.

My burning question had nothing to do with the tactics, techniques, and strategies involved in the repetition. It was simply this: if helicopters are good enough to get us to land, why aren't they good enough to get us back to the ship? At any rate, the juxtaposition of activities was a sign of the future. We were riding helicopters, the landing insertion vehicle of the future, into "battle," and utilizing the old technique of climbing nets, the old method, simultaneously. The activity symbolized the evolution of USMC operations at the time, which is a never-ending process.

One of the highlights of the landing operations was seeing incoming choppers carrying now obsolete weapons and vehicles like Mules and Ontoses dangling from their bellies. "Old Corps" Marines might remember the short-lived Ontos, which was in service from 1956-1969. It was used to carry 106mm recoilless rifles. Similarly, the "Mechanical Mule" was in use then.

The Mule's life span was from the 1950s to the early 1970s. Mules were used often during the Vietnam War to transport ammunition, cargo, personnel, and weapons. They, too, were armed with 106mm recoilless rifles with missiles. So, if helicopters could carry Ontoses and Mules into battle, why couldn't they transport Howitzers as well? The question is whether they did or not. We look forward to your input to answer Sgt. Hall's inquiry.

Battle of the Bands

The Marine Band they weren't. But the "musicians" of Weapons/1/1st Marines at the Chosin rivaled any of history's great musical moments in terms of brass -as in audacious, not melodious.

Lt. William Masterpool, so the legend goes and grows, equipped his very fine ragtag, not ragtime, Marching and Fighting Music Appreciation Society with toy banjos, saxophones and other miniature instruments he had his father send over.

His bandsmen never quite mastered the kinds of sounds that stir men's souls. But they tried, Lord they tried, which delighted their buddies and really didn't disturb the peace and quiet of the war that much.

Then came their moment of triumph.

As the Chinese signaled their attack with bugles, trumpets, whistles and whatever, Masterpool's musicians, not to be outdone, rallied behind their instruments and-a-one-and-a-two-and-a-three answered with a defiant, "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star."

Annual Reunion Hotel Information





Sheraton Pentagon City, 13-22 August, 2022
900 South Orme Street, Arlington Virginia 22204
Telephone +1 (703) 521-1900
Website: Sheraton Pentagon City

- **Room rate: $125 one king bed, plus 14.24%, total $142.81**
- **Free shuttle for Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport**
- **Hotel does not provide transport for Washington Dulles Airport (25 miles)**
- **Complimentary breakfast for up to two persons per room**
- **Reservations must be made by Friday, July 29, 2022**
- **Parking: reduced overnight parking rate $15 for attendees**

FMDA Registration will be $55 for primary registrant, and one guest, spouse, or significant other.

Please contact June Cormier, (760)763-3268, or june.oldbreed@fmda.us for information and registration.

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New FMDA Officers Elected

Dear Members,

The ballots are in. HQ staff performed the counting, and the elected officers of the 1st Marine Division Association for the 2021 - 2023 term are:

- President Jerry Corrento
- Vice President Vince Rios
- Deputy Vice President East Mike Galyean
- Deputy Vice President Central William Godfrey
- Deputy Vice President West Nick Warr
- Sgt-at-Arms Jerry Corrento, Jr.
- Secretary Pierre Sims
- Chaplain Carlos Mariscal
- Treasurer A.J. Burn
- Legal Officer James Allison

Congratulations to our new and returning officers.

To Immediate Past President Jerry Johs, please accept our sincere gratitude for your many years of service to the Association.

Thank you to volunteer counter/witnesses Corkie Lee, Marshal Varano, and Bill Unger.

Semper Fi,
Sgt Elmer Hawkins, Chairman, Nominating Committee

Latest FMDA Scholarship awards:

- **Alexander J. Koritz**, University of North Dakota for 3rd year
- **Elle Pittman**, Portland State University for 3rd year
- **Gannon M. Ehrman**, Montana State University for 1st year, for Fall 2021/Spring 2022 semesters

Through today, the fund has paid $50,000 in scholarships for this term. Based on our latest approved student review, we have 5 scholarships remaining to be paid this fall.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Jerry Reed, Chief Financial Officer, FMDA Scholarship Fund, Inc.

Thank you, LtCol John R. Stevens

The FMDA Scholarship Fund was named as a beneficiary to receive $10,000 from the estate of recently passed member, Chairman Emeritus LtCol John R. Stevens II.

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Life	Annual	Assoc. Annual	Friend	Total
4,587	959	87	22	5655

Lieutenant Henry: Memoir of a Marine

This is Part III of excerpts from Lt. Joe Henry's memoir. We began it in the July/August/September 2020 issue of OBN. He has graciously granted us permission to republish his remembrances here.

When we left him he had just finished Land Mine Warfare School, which he managed to leave without upchucking after watching films of how lethal booby traps could be. Let's follow his ensuing adventures.

PART III

The class ended on the 15th of October, so I caught the AM taxi chopper on the 16th to An Hoa. When I arrived back to company headquarters I was greeted with the news I had been transferred to Delta Company. The Bravo Company clerk notifying me of this fact also threw in a rather unsettling piece of lore.

"They're known as Dying Delta due to the fact they've lost a lot of men in the past." "Damn, God, you screwed me again," I silently complained as I made my way to their company headquarters.

The First Sergeant explained the company was currently in the Arizona Territory and I should draw more field gear from supply, an M-16 rifle from the Armory, and be ready at the helo-pad the next morning to catch the re-supply chopper to their position.

The night turned into a rendition of many prior evenings in my past when I was preparing for an important track meet, anxious and nervous to "get it over with." I would finally be assigned a platoon and meet my new Company Commander. Expectations, training induced concerns and general survivorship filled my thoughts as I struggled for sleep.

The Arizona was a Badlands. It was the slang term for a large slice of land, 5 miles long and 10 miles wide, surrounded by mountain foothills to the southwest and the Vu Gia and Thu Bon rivers tracing its northern and eastern boundaries. The terrain was open and rolling and punctuated with a matrix of small hills, tree lines, streams, and hamlets and rice paddies. At one time before the war it produced a rich crop of rice.

I was to discover its lush fields and quaint villages were transformed into burned-out hamlets, destroyed villages and rice paddies porous with craters large enough to launch a community swim in. I also learned each geographic area inhabited by the 5th Marine Regiment had its own set of descriptors. Antenna, Happy and Elephant were valleys feeding into the 5th Marines tactical areas of responsibility. Charlie Ridge and Goi Noi Island were also terms I would become uncomfortably familiar with in the months ahead.

The chopper landed on a barren hill, kicking up enormous amounts of dust as it touched down to deliver red bags of mail, cases of C-rats, ammo, and several steel containers of hot food. I, along with several others, departed with the supplies. We had landed in an area of the Arizona called the Razorback, located in the northwestern part of the territory. The piece of land was a long sharp-ridged high ground that stretched about a click lengthwise with several uneven dips, the narrowest portions only being a few meters across. It was appropriately labeled.

Delta Company had been dispatched several days earlier from Battalion to move north several clicks (a click is 1,000 meters) to set up a blocking position on this high ground to disrupt the enemies' rice gathering activities and deny vital supply and infiltration routes to the north, central and east. The overall operation was unofficially tagged "rice denial," a rather mundane term for an operation compared to others I had heard.

Over the past several years the southern end of the 1st Marine Divisions TAOR was a hot bed of operations. Marines had been engaged in actions with names like Tuscaloosa, Dodge City, Union and Union II, Taylor Common, Pipestone Canyon, and Goi Noi Island, to name a few. Many of my brethren had left life early during these heroic but horrific movements.

"Rice denial, how could anyone harvest crop in this flooded and bombed-out hellhole?" I thought as I observed the surrounding paddies on the way to the Company Command Post (CP). Soon I learned tucked away unnoticed were thriving rice operations and markets our enemy depended upon for survival.

The CP consisted of several elevated ponchos spread out and propped up to block the beating sun and protect radio equipment and supplies from unexpected rain happenings. Upon arrival, I found the Company Commander.

1st Lieutenant J.R. Webb's physical appearance was deceiving. I was expecting another Clark Gable clone company commander, but was greeted by a short, bush lean and intense no-nonsense Marine. He was stripped down to a T-shirt, shorts, and jungle boots, and wearing a floppy bush hat with a dangling chinstrap bordering his face. He looked like a regular snuffy (lower enlisted grunt). No different in posture and pretense than any other devil dog inhabiting that high ground. "You're going to 1st Platoon, taking Greg Melnick's place. It's a good group, they're on the north side of the perimeter," he instructed.

I lugged my gear to the directed area and started asking for the whereabouts of Lt. Melnick. Instantly appearing was a tall, deep-eyed, stone-faced and rawboned Marine whose body language instantly displayed rough and gruff. I could sense the whole area was put on hold as we introduced ourselves. "Yeah, I heard you were coming. This is a great group. Sergeant Burgett is your Platoon Sergeant; he knows what to do." In a few short sentences I was told I was lucky with having this platoon because they were battle-tested and well led.

The conversation was one way, with Greg Melnick telling Joe Henry the culture of the platoon and company interspersed with survival tips. He detailed every Marine in the platoon, carefully explaining their duties and past performance. I was spellbound. It was information overload. This briefing was the most important I would have in Vietnam. It would ensure my survival.

"You can do what you want, but I do patrols in a three-column formation when I can." Taking his K-bar (Jim Bowie type knife), Lt. Melnick etched on the hard ground his strategies with the three-column formation. "The beauty of this formation is

you already have flanks set up, so depending on where you get hit it's easier and faster to form an assault line, and then run the off column around in a flanking action." He was sincere and serious in his explanations as he finished his drawings.

It was hot on this high ground with no shade, and the surface was rock hard. I wondered how long it took these Marines to dig the foxholes that were perfectly placed on the crest of this mound. "A steam shovel would have been tested on this granite soil," I mused.

Greg suddenly called out to a Marine maneuvering around his gear an earshot away. "My replacement's here, so now it's official. You want to settle it once and for all?" They both took several steps towards each other and met face to face. Instantly, without a word, they started tussling and tumbling on the hard ground, rolling and gasping, trying to pin the other's back on the surface. I was stunned and in shock. I couldn't believe my eyes. An Officer and Gentleman physically engaging in a no-holds-barred wrestling match with an enlisted Marine on one of the most contested pieces of real estate in Vietnam.

Within a few minutes, they were both so tired they automatically disengaged, agreeing "it was settled." Melnick had sweat and soot dripping from him as he rejoined me, huffing and puffing the humid air that served as oxygen. He had small scrapes and cuts and beginning bruises, but he continued my field instruction without a hint of what he had just participated in.

One nuance of mud Marines is that on Sundays in the bush, if possible, hot chow was served. Choppers on their supply runs would deliver vacuum-sealed steel containers filled with something hot. It was an extra effort made by the brass to acknowledge the grunts' grind. In addition, two beers (rusted Black Label cans) were occasionally distributed, making life in the field somehow connected to the "world" (back home). Chow was announced and set up on the widest part of the perimeter next to the CP. A line quickly formed.

Growing up in a large family yielded its habits. If one didn't arrive at the first seating at the Henry kitchen table for dinner, there was a chance the later choices would be a bit thinner. I always made it a habit to be present at the initial seating.

Soon Greg arrived with a troubled look on his closely cut face. "Joe, you didn't know this, but officers are supposed to eat last, after all the enlisted." It was an odd moment. Should I stop eating and join the rest of the officers in their turn, or finish quickly and chalk up my mistake to being bush boot?

I was talking with a couple of the men when the meal proclamation was made and we automatically started moving to the eating area, continuing to converse. Our arrival was near the front of the line. I was oblivious to any order of service. As Marines were filing by to get in line behind us, I sensed hard looks and muffled tones indicating something was amiss. Still unmindful of any transgression, I received my food and moved back to the platoon area, continuing to communicate with the men.

Soon Greg arrived with a troubled look on his closely cut face. "Joe, you didn't know this, but officers are supposed to eat last, after all the enlisted." It was an odd moment. Should I stop eating and join the rest of the officers in their turn, or finish quickly and chalk up my mistake to being bush boot? I scarfed down the remainder of my meal while rationalizing my actions by "wanting to eat with the men.' It was a feeble attempt to save face. Much to my surprise, the Marines with me approved of my actions and justification. It was a good omen of things to come.

"Skipper" (Company Commander Webb) thinks it would be good for you to go on patrol with another platoon before I head out," Melnick advised later that evening. It was a great idea. Buddying up with a more seasoned Platoon Commander on patrol would give me some inkling as to how I should look and act when I went on my own. Greg insisted I trade my smaller Marine Corps pack for his larger Army pack. It was his parting gift to me.

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2nd Lieutenant Chester R. Pino was an American Indian. He was short, red-tinted skin, ink black hair with high eyebrows and a perfect face. His personality was soft, not in the weakness sense, but in the quiet sense. Chester wasn't a babbler, like Melnick or me. He was a reserved, quiet, reflective grunt lieutenant. He had graduated from the Colorado School of Mines in Golden and joined the Corps. I had only known one other Native American, and his personality was the direct opposite of Pino's.

Koogie (sic) Lewis was from the Omak country of central Washington and was boisterous and proud of his heritage. We played basketball together at Wenatchee Valley College, and Koogie billed himself as a mini Jim Thorpe. He was! He was adept in all physical contests. He was also not afraid to fight, which I held in high esteem in a man's persona.

But Chester was different. He talked in slow, intermittent monotones and only when asked questions. His body language suggested a tracker-hunter type with slow, methodical, well thought out actions. "Bring lots of water, it's hot and gonna' get hotter, and stay behind me," were his instructions as we prepared to descend the small path leading to the fields and vegetation we were directed to patrol. Intelligence indicated the enemy was active in this area gathering rice and supplies. We were to disrupt hi efforts.

Lieutenant Pino and I were placed mid-column in single file formation. We moved through several abandoned paddies before approaching a tree line that fronted a small village. Behind the village was a blue line (river/stream), which acted as its backyard. As we got closer to the tree line we discovered the area opened into an array of small working rice fields and hydrated farmland. Behind the tree line were several thatched roof huts spread along a hard dirt trail.

About 100 meters from the tree line, the point man raised his arm, making a fist, which signaled frozen silence. Pino and his platoon sergeant, Sgt. Thomas L Pierce, huddled near the front and decided to activate a flanking movement so the ville avenues of escape would be cut off.

When we entered the hamlet, it was mysteriously deserted. Pino was explicit in his explanation of what was going on. With confidence he pointed to a smoldering fire, pieces of spilled rice, field tools for harvesting, scat-

tered clothes, and even thin dark hair on the ground next to a small stool, indicating a haircut was in progress. "Their lookout spotted us and they skied a few minutes before we arrived," he counseled.

The assigned squads meticulously inspected every nook and cranny in the ville, carefully, quietly lifting objects that might conceal hidden supplies or weapons or, better yet, an entrance to a bunker or tunnel. Pino radioed Webb to report what he had found and what he was doing. He called it a sit-rep (situation report) and a normal function in the modus operandi of an infantry unit. After an hour we buckled up and headed back to the company pause (name given to the perimeter where Marines are placed for a period of time).

When we arrived it was just before sunset and I was physically destroyed. My canteens were empty and my mouth was parched partially closed. My entire digestive and circulatory system was clamoring for H20. I gulped a continuous flow of water from a large square plastic dirty looking container used as a community drinking fountain.

I checked with Melnick, and then collapsed in my makeshift hootch. My hootch was a strange conglomeration of collapsed bamboo branches, pieces of small rope, and a poncho, which one of my new charges helped construct.

A Marine Corps rifle platoons table of organization calls for three squads, with each squad consisting of three fire teams, and each fire team composed of four Marines (three riflemen and one leader). Throw in the Platoon Commander, Platoon Sergeant, radioman and corpsman, and at full strength a platoon's manpower shakes out at around 40. With additional attachments (M-60 machine guns, scouts, engineers, dogs) the number can get heavier. I never had more than 30 regularly assigned to my platoon the entire time I was in the bush.

My squads usually consisted of two fire teams, and sometimes they were short. I did have attached, however, an M-60 machine gun squad, which helped increase our firepower. The collective character and intensity of the Marines more than made up for any lack of manpower that existed. 1st Platoon Delta Company was combat experienced and molded into a cohesive and aggressive fighting unit by Lieutenant Melnick. They were capable, as I would soon find out, of reacting to any tactical situation with desire and courage.

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20 Oct. 1969, I was listening to the Skipper outline the patrol route south through several tree lines and small hamlets in a semi-circular pattern when butterflies started dancing in the belly. Then booby trap paranoia hit. I was preparing for my first patrol. "My God, this is it," I thought, "all the training and practice in a year of preparation for this moment."

The rains were intermittent with hard, drenching liquid, then hot insufferable sun, drying one just as fast as the saturation process. As we left the perimeter in the three-column formation Melnick had advised, the cloudbursts started again. We crossed several open rice paddies (about two clicks) to our first check point, which was an isolated tree line 200 meters in length and no wider than 20 to 30 feet. The tree line seemed out of place situated in the middle of open fields. The booby trap fixation had quickly dissipated as I surmised the heavy rain would discourage their activation. The raindrops came harder and faster as we moved across the flat space, with each squad trying to find high ground that would direct foot strikes to solid earth.

I was placed mid-middle column and had a good view of the men ahead. Each Marine was fully loaded for combat with several bandoleers of M-16 rounds adorning their chests, which helped keep the thick heavy slat-built flak jackets from bouncing about their torsos. Most had donned ponchos to help fight the monsoon rain, and had adjusted their survival equipment accordingly. An assortment of percussion (M-26) and smoke grenades, a razor-sharpened K-bar, and shoulder-strapped LAAWs (thin hard plastic cylinders used as min-bazookas) complemented their main survival tool, the M-16 assault rifle. We were fully loaded and combat-hungry humans intently and cautiously patrolling and seeking out the adversary.

I gazed forward observing this scene in the driving rain, and a weird, strange uncommon feeling possessed me. It was similar to the experience I encountered as an 18-year-old messman working on the tugboats from Seattle to Seward, Alaska.

One evening while our vessel was crossing the Gulf of Alaska (a three-day trip) I was on the top back deck observing the sunset. It was a grandiose sight, watching the huge bright orange sphere slowly descend below the vast ocean. Suddenly I was overwhelmed with a feeling of absolute power. It caused goose bumps to climb my spine. With that strength surged a parallel feeling of helplessness. It was a combination of feelings I had never experienced before.

I'm not a zealot Christian, the type that would have claimed some ecclesiastical enlightenment from the hand of God, so I passed it off quickly, not wanting to dwell on something I couldn't easily explain. But why here, several years later in a completely different environment under completely different conditions, was I experiencing this same feeling?

"Marines on patrol" kept flashing through my mind as I followed my troops through the water-filled fields. The feeling passed after a few minutes as we approached the tree line checkpoint, and then moved across more abandoned paddies on our way to the first small hamlet we would inspect.

The mama-san was typical of the ultimate survivor who failed to move to the Due-Due resettlement site with most of her peers. I could not figure out why. The NVA/VC ruled these areas at night and we ravaged them in the day. Maybe she had a relative who was NVA; maybe she pissed someone off and was denied relocation. Hell, maybe she was NVA/VC herself. "These small hamlets were to be cleared of all indigenous populations, so why were people still here?" I thought.

I had a job to do, a mission to accomplish, and no one was going to deter my attention or actions in accomplishing the goal. We were to seek out and destroy the enemy, disrupt his re-supply efforts, and search for, capture, and destroy all rice caches.

But this frail old woman was looking at me with her dry wrinkled face torched by many years of sun and stained beetle nut teeth, outfitted in black pajama bottoms topped by a filthy off-white tattered smock. She was whining and whaling in her native language with a pitch and intensity level that evoked urgency. She was pointing to a young boy no older than 10, who was clutching his side and moaning in chant-like fashion. Since we didn't bring the Kit Carson scouts, no one could understand what she was saying.

Doc Scott, our corpsman, surmised she wanted us to take this kid back to our pause, and then send him on the next re-supply chopper to Da Nang for medical help. "By the way he's holding his side it looks like an appendicitis problem, Lieutenant. What should we do?" Doc queried. I was all for "winning the hearts and minds" of the Vietnamese, but this might be pushing it a bit.

As the men were searching and scouring the scattered straw thatched huts making up this small ville, I was confronted with my first command decision. "Should I take him or leave him?" Nothing was going to impede my mission, but I could tuck him at the back of the middle column. If he could keep up we'd deliver him to the pause and let the Kit Carson's take over; but if he didn't he'd drop off and straggle back to his ville and be left at the mercy of his culture. I barked out my decision to Doc, then the platoon saddled up and we continued our route.

Our return trip would take us by the same tree line we used as our first checkpoint, but from the opposite direction. The rain had let up but the landscape was still saturated, with only the sliver-like paddy dikes offering dry solid footing.

As we approached the tree line I was starting to contemplate the uneventful nature of my first patrol when a bevy of scattered high staccato cracks of AK-47 rounds filled the surrounding air. I immediately heard the hard pops of M-16 fire rattling back, interspersed with the clunk and thunk of M-79 grenade launcher rounds. Firefights are uncivilized affairs. The only "rule of engagement" is to stay alive while defeating (killing) the enemy. It's instant action, reaction and nano-second decisions that continually play out until no one is left.

Our point man had just reached the berm of the tree line when he discovered Charlie approaching the same tree line from the opposite direction. It was like "who saw who first." My platoon had already been well seasoned by Lieutenant Melnick. Immediately they went into action. The middle and left columns formed a skirmish line, while the right column went into a flanking, enveloping movement.

I instantly moved forward from my middle column position to get an idea of what was happening and to better assess the situation. It looked like we beat Charlie to the tree line and gained an insurmountable advantage. Mr. Charles (as Bergie, my Platoon Sergeant, would term Charlie) was caught with his pants down. Once our firepower kicked in, he had nowhere to go but retreat across the open paddy from which he had come. We had bumped into an NVANC supply run operating during daylight, highly unusual for Charlie. He normally worked at night.

These runs usually consist of several rice bumpers and were escorted by AK-47 toting VCs who were familiar with the local area. I figured we routed about a dozen.

The quickness and intensity of these moments are unforgiving. If one screws up, there are no take backs. Once our skirmish line was formed, I got on the hook (PRC-25 field radio) to call in 60rnm-mortar fire to head off their escape. My entire body was awash in nervous sweat and my hands shook profusely as I grabbed the neatly folded plastic covered map from the cargo pocket of my cammies. I fervently studied the map for the correct coordinates for the fire mission. A combat leader's worst nightmare is giving incorrect coordinates, which results in "friendly fire" causalities. I wasn't taking any chances on my first run.

I knew I had a vision problem, and anything out farther than 10 meters would appear blurry. I faithfully carried my Marine Corps-issued eyeglasses next to the map in case they were needed to properly identify distant objects. During this episode it must have appeared comical to my charges as I was fidgeting to properly fit my corrective lenses (lopsided due to a bent frame) so I could accurately place the enemy while fumbling to straighten out the map for correct geography. While I was in the process of this, I glanced up to notice my enveloping force (right flank) sprinting across the open rice paddy, chasing Charlie, similar to the charge of the Light Brigade.

I had been advised in prior indoctrination that sometimes the enemy would bait an ambush by causing over-aggressive Marines to pursue their retreat. It was a flash thought, but I didn't want to rule out anything. I instantly jumped up, gathering all the nervous energy and zeal I could muster, and screamed, "Get the hell back here. Now, do it." It was a 25-meter shout, in mega voice, and it worked. The squad stopped, looked at me, and then retreated back to their original right flank position.

The 60mm mortar rounds exploded several hundred meters to our front on empty rice paddies. Charlie had made a quick exit. My strategy of heading off his retreat was stupid. I wasted taxpayer money on a useless fire mission. When I called in my sit-rep to the six (radio designation for the Company Commander), I sensed Webb was more amused than impressed with my combat abilities. After advising me to sweep the area on the way back, he closed with "good way to get your feet wet" in his combat confident voice.

We logged one enemy KIA with some combat gear, but no weapon. We propped our kill against a tree in the sitting position for psychological effect on the enemy. Normally Charlie would quickly retrieve his dead, but in subsequent visits to this area our kill had decayed beyond recognition. Maybe this guy had been on the outs with his commander. We tracked some blood trails while sweeping the area, but found nothing.

"My first patrol and I experienced real contact," I confided in myself later that evening. I dissected my performance. "Why did it take me so long to get forward? Those stupid glasses, they always fog up. My fire mission acumen is a joke; it takes too long to read the map." Then it hit me. "Damn, my men obeyed my orders." Hey, that's what they're trained to do.

I dwelled on the obedience factor and felt a twinge of accomplishment. I squeezed the beads (rosary) hard in thanking the Virgin (Blessed Virgin Mary, female Catholic icon) for getting me through my first action (as light as it was) with no causalities. I drifted off to sleep thinking, "I don't care if they hate me, but they have to do what I say."

TO BE CONTINUED

Sergeant Scott Montoya, USMCR: A True 'Blue

By Nicholas Warr

As most veterans know, true heroes are very rare. Consider Lt. Gen. Chesty Puller, who during his legendary career earned the Navy Cross, the Distinguished Service Cross, and numerous other awards; and U. S. Navy Chaplain Father Vincent Capodanno, who was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor; and Lt. General Martin L. Brandtner, who earned two Navy Crosses out in The Arizona during his second tour in the Republic of Vietnam; these true heroes don't come along every day.

One of the great benefits of being a member of the 1st Marine Division Association since I joined 23 years ago is that I have had the wonderful opportunity to meet and talk with some true American heroes – those who demonstrated amazing courage under fire, who saved lives and whose acts turned the tide of battle, resulting in victory and a new chapter in our beloved Corps' legacy.

I'll never forget the day that I first met Colonel Mitch Paige, USMC (MOH). I was attending an FMDA Anniversary celebration many years ago at Camp Pendleton. It was a rather dreary day with a light but persistent rain falling on those of us who had participated in and observed our annual "Rededication of Colors" ceremony at 1st Marine Division Headquarters. I had invited my son, Brent, and we were both soaking wet, so we ducked into the Quonset hut behind the White House where I knew there was a historical display of various artifacts displaying some of the legendary history of our division.

As I began to show him around, I noticed that Mitch Paige was also in the Quonset hut, so I introduced my son to him. After a brief conversation, Mitch asked Brent if he would like to walk around the museum with him, so he could expand on the displays surrounding us. Brent was in awe of this kind, soft-spoken man who was wearing the beautiful starred blue and white decoration, proof of the fact that we were in the presence of a true hero, and so was I. I'll never forget his kindness that day, and the humility that Colonel Paige demonstrated. It capped off a very memorable day for all of us.

I also remember the honor I felt every time I was in the presence of Gunnery Sergeant Denny Weisgerber, USMC (Ret) as we worked together within the 1st Marine Division Association. Denny was also a living legend to all of us who knew him and worked with him. Awarded the Navy Cross for his heroic actions in Korea in 1952, Denny worked tirelessly for many decades on our behalf. I will never forget his booming, yet somehow gentle, voice as he served as our Master of Ceremonies at many Blue Diamond functions and USMC Birthday Balls over the years.



Sgt Scott Montoya (L) with President George Bush

Once I accepted the responsibilities to become the FMDA's Deputy Vice President – West, the first thing I did was reach out to all the Chapter Presidents in the Western Region. When I reached the Chapter President of our Orange County Chapter, Sergeant Scott Montoya, I quickly became impressed with his youthful enthusiasm and immediately knew that our Orange County Marines had great leadership. That feeling was confirmed after our first conversation, during which Scott shared with me that their chapter was very active, hosting well-attended monthly meetings and four functions every year.

They host a chapter picnic, a special luau, a Marine Corps Birthday celebration, and they are very active in the Toys for Tots program. Their meetings are full of "interesting stuff," and light on "administrative crap" as Scott energetically enlightened me. Their biggest challenge is retention of membership and recruitment of new members, which is the issue that I have found to be uppermost on the minds of our chapters and our national association.

I was so intrigued by our first conversation that I decided to learn more about Sgt. Scott Montoya. I found that Scott had been working as a Deputy Sheriff in the Orange County Sheriff's Department for over four years when he came to the decision to enlist in the United States Marine Corps at age 25. He had observed that many of his fellow deputies had served time in our Corps, and he was very impressed by their love of the Corps and the Esprit de Corps they displayed every day.

Scott graduated from boot camp at MCRD San Diego and excelled at every assignment he was given. He was the honor graduate of the School of Infantry and spent two and a half years as a squad automatic weapons gunner. He excelled at the elite Scout Sniper School, and he became a martial arts instructor and trainer.

Scott eventually changed his status as that of Marine reservist and went back to work as a deputy sheriff. Three weeks after the devastating terrorist attacks on 9/11, his reserve unit was activated. During the build-up of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, Scott was deployed with the Scout Sniper Platoon, 2nd Battalion, 23rd Marines, who were attached to the 1st Marine Division. His unit was on point for the invasion of Iraq, under the leadership of (then) Major General James N. Mattis.

As the Marines pressed toward Baghdad, Scott and his fellow Marines found themselves in a ferocious firefight in Sadr City,

Diamond' Hero

which was considered a stronghold for Saddam Hussein's vaunted Iraqi Republican Army. To say the least, his actions during that hellacious battle saved lives and made a huge difference for his fellow Marines, but also many innocent Iraqi civilians who found themselves in harm's way. Scott's Navy Cross Citation speaks for itself, but it does not contain the full story. Here's a link to the citation: https://valor.militarytimes.com/hero/3638

I have recently learned from several of Scott's business associates and friends that there is an effort underway to have his award upgraded to the Medal of Honor. After reading his citation and learning more about what happened that day and understanding the full story of Scott's undaunted courage under fire, I am joining that effort to see that he receives the recognition he deserves.

After serving another five years in the Orange County Sheriff's department, Scott decided to change his focus and launched a non-profit veterans' service organization to help him and his partners do what they can do to assist disabled veterans. It's called Faithful Service for Veterans, and their mission is to pair dogs with disabled veterans. You can check out this wonderful program here: https://faithfulserviceforveterans.org/

Imagine my joy at realizing that I was once again in the presence of a true Blue Diamond hero as I was speaking with Sergeant Scott Montoya, USMCR (Navy Cross). I look forward to meeting him in person at our next FMDA function and to working with him and our Orange County Chapter as we work toward the goals of financial stability, increased membership and renewed focus for the 1st Marine Division Association.

Stay tuned for the rest of Scott's story, which will be published in the next issue of *The Old Breed News*.

Scott Montoya's Citation

Navy Cross

Awarded For Actions During Global War On Terror

Service: Marine Corps
Battalion: 2d Battalion
Division: 1st Marine Division, I MEF

GENERAL ORDERS:

CITATION:

The President of the United States of America takes pleasure in presenting the Navy Cross to Sergeant Scott C. Montoya, United States Marine Corps Reserve, for extraordinary heroism while serving as a Scout Sniper, Scout Sniper Platoon, Second Battalion, Twenty-Third Marines, FIRST Marine Division, First Marine Expeditionary Force, in Support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM on 8 April 2003. During the battle for Baghdad, Sergeant Montoya's sniper team arrived within Company F's position as they came under heavy small arms fire from a determined enemy force. He immediately encouraged Marines to deploy and return fire. Noticing a disabled civilian vehicle on the road in the line of fire and with complete disregard for his own life, he rushed forward amidst a hail of gunfire and dragged a wounded Iraqi civilian to safety. Returning to the front, he spotted a wounded Marine struggling to get off the same fire swept street, he risked his life to lead the Marine to safety. Returning to the front, he spotted a wounded Marine lying in the street. Ignoring the hailstorm of bullets, Sergeant Montoya rushed into the street for a third time to carry the injured Marine to safety. Sergeant Montoya returned a fourth time to evacuate an unconscious Marine. Returning to the front again, he dashed into the contested street and assisted a Marine to safety who had been dazed by an explosion. Sergeant Montoya ensured medical attention was administered and verified that evacuations were ongoing. By his outstanding display of decisive leadership, unlimited courage in the face of heavy enemy fire, and utmost devotion to duty, Sergeant Montoya reflected great credit upon himself and upheld the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.

LAST MAN BOTTLE - NOV 10, 2021

U.S. Marines shared a bottle of cognac from 1942 during a 246th Marine Corps Birthday Ball and Last of the First Salute ceremony at Omni La Costa Resort and Spa, Carlsbad, California, Nov. 6, 2021. Marines with 1st Marine Division, past and present, gathered to celebrate the anniversary of the Marine Corps. During the celebration, World War II veterans opened a bottle of cognac called the "Last Man's" bottle, which they had saved since WWII.

The bottle was intended to be opened by the last surviving Marine from the Battle of Guadalcanal. Due to the declining number of Marines from the battle, the bottle was opened 77 years later and shared with the Marines in attendance at the ball.



Marines share "Last Man" bottle

Tear gas, blister gas, and boot camp

By Staff Writer A.T. Wunz

Do any of you remember this? My memories of CBT training may be a little hazy after all these years, but it did happen. I am relying on our readers to clear up any faulty memories.

Marines who went through boot camp and ITR (Infantry Training Regiment) in the 1950s and 1960s may remember CBR Chemical, biological and radiological) training—or a variation thereof. But how many of you remember being exposed to atomic bomb blasts?

Certainly not too many Marines of that era participated in the atomic bomb testing. But, John Gluck, the author of the nearby article, specifically mentioned that 1,000 Marines from the east coast and another 1,000 from the west coast were involved. Many more went through basic CBR training.

Two-part tear gas training involved exposure to the actual product. Recruits were "invited" into a sealed building into which tear gas was released. For the first minute or so they wore gas masks. Then, they took them off and sang—or tried to sing—a verse or two of the Marine Corps Hymn. Next, the doors were opened and there was a headlong rush through the door into fresh air.

There was also cursory training in other gases and substances to which Marines might be exposed. One of them was white phosphorous (WP). We fully expected the trainers to call in an 81mm mortar WP barrage just to test our reactions and ability to treat any burns that may occur. We were relieved when that didn't happen, but we did get to daub mud on our pretend burns.

Another part of the exercise included dropping a small amount of blister gas onto the back of your hand just to see how it affected victims. Trainees were also instructed on how to inject antidotes into their bodies via syringes to inhibit adverse effects from the gas.

That was as much fun as inhaling tear gas while singing "From the halls of Montezuma…," which was about as far as many trainees got in the sealed buildings before they reached the doors, which were guarded by maskless instructors who seemed to be impervious to the gas.

So, a few questions:

- Did CBR training take place during boot camp or ITR?
- When was it discontinued?
- Is there a variation of such training available to Marines today?
- Would hands-on CBR training such as that afforded new Marines in the 50s and 60s be tolerated by society today?
- When did ITR disappear as a separate part of recruit training?
- Am I imagining things about CBR training?

Please let our editorial staff know. Now onto the story about a real "atomic Marine."

The Atomic Marine

By John Gluck

When the Korean War started, I knew I would join the Corps. My brother, who was in WWII in a Marine air wing, told me to remember two things: one, make believe your D.I. in boot camp is your friend and smile and always say "Yes Sir." Second, don't volunteer for anything. The powers-that-be will always find someone to do the job.

Trying to think ahead, I decided to sign up at the end of September 1950 so I'd be on leave during Christmas. I missed by one week. I got home for New Year's for my ten-day leave, thinking I would be going to Camp Lejeune for advanced infantry training, I was surprised to be sent to Courthouse Bay for heavy equipment school and given my PFC stripe.

After three months of that, I thought I would be heading for the west coast to go to Korea. Fate prevailed and I ended up at Tent Camp now called Camp Geiger, where I was assigned to the recently reactivated 8th Engineer Battalion and got my Corporal stripes.

All of our equipment was WWII stuff that was brought back from the Pacific. We spent weeks scraping off the coral to get the equipment in working condition. Every month we all read the list of those picked to go on the next draft to Korea.

Time passed: it was March 1952. At a morning muster the First Sergeant asked if anyone had high school chemistry or physics. I started to raise my hand but remembered what my brother said, so I pulled my hand down quickly. Too late! He saw me. "Cpl. Gluck, into the office when we are finished."

I found out that the Corps had set up a CBR school (Chemical, Biological and Radiological) and every company was sending a Marine to a forty-hour class to be the contact person if anyone happened to find an atomic bomb. I became the CBR specialist for Co. B, 8th Engineer Battalion.

Walking back from the heavy equipment area about two months later I passed a Co. 2nd Lt. and gave him a salute. He said mischievously, "Enjoy your trip, Corporal." He saw the quizzical look on my face and said, "Stop at the company office. The captain wants to see you."

There I was given the word that 1,000 Marines from the east coast and 1,000 Marines from the west coast who attended a CBR school were going to Yucca Flats, Nevada to witness an atomic bomb drop. The ride itself was an experience, let alone the bomb drop.

Passenger planes back in 1952 were DC-3 twin engine aircraft. We had to land three times for fuel to get to Las Vegas. Then we had an eighty-mile bus ride to Yucca Flats. The first day was orientation. The second was a walk through ground zero to see various equipment at different distances from ground zero. The third day was the drop.

Yucca Flats is a large desert area about fifteen miles in diameter. We were in shallow trenches at a slight rise about four miles from ground zero. A dynamite charge was set off across the valley for the specialists to check their equipment. The several pounds used created a sharp blast, so we all thought the A-bomb would burst our ears.

The announcer told us the plane would be over the target in five minutes. We were given dark glasses and told to turn around when the countdown was down to three seconds and, above all, not to face the flash. After five seconds we could turn around and watch the fireball and the smoke ring form.

We saw the plane, a speck in the sky at thirty-thousand feet. Then the bomb dropped. It took thirty seconds to drop. Detonation was at 1,500 feet altitude. We all looked at each other and turned our backs slowly to the potential blast. Then the rumble began, louder and louder.

It sounded like a train was going right over my head. There was not a sharp blast like the dynamite: just a loud rumble. We turned around and watched the fireball and smoke ring. Across the valley we saw a roll of dust getting larger and larger as it came toward us.

Suddenly we were thrown against the back of the trench. Then, because the blast pushed all the air away from ground zero, the air wanted to get back to ground zero, so it was sucked back in. We were thrown to the front of the trench. Finally, we heard the command, "Out of the trench and form a column of twos." We marched the four miles to ground zero. That was an experience I will never forget—and I became a CBR Marine with something to talk about.

Operation Tumbler-Snapper

1952 - Nevada Proving Ground

Operation Tumbler consisted of three air bursts conducted to gather detailed information about blast effects. The fourth test was also an airburst and technically part of both Tumbler and Snapper. The remaining four shots during Operation Snapper were tower shots and were weapons development tests of various kinds.

The Desert Rock IV field exercise was conducted during Tumbler/Snapper, with 7,350 out of 8,700 DOD participants conducting maneuvers in conjunction with test shots Charlie, Dog, and George, and observing during Fox.

- Test: Dog
- Time: 16:30 1 May 1952 (GMT)
  08:30 1 May 1952 (local)
- Location: Nevada Test Site (NTS), Area 7
- Test Height and Type: 1040 Foot Airdrop from B-45
- Yield: 19 kt

FMDA's 2021 50/50 Raffle Winner CPL James T. Young Receives His Winnings

We drew the winning ticket for this year's 50/50 raffle on 14 September. The winner was CPL James T. Young, of Johnson City, Tennessee. The prize was $2,825. CPL Young donated $825 back to the Association's General Fund.

Thank you to all who bought tickets, and special thanks to Carla Dunn for her help, and to CPL Young for his donation.



Carla Dunn, Executive Director of Dominion Senior Living, presents check to CPL James T. Young

We are still accepting material

Now that we are (hopefully) back on a publication schedule we can get back to soliciting material to fill the pages of our magazine. Please send us whatever 1stMarDiv-related stories you would like to see in print, e.g., feedback and corrections (not that we ever get anything wrong, of course), photos, items of general interest, what members are up to, stories of past and present Marines, etc. for publication in future editions.

You do not have to worry about format, spelling, grammar, etc. That is what our hard-working staff is responsible for. You can send the material via regular mail, email, UPS, FedEx, carrier pigeon…your choice. You can even relay short items of interest by phone.

If you are unsure of whether your material is suitable for publication in the OBN, send it in anyway. We can make a decision here.

Remember, the OBN is your publication and best source of FMDA news, and it's a team effort.

We appreciate your participation.

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It's not the price you pay to belong, It's the price you paid to become eligible to join

1st Marine Division Association

ANNOUNCING THE FIRST FMDA BLUE DIAMOND SHOOT

Saturday, June 25, 2022 - 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

Raahauge's Sporting Clays Range
14995 River Road, Eastvale, California 92880; (951) 735-7981
A "Fun Fund-raiser" for a Great Cause: Helping Marines, Sailors and their Families

Championship Guidelines

- 14 Shooting Stations plus 2 Contests
- Four (4) Shooters per Team
- Each Shooter has 100 Shots
- Beginner or Intermediate Stations
- "Crossing Shot" Station ($20.00 per chance). Winners are all eligible for a special drawing.
- All Shooters will receive a Shoot Gift Bag and a Free BBQ Buffet Lunch after the Event
- Shooters MUST Provide their own Eye & Ear Protection, Shotgun and Ammunition. SHOTGUN RENTALS ARE NOT AVAILABLE!

Agenda

8:00 am - Registration Desk Opens
8:45 am – Welcome, Safety Briefing and Instructions 9:00 am – Shooting Competition – Shotgun Start
12:00 noon – Buffet Lunch (catered by Badlands BBQ) and Awards will start immediately after the Competition is Completed.
12:30 pm – A 50/50 Drawing and a Live and Silent Auction will be conducted as part of the Awards Ceremony.

Awards & Prizes

Each participant will receive a Shoot gift bag. Shooters from the top three (3) teams and the top three (3) individual shooters will be presented with trophies. Each year, the winning team and the top shooter will be recognized on the "Perpetual" Competition Plaque which will be mounted and maintained at Raahauge"s Shooting Range.

Registration Form

Registration Deadline is June 11, 2022

Team/Company Name: _____ Captain _____ Phone/Email _____

Team Members: 1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

Sponsorship Levels (Check One):

- ❒ **Event Sponsor** - $5,000.00 – Includes three (3) 4-Shooter Teams
- ❒ **Guadalcanal Sponsor** - $2,500.00 – Includes two (2) 4-Shooter Teams
- ❒ **Pelilieu Sponsor** - $1,500.00 – Includes one (1) 4-Shooter Team
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- ❒ **One 4-Shooter Team** - $600.00 ($500.00 if all Shooters are on Active-duty)
- ❒ **One individual Shooter** - $150.00 ($125.00 if on Active-duty)
- ❒ **One (1) Non-Shooter Meal** - $35.00

Billing Information:

Primary Contact: _____ Company/Organization: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

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For Registration Questions Contact Nick Warr - 828-243-8708 - nick@nicholaswarr.com. Please make checks out to: **1st Marine Division Association** or FMDA and mail to: **PO Box 9000, Box #902, Oceanside, CA 92051**

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- Name / Logo recognition and top billing in advertising, signage and messaging
- Special recognition during Welcome and Awards Presentation
- Three (3) Teams of four (4) Shooters
- Free Buffet Lunch provided for all Shooters
- Reserved Table with name recognition
- Opportunity to put promotional items / gifts in the Shoot Gift Bag

Guadalcanal Sponsorship - $2,500.00, includes

- Name / Logo recognition and preferred billing in advertising, signage and messaging
- Special recognition during Welcome and Awards Presentation
- Two (2) Teams of four (4) Shooters
- Free Buffet Lunch provided for all Shooters
- Reserved Table with name recognition
- Opportunity to put promotional items / gifts in the Shoot Gift Bag

Pelilieu Sponsorship - $1,500.00, includes

- Name / Logo recognition in event advertising, signage at the station you sponsor
- Special recognition during Awards Presentation
- One (1) Team of four (4) Shooters
- Free Buffet Lunch provided for all Shooters
- Opportunity to put promotional items / gifts in the Shoot Gift Bag

Wounded Warrior Sponsorship - $1,000.00, includes

- Name / Logo recognition in event advertising, signage at the station you sponsor
- Special recognition during Awards Presentation
- Add one Wounded Warrior to your team of Three (3) Shooters
- Free Buffet Lunch provided for all Shooters
- Opportunity to put promotional items / gifts in the Shoot Gift Bag

Blue Diamond Shoot – Volunteers Needed!

To ensure that our inaugural event is successful, we need a team of approximately twelve (12) committed volunteers to assist leading up to the event and on Shoot Day. Volunteers will be asked to help find potential Shooters, Donors and Sponsors leading up to the event and they will be asked to be at the event venue staring at 0800 on the morning of the Shoot and to stay until the event is completed. Volunteer assignments:

• 2 – Registration Desk; responsible for checking in all pre-registered shooters / teams and taking money from those who sign up on Shoot Day.

• 2 – Welcome Desk; responsible for handing out the Event Programs to each participant, as well as answer questions about the Event.

• 2 – Mulligans Desk; Mulligans (do-overs) are available to any Shooter for $10.00 per Mulligan; limit two (2) Mulligans per Shooter.

• 2 – Raffle, Silent Auction; responsible for setting up silent and live auction items and handling the auctions.

• 4 – Game Station Monitors; 2 Game Stations, 2 volunteers each; responsible for monitoring two "fun games" on the course: A Rabbit Target and a Simu-pair. Each Shooter may purchase a chance for both of these games. $20.00 per chance. Winners (Shooters must hit all targets to win) are given a raffle ticket and are entered in that game's 50/50 drawing to be conducted during the silent auction and awards ceremony during lunch.

If you are willing and able to volunteer for this important new fundraiser, please contact Nick Warr, Deputy Vice President West, at 828-243-8708 or nick@nicholaswarr.com

We are also looking for items we can use in our Silent Auction and Auction, which will take place during lunch after the shoot. Any item that would be interesting to a U. S. Marine, a hunter or a shooter would be acceptable. In particular, it would be great to have any combat memorabilia item donated to our cause.

Semper Fidelis!

Papaw Donnie

I lie on my back looking straight up at the dark gray low clouds. It begins to rain again, pouring down upon my face. Raining so hard that I can hardly keep my eyes open against it. I can't move. I can't hear the rain. Just the dark clouds above me.

Making loud explosions against it and with this there is an explosion of other sounds. Someone is screaming. Towards my feet a voice screaming, "Shut up Simmons, you big baby!"

To my right the screaming. To my right the screaming stops and a voice chokes out, "but it hurts, it hurts1"

Up above me and behind me a voice shouts, "Damnit, Baker lay still, lay still; Damn, they shot him again."

To my left there are strange gurgling sounds. Someone hollers "Doc, Doc, Sgt. Amador is going bad." Movement to my left and swearing, a voice says, "Quick, elevate his feet."

More sounds of movement and struggling. There is a human throat rattling sound and a voice says, "Gawd damnit, gawd damnit --- he's gone."

Up above and behind me a frantic choking voice says "Doc, Doc, I can't breathe, something is in my chest, man, something in my ---"

I hear a choking, coughing sound and dark purple blood is spewed all over my face. Later a voice hollers through the rain and shouts, "Doc, let us try to get Al out of here, he's been here the longest."

A voice answers, "Nobody leaves until we can get them all out!"

To my right the screaming starts again. I watch the rain, and silence returns. I wonder if I am dying. Above me the sky is blue. I hear the birds signing and small laughter. A small voice hollers, "Papaw Donnie, come here-- come here!"

Thank God, thank God.

Don Alexander, Sgt USMC (Ret),
Alpha Co. 1/5 1st Mar. Div., Operation Colorado

NOTE: This story appeared in the December 2021 A-1-5 Scuttlebutt, p. 6.

Reunion Calendar - 2022

NOTE: Some contributors are submitting reunion notices barely a few days or weeks before the actual gatherings. Please allow at least four months—six or more is better—if you want your reunion notices printed in more than one issue and in enough time to give potential attendees adequate notice to make plans to be there.

NOTE #2: All dates are subject to change due to Coronavirus considerations. Check with contacts listed re changes, cancellations, postponements, etc. The Old Breed News is not responsible for the content or accuracy of reunion notices.

2022

MAY

5thMarDiv Assoc., 72nd Annual Reunion, May 11-15, San Diego, CA. Kathy Tinsley, 619-770-0257, finally@cox.net

Marine Expeditionary Brigade-Afghanistan Task Force Leatherneck (2009–2010), 10-Year Reunion, May 13–15, Marine Corps Base, Quantico, VA. Facebook.com/2dMEBAfghanistan

AUGUST

1st Marine Division Association. Aug. 13-22, Sheraton Pentagon City Hotel, Arlington, VA.

SEPTEMBER

The Chosin Few, Sept. 7-11, Hilton Crystal City Hotel, Arlington VA. Details to be announced.

25th Inf. Div. Assn., Sept. 25-Oct. 2, Honolulu, HI. Sarah Krause, PO Box 7, Flourtown, PA 19031. Fax: 215-366-5707; email: TropicLtn@aol.com; website at www.25thida.org

OCTOBER

Korean War Veterans Assn., Details to be announced.

Chapter Scuttlebutt

News from the Chapters of the 1st Marine Division Association

Desert Cities

Honorary member Marilyn Paige, wife of deceased MOH recipient and founder of our chapter, Mitchell Paige, passed away on July 15 2021. Seven chapter members and members of the 7th Marines Regimental Command Staff attended a July 28, 2021 memorial service to honor her.

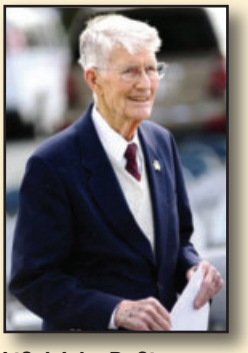
After Col. Paige went to guard the gates of Heaven Marilyn continued in his stead, participating in all chapter activities and supporting the Marine Corps JROTC program at Desert Hot Springs High School, the Marine Corps League, and the Marine Corps Devil Pups program.

She also carried on Col. Paige's strong support of the Marine Corps School of Infantry, and was a frequent guest of honor at class graduations and presenter of the Mitchell Paige award to the outstanding graduate.

Marilyn's devotion to keeping Col. Paige's memory alive was evident in her commitment to so many Marine activities.

Redwood Chapter

Redwood Empire Chapter Changes Name to LtCol John R. Stevens Chapter



LtCol John R. Stevens, 1921 - 2021

As president of the Redwood Empire chapter I request our name to be changed to LtCol John R Stevens Chapter. Col Stevens was a great Marine, and deserves to be recognized as such. The chapter members were unanimous in their decision

Wallace Stewart, baker11usmc@comcast.net

NOTE: John Stevens, one of the FMDA's most active and ardent benefactors, completed his final earthly duty assignment on May 25, 2021 at 10:25 a.m. He was a veteran of Okinawa, China, Pusan, Inchon, and the Chosin Reservoir. His century of life on Earth was a benefit to society in general and the U.S. Marine Corps in particular.

A Sort of Toys for Tots?

This notice appeared in the Madison County [OH] Democrat, April 30, 1954, p.2, and in other newspapers across the United States. It was the basis for "Operation Love," a sort of Toys for Tots program developed in Korea by First Marine Regiment Chaplain Edward R. Martineau.

The division may have left Korea, but it did not forget the people, especially the children. The operation reflected well on the image of the United States Marine Corps in particular and the 1st Marine Division in general. Anyone remember it?

HEADQUARTERS
1ST MARINES, 1ST MARINE DIVISION (REINF), FMF
C-O FPO, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

Dear Friend,

During the past several months packages have continued to arrive for our 1953 Korean Christmas Party. The operation was a decided success in the sense that it was a Christmas Party and over five thousand Korean children and refugees received something for Christmas. The season is long past, of course, but the need continues. That is the purpose of this letter.

The summer months will soon be here. Autumn will follow, and then, once again, the bitter cruel winter season will be back. It is true that we have helped these poor people through one winter. We won't always be here, however, and that is why we are appealing once more for your help.

Korean children are just as rough on clothes as our youngsters back home, but they don't have nearly as much. So with this winter almost past, and a few months in which to gather and distribute more clothing, we'll have this important work done long before the need arises. Will you help us?



This letter is being sent out through members of the First Marine Regiment. This is a First Marine project a long range operation at a time, at a low season of the year free from the Christmas rush. If you can tell even five friends of this project, and even three of these friends send us a box of clothing, you can imagine the tremendous value of the good we can do. We will cement the love and friendship of these people more than ever before.

If you could see the love and gratitude on the faces of those we have already helped, you'd tell a thousand friends you'd do anything! You might use this letter in your local newspaper as has been done before. Any editor will gladly accept this opportunity to help the unfortunate, the war-weary, and the poverty stricken.

Some of these people have lost everything. They have nothing except faith in God and you back home. They know that the Marines are their friends, and we need your help to make them understand even better the principles for which we stand.

EDWARD R. MARTINEAU
Chaplain, U. S. Navy Regimental Chaplain

Anyone remember this project?

Gold Star Mother's Day Tribute

On Gold Star Mother's Day in 2021 Mickey Christiason took his '57 Chevy to a car show and displayed his Fallen Marines Boots and Dog Tags Tribute for 1st CEB KIA in Afghanistan.

"Many veterans, especially Marines, Marine Recruiters, car owners and civilians, complimented me," he said.

No surprise there.



The display in front of Mickey Christiason's car



Mickey Christiason's '57 Chevy

11th Marines in Australia WWII

I am a retired former Commanding Officer of the 11th Marines residing in Australia. I have two questions for the FDMA:

1. I am working on a project with representatives from Ballarat, Victoria and the Ballarat City Council to commemorate the stay of the 11th Marines in Ballarat's Victoria Park from January to September 1943. The goal is to unveil a historical plaque at the new Victoria Park Pavilion during 2023 to mark the 80th Anniversary of the Regiment's stay in Ballarat. We are looking for any material that highlights the interactions between the Marines and local population.

Many Marines and Australian families formed long lasting friendships during the time the Regiment rested and refit in Ballarat. The best information that I have come across has come from letters and diaries/memoirs of Marines who served in the Regiment. Would it be possible to post a message in an upcoming edition of the Old Breed newsletter to request anything that members or their families may have relating to the 11th Marines in Ballarat?

2. At one time there was a FDMA Chapter in Australia. Are there any current FDMA members residing Down Under that I might be able to reform a new Australian Chapter with? Additionally, I'd like to invite any FDMA members residing in Australia to our future historical marker dedication in 2023.

Thanks and Semper Fi,

Mike Marletto

P.S. - As long as I've been a FDMA member I've noticed that the newsletter has an incorrectly colored 11th Marines logo. The correct background colors are red and gold, not red and gray. I'd be happy to send you a PDF or JPEG of the 11th Marines logo.

(Col) Michael Marletto USMC (Ret.), Phone: 7605056482, mpmarletto@yahoo.com



The 11th Marines logo

Contributions to the First Marine Division Association

General Fund

• RAYMOND ADAMIEC	1st	100
• SGT WILLIAM B. ADAMS JR	5th	25
• LTCOL WM A. ALLANSON USMC(RET)	76th	15
• LTCOL WM A. ALLANSON USMC(RET)	77th	25
• LTCOL WM A. ALLANSON USMC(RET)	78th	30
• COL EDGAR M. BAIR USMC(RET)	5th	25
• LCPL JEFFREY H. BARKER	3rd	10
• SGT LEW R. BARNES	3rd	2000
• SGT DONALD A. BAUMANN SR	1st	25
• SSGT JAMES I. BEALE IV	1st	10
• CPL KENNETH C. BECKER SR	12th	25
• SGT BOB BELZ	3rd	20
• SGT DENNIS M. BEST USMC(RET)	4th	30
• PFC RONALD R. BIERMANN	2nd	20
• SGT JOHN M BIRMINGHAM	2nd	250
• SSGT CLYDE O. BLACK	2nd	30
• SGT FORREST D. BLAIR	5th	25
• CPL BARRY A. BLUE	8th	30
• PFC WAYNE C. BONKOSKY	4th	10
• LCPL DAVID DAMIEN BRADY	2nd	10
• PHM2 FREDERICK R. BRIDGES	2nd	30
• SGT PAUL D. BUNNELL	8th	100
• SGT GORDON J. BURZINSKI	4th	30
• CPL FRANK T. BUSCHBACHER	1st	100
• LTCOL CHARLES W. BUSHAR III	3rd	30
• CHARLES W. CALLAN In memory of Kyle W. Callan	1st	20
• CPL CLARENCE C. CAMERON	3rd	10
• CPL JOSEPH R. CARBAJAL	5th	60
• SSGT DAVID M. CARRASQUILLO USMC(RET)	1st	20
• COL JEFFREY L. CASPERS	2nd	50
• SGT FOGEL R. CAVIN JR	7th	50
• CENTRAL FLORIDA CHAPTER	9th	350
• CENTRAL FLORIDA CHAPTER	11th	1,313.69
• JOHN CESARIO	1st	30
• PATRICK A. CHADWICK	3rd	10
• SGT PAUL A. CHANDLER	4th	25
• SGT TED J. CHASTNEY	4th	25
• SSGT ARTHUR M. CHEEK USMC(RET)	13th	60
• MAJ CAMILO CHINEA	1st	160
• CWO4 BARBARA CHOVANEC	1st	25
• REV. SAM (YOUNG) Y. CHUNG	3rd	100
• MGYSGT W. A. CHURCHILL JR	1st	100
• CPL DAVID R. CLARK	6th	100
• SGT MICHAEL CLEARY	1st	100
• SSGT MARK E. CLEAVES	2nd	100
• SGT GENO H. CLEMANS	1st	25
• SGT JOHN C. COLE	11th	50
• COLORADO RIVER CHAPTER	31st	300
• SGT MERLE L. COMMONS	5th	50
• GREGORY CORRALES	2nd	30
• CPL JERRY CORRENTO SR	1st	100
• BRENDA A. CUMMINGS	5th	100
• PATRICK CURTIS	1st	25
• CAPT KARL E. DAHLBERG	2nd	40
• SGT BERL D. DAHLSTROM	6th	35
• DALLAS CHAPTER	24th	500
• SSGT J. R. DASHNER	2nd	5
• HM3 DOUGLAS J. DECKER	17th	100
• SGT FRANK W. DEFINA	5th	10
• SGT GIL DELAPENA	3rd	20
• HOWARD E. DENTON	12th	200
• HOWARD E. DENTON	13th	200
• CPL RON P. DEVASTO	6th	500
• LCPL JOHN J. DEVINE	2nd	100
• PFC RONALD F. DIBIASE	2nd	5
• MARK J. DION	1st	100
• SGT RICHARD J. DOBSON	38th	5
• SGT RICHARD J. DOBSON	39th	10
• SGT PAUL WILLIAM DOLPH	1st	25
• BGEN MICHAEL P. DOWNS USMC(RET) In Memory of all deceased Marines and Corpsman who served with F-2-5 in Vietnam	14th	100
• HM2 STEPHEN C. DULIN	2nd	100
• COL STEVEN G. EASTERDAY USMC(RET)	4th	40
• COL STEVEN G. EASTERDAY USMC(RET)	5th	50
• LCDR DAVID M. EBBITT MD	10th	50
• 1STSGT ROBERT D. EMME	6th	20
• SGT RAMON ESTRADA	1st	80
• PFC GOLDA FAYE FABIAN	3rd	50
• HM2 EARL FISHER	5th	15
• MRS LAURA FISHER	1st	15
• CPL GLEN F. FOLCO	6th	30
• MSGT CHARLES ALBERT FOSTER	1st	100
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• RONALD P. FRECHETTE	2nd	30
• SGT WILLIAM A. FREEMAN JR	3rd	100
• PHM3 MEREDITH W. FRY PE	9th	20
• 1STSGT GEORGE E. GALVAN USMC(RET) In Honor of All Marines!	88th	100
• 1STSGT GEORGE E. GALVAN USMC(RET) To Honor the Association Admin Staff	89th	100
• 1STSGT GEORGE E. GALVAN USMC(RET) In Honor of All Marines	90th	100
• 1STSGT GEORGE E. GALVAN USMC(RET) In memory of my wife Gaye L. Galvan	91st	100
• 1STSGT GEORGE E. GALVAN USMC(RET)	92nd	10
• 1STSGT GEORGE E. GALVAN USMC(RET) In memory of John Loomis	93rd	100
• 1STSGT GEORGE E. GALVAN USMC(RET) In Honor of All Marines	94th	100
• 1STSGT GEORGE E. GALVAN USMC(RET) In Honor of all the new Officers of the FMDA	95th	200
• 1STSGT GEORGE E. GALVAN USMC(RET) In Honor of All Marines	96th	200
• 1STSGT GEORGE E. GALVAN USMC(RET) To Honor All Retired Marines	97th	200
• 1STSGT GEORGE E. GALVAN USMC(RET) In remberance of my wife Sgt Gaye L. Galvan	98th	200
• 1STLT MICHAEL L. GALYEAN	19th	200
• CPL JAMES (JIM) A. GERACIMOS	15th	50
• CPL EARL C. GERHEIM	6th	50
• MAJ JASON G. GILBERT	1st	100
• COL FRANK E. GILLESPIE	5th	100
• PFC DENNIS C. GILLETTE	1st	30
• CPL ARTHUR G. GOFF JR	26th	80
• CPL DAVID A. GOODFIELD	16th	100
• COL JOAQUIN C. GRACIDA	8th	300
• CPL JAY L. GRAHAM	5th	50
• 1STSGT BILLY F. GRAY	1st	5
• HMC JAMES A. GREENOUGH	2nd	15
• CPL LOUIS M. GREGORI	7th	50
• SSGT ROBERT E. GRIFFIN	4th	100
• ALFRED J. GROOS	6th	10

• CPL GEARY A. GUERRA	2nd	100
• GYSGT RICHARD L. HALL USMC(RET)	17th	20
• CAPT STEPHEN S. HANWAY	18th	100
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• CAPT STEPHEN S. HANWAY	20th	1000
• SGT JOHN E. HARRISON JR USMC(RET)	11th	100
• MR. PATRICK J. HART	1st	15
• SGT ELMER J. HAWKINS	39th	350
• PFC PETER N. HEALY	4th	100
• PFC PETER N. HEALY	5th	100
• SGT WILLIAM A. HEROLD USMC(RET)	1st	100
• CPL WALTER JAMES HIBARGER	2nd	100
• MRS MARGARET HOGAN In Memory of my husband, Sgt. Harry W. Hogan	6th	100
• SGTMAJ ROBERT W. HOLUB (RET)	2nd	100
• PFC LAWRENCE W. HUDGENS In Memory of Cold War Veterans	16th	100
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• IBM EMPLOYEE SERVICES CENTER	143rd	1
• 1STSGT MICHAEL J. JACOBS (RET)	1st	50
• SGT DONALD C. JOHNSON	9th	50
• DENISE JOHNSTON	2nd	100
• SSGT NATHAN K. JOHNSTON	2nd	30
• SGT RALPH EDWARD JOY	9th	100
• 1STSGT RUSSELL W. KAUFFMAN USMC(RET)	9th	150
• SGT MICHAEL J. KAVANAUGH	3rd	30
• MR. GERALD D. KEFFER	6th	20
• CPL CHARLES W. KEITH	34th	60
• SGT JAMES F. KIRBY	16th	65
• SGT SIDNEY E. KIRK	9th	100
• SSGT GEORGE M. KLENK	3rd	10
• SGT DONALD E. KRAMPE	2nd	10
• E2-CWO4 DONALD B. KREITZ	4th	10
• CPL ERIC L. KURTZ	69th	10
• HM2 ROBERT M. KURTZ	17th	65
• LCPL CHARLES P. LANDT III	4th	50
• CPL RICHARD L. LARGE	7th	25
• SGT MICHAEL C. LASWELL	3rd	30
• CPL JAMES T. LAUBACH	10th	150
• MYRON J. LEISTLER	10th	100
• WILLIAM LEJEUNE	1st	50
• CAPT WILLIAM N. LINDSAY III	4th	20
• MAJ LEONARD P. LINKES	2nd	30
• ART LITTLEFIELD	2nd	100
• SGT DAVID J. MACKIN	7th	50
• SGT DUANE L. MAGNAN	17th	40
• CPL TED G. MANIATES	2nd	50
• SGT JOHN E. MANSFIELD	99th	25
• SGT JOHN E. MANSFIELD	126th	26
• SGT JOHN E. MANSFIELD	127th	26
• DAVID A. MARSHALL	12th	30
• MAJ DAVID E. MARVIN	1st	20
• SGT JOHN M. MATTHEWS	3rd	50
• MRS ALICE MAXWELL In memory of my husband Sgt Robert C Maxwell. He loved the Marines!	1st	100
• CPL DONALD F. MCCARTY	1st	25
• CPL JOHN J. MCCORMICK	1st	30
• SSGT CHARLES E. MCHANEY	13th	100
• SSGT JOHN M. MCKINNEY	4th	5
• LCPL LARRY K. MCMAHAN	1st	25
• D. (MAC) G. MCWILLIAMS	1st	25
• 1STSGT RAYMOND W. MEANEY USMC(RET)	28th	100
• CAPT GEORGE B. MEEGAN USMC(RET)	2nd	20
• 1STLT GREGORY E. MELNICK JR	14th	65
• 1STLT GREGORY E. MELNICK JR	15th	100
• 1STLT GREGORY E. MELNICK JR	16th	65
• BARBARA MEYERS	1st	100
• SGT WILLIAM J. MICHELL	3rd	100
• CPL RICHARD (MOON-MAN) B. MOONEY	30th	100
• 1STSGT CARL R. MORTENSON USMCR	1st	10
• E-5 DIRK P. MOSIS III	17th	250
• COL JOE N. MUELLER USMC(RET)	5th	200
• CPL RALPH E. MUSSEHL	5th	10
• NEW YORK CHAPTER	11th	200
• NEW YORK CHAPTER	12th	100
• FRANCIS R. NINER	2nd	20
• SGT MICHAEL S. NOA	1st	200
• MAJ CHARLES H. NOBLE JR	3rd	100
• CAPT CHRISTOPHER W. O'NEIL	8th	50
• CPL JAIME L. OBRECHT	14th	15
• CPL JAIME L. OBRECHT	15th	25
• SGT GILBERT L. OLSON	19th	25
• SGT AARON R. PARKER	1st	25
• SGT DWIGHT E. PAULEY	8th	100
• CPL HENRY B. PEREZ	1st	20
• MGYSGT CHARLES D. PICKERING	39th	25
• MGYSGT CHARLES D. PICKERING	40th	25
• MGYSGT CHARLES D. PICKERING	41st	25
• SGT VITO P. PILEGGI	4th	20
• CAPT LEONARD POLLOCK USMC(RET)	1st	20
• CPL MIKE POMAKIS	3rd	20
• MGYSGT KENNETH J. POPP	5th	5
• CPL JAMES E. PRECOUR In Memory of my Marine Corp buddy, James Mortensen	12th	100
• LCPL STEVEN H. PURDY	1st	10
• SSGT JOHN J. RACINE USMC(RET)	1st	30
• CPL DAVID P. RAIMO	2nd	10
• LCPL JAMES D. REARDON	8th	165
• SSGT JERRY P. REED	8th	60
• SSGT BENJAMIN MS REID	2nd	25
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• SSGT BENJAMIN MS REID	4th	25
• SGT DONALD D. RENNIE	7th	100
• SGT ARTHUR C. RINARD	3rd	30
• CPL WALTER F. RIORDAN	1st	20
• MSGT STEPHEN R. RISCH USMC(RET)	14th	50
• SGT HAROLD T. RITTER	4th	20
• CPL RICHARD J. ROBBINS	20th	50
• LCPL R. J. ROBERTS	5th	50
• PFC WILLIAM M. RODESCHIN	3rd	10.00
• DANIEL G. ROTAR	2nd	20
• 1STLT PETE M. SANDRO	9th	20
• CPL ROGER T. SANFORD	1st	500
• MAJ JOHN E. SCHOON	3rd	1.00
• CPL FRANCIS T. SCHULZE	2nd	20
• LTCOL MICHAEL A. SCHWARZKOPF	18th	50
• CPL CARL F. SCOTT	21st	50
• SGT DONALD M. SELF	1st	10
• CPL DAVID W. SENNEKE	1st	25
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The Battle of Cape Gloucester...

...was fought in the Pacific theater of World War II between Japanese and Allied forces on the island of New Britain, Territory of New Guinea, between 26 December 1943 and 16 January 1944. Codenamed Operation Backhander, the U.S. landing formed part of the wider Operation Cartwheel, the main Allied strategy in the South West Pacific Area and Pacific Ocean Areas during 1943–1944.

It was the second landing the U.S. 1st Marine Division had conducted during the war thus far, after Guadalcanal. The objective of the operation was to capture the two Japanese airfields near Cape Gloucester that were defended by elements of the Japanese 17th Division.

The main landing came on 26 December 1943, when U.S. Marines landed on either side of the peninsula. The western landing force acted as a diversion and cut the coastal road near Tauali to restrict Japanese freedom of movement, while the main force, landing on the eastern side, advanced north towards the airfields. The advance met light resistance at first, but was slowed by the swampy terrain which channeled the U.S. troops onto a narrow coastal trail.

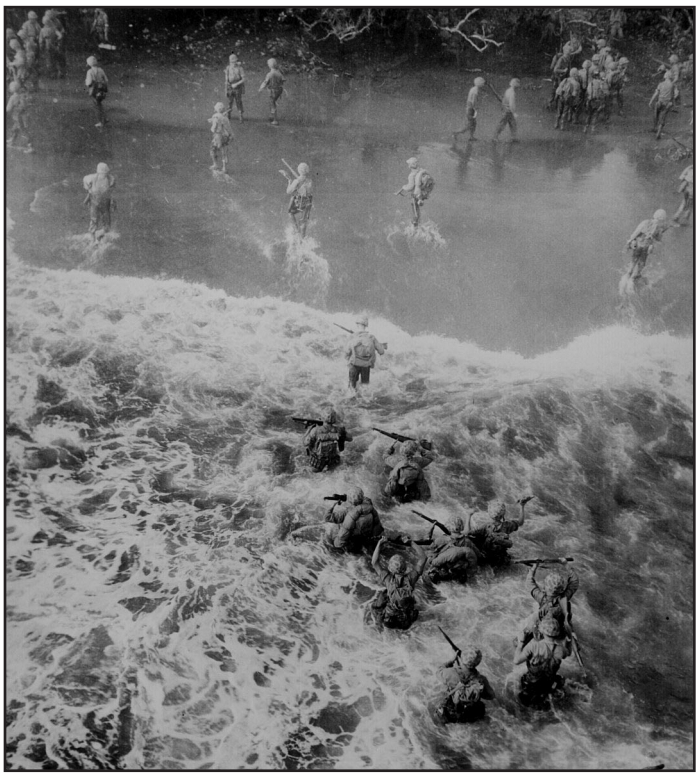
A Japanese counterattack briefly slowed the advance but by the end of December, the airfields had been captured and consolidated by the Marines. Fighting continued into early January 1944 as the U.S. troops extended their perimeter south from the airfields towards Borgen Bay.

Organized resistance ceased on 16 January 1944 when U.S. troops captured Hill 660; however, mopping up operations in the vicinity continued into April 1944 until the Marines were relieved by U.S. Army forces.

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Marines of the 1st Marine Division board LCI(L)-340 a day before Christmas, 1943 at Oro Bay, New Guinea. These men would land at Cape Gloucester, New Britain.



Marines hit three feet of rough water as they leave their LST to take the beach at Cape Gloucester, New Britain, December 26, 1943.



The men of Company C, 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines returning to base with captured Japanese flags after 23 days on the line. This was during the Battle of Cape Gloucester, on the island of New Britain. January 14th or 15th 1944.

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8DEF WWII
VISALIA, CA
1/3/2010

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I/M-3-1 WWII
SAN ANTONIO, TX
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L-3-7 WWII
GROVETOWN, GA
10/16/2016

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1-11MAR WWII KO VN
OCEANSIDE, CA
5/2/2012

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1ARMAMPH KO
ORINDA, CA
8/29/2006

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1MAW WWII
WOODLAND HILLS, CA
9/3/2005

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4.2-1-1 HQ-2-1 KO
ROCKLIN, CA
4/27/2017

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HATBORO, PA

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2/15/2015

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1MAW WWII KO
SUN CITY WEST, AZ
2/28/2009

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H&S-1 KO
FOUNTAIN HILLS, AZ
5/2/2010

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F-2-5 1ST MED BN KO
DAMASCUS, OR
4/15/2021

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STORRS MANSFIELD, CT
11/26/2014

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HUDSON, FL
1/15/2007

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MECHANICSVILLE, VA
12/19/2012

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DIV RECON KO
SHERMAN OAKS, CA
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BEDFORD, NH
1/20/2021

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COOKEVILLE, TN
3/30/2019

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9/16/2021

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5RDRS K-3-5 WWII
SCOTTSDALE, AZ
4/3/2021

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7TH MARINES
ALEXANDRIA, VA
2/3/2020

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COARSEGOLD, CA
7/18/2020

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H&SBTRY WWII CH KO
JUPITER, FL
7/31/2020

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ANGLICO-1-5MAR KO
MONROE TWP, NJ
12/27/0219

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9DEF SPL WPNS WWII
BOSTON, MA
11/13/2020

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3-5MAR KO VN
TUSCOLA, IL
7/31/2017

NORMAN HUBERT FENTON
LEWISTON, ID
8/7/2021

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I-3-7 B-7MT KO
SAINT LOUIS, MO
1/18/2014

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HQ-1SIG MABS31 KO
WHEELERSBURG, OH
10/7/2015

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A-1-5 KO
HAMILTON, NJ
12/28/2008

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WPNS-1MAR WPNS-3-1 CH KO
CODY, WY
7/15/2015

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1-3-3
SUBIACO WEST AUSTRALIA ,
5/26/2018

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1ST MAR DIV 9TH ENG BN FMF
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K-3-5 B-1-9 VN
WATERLOO, IA
11/8/2019

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WETHERSFIELD, CT
8/31/2010

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HQ-1-1 WWII CH
COMMERCE, CA
1/7/2019

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H-3-11 VN
SUNDANCE, WY
11/7/2019

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ANGLICO-3-1 KO
WESTWOOD, NJ
10/18/2011

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SIGNAL KO
BRISTOL, CT
10/10/2009

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NEW PHILADELPHIA, OH
1/17/2016

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C/B-1-1 HQ WWII KO
PENSACOLA, FL
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KENT, OH
8/16/2009

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B-3-1 1TK KO
NORA SPRINGS, IA
7/4/2014

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WPNS-1-1 KO
FREDERICTON NB,
7/31/2009

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SAINT CLOUD, FL
7/7/20163

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A-1-7 KO
LOS LUNAS, NM
9/12/2019

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B-1-1 MAW CH KO
TURTLE CREEK, PA
10/4/2014

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F-2-7 KO
BAKERSFIELD, CA
3/27/2018

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CONROE, TX
1/14/2017

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HQ-1-5 WWII CH
LAKE CITY, MI
2/2/2002

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C-1-1 WWII
MOBILE, AL
6/4/2002

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G-2-5
NINE MILE FALLS, WA
4/8/2013

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B-1RECON VN
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01/19/2022

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SAGINAW, MI
6/15/2009

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LEITCHFIELD, KY
11/16/2014

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WINTER PARK, FL
7/14/2021

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MARDET KO
HOT SPRINGS, AR
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H&S-3-7 A-1AMPHIB KO VN
SEABROOK, NH
5/13/2006

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C-1-1 KO
DEL CITY, OK
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LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA
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H-2-5 VN
BROOKLYN, NY
7/17/2017

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WEBSTER, TX
1/24/2018

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EAST FALMOUTH, MA
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MARSHALLTOWN, IA
6/4/2019

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4/6/2009

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DUBLIN, OH
10/11/2013

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BLAIR, WI
2/19/2018

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7/1/2016

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SIOUX FALLS, SD
4/23/2010

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NAPERVILLE, IL
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ADDISON, IL
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12/17/2016

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2/11/2007

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APPLETON, WI
8/11/2012

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TUCSON, AZ
3/11/2015

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BIRMINGHAM, AL
3/19/2016

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LAS CRUCES , NM
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POMPTON PLAINS, NJ
7/16/2016

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1SVC KO
ROSEBORO, NC
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SARASOTA, FL
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AGAWAM, MA
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D-2-1 A-1-2 KO
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ANDERSON, SC
10/30/2017

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SAN MARCOS, CA
10/9/2012

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B-1-7 CH KO
CORPUS CHRISTI, TX
10/15/2008

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E CO TANKS
VENTURA, CA
1/2/2018

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7MAR WWII CH KO
LAKEWOOD, CA
4/2/2010

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FREETOWN, IN
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VMF-122 1MAW WWII
BEDMINSTER, NJ
7/29/2013

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COEUR D'ALENE, ID
4/19/2019

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CORPUS CHRISTI, TX
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AMTRAC KO
NEW LENOX, IL
9/10/2002

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D-2-7 KO
GAINESVILLE, FL
7/30/2019

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M-3-1 WWII
MYSTIC, CT
7/27/2006

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1CSG KO
LINCOLN, MA
5/7/2012

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H-3-5 F-2-7 KO
POLLOCK, LA
9/30/2016

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Lauderdale Lakes, FL
9/8/2008

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M-3-1 WWII
SPRINGFIELD, MA
10/25/2004

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I-3-5 KO
BRUNSWICK, ME
11/26/2016

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G-3-5 KO VN
WILLMAR, MN
11/20/2015

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LENEXA, KS
9/11/2018

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A-1-1 WWII
BRIDGETON, NJ
6/26/2008

THOMAS J. GAVIN
1/22/2006

WILLIAM J. GAVIN
ANGLICO-1-1 KO
WESTWOOD, MA
9/15/2015

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D-2-11 KO
SPRINGFIELD, MA
1/6/2006

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1 CSG KO
LAS VEGAS, NV
12/3/2013

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E-2-1 WWII
PERRY, GA
8/1/2014

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F-2-7 WWII KO VN
DUMFRIES, VA
4/13/2007

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SVC-1ENGR KO
SANTA MARGARITA, CA
3/31/2014

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G-2-7 WWII CH
LILLIAN, AL
6/19/2013

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LST-859 SUPP 1ST MAR DIV OKINAWA INVAS
LONGMEADOW, MA
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WELLSBURG, IA
1/1/2008

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4JASCO -3-5 WWII CH
CATHEDRAL CITY, CA
6/5/2010

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SANTA CLARA, CA
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GREENVILLE, TX

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HUNTSVILLE, AL
8/21/2007

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LENOIR, NC
3/8/2011

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KENSINGTON, NH
8/7/2016

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SACRAMENTO, CA
9/26/2005

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A-3 AMTRAC KO
PINEHURST, ID
4/25/2013

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B-1TK KO
CHELSEA, MA
6/14/2020

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NAPA, CA
2/11/2019

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NORTH ROYALTON, OH
6/20/2017

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APA-4 WWII
TEMECULA, CA
9/27/2006

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D-2-7 KO
MONROE, MI
12/19/2013

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A-1-1 KO
GREEN BAY, WI
4/27/2015

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HQ-1-11 KO
RAPID CITY, SD
7/1/2017

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ORDSVC EOD WWII
MIAMI, FL

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RICHMOND, TX
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SILVER SPRING, MD

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DALLAS, PA
5/9/2007

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BEDFORD, NH
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3/23/2021

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LITCHFIELD, MN
7/14/2013

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HQ-HQ KO
BRACKETTVILLE, TX
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BELSPRING, VA
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H-3-7 CH
LOVELAND, OH
9/8/2012

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HQCO 1-7
SAN MATEO, CA
7/9/2015

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TULETA, TX
1/14/2009

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BOONE, IA
2/18/2015

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3/10/2020

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TUCSON, AZ
1/2/2009

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H-3-7 KO
BOKEELIA, FL
12/19/2019

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HQ-11MAR KO
DEFIANCE, OH
11/1/2020

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SCOTT CITY, MO
1/7/2009

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C-1-7 KO
CUPERTINO, CA
9/11/2017

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MTACS-2 KO
LINCOLN, NE
1/24/2010

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WEST PALM BEACH, FL
12/9/2015

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9/19/2016

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BRENTWOOD, TN
1/19/2020

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FORT MYERS, FL
7/26/2009

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2-1MAR
WALL, NJ
6/2/2018

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B-1-1 WWII KO
CRESCENT, PA
4/2/2004

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C-1-AT CW
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5/2/2008

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10/26/2021

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3/23/2016

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4/12/2010

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8/17/2008

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6/16/2020

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2/21/2013

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F-2-7 KO
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11/8/2008

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5/5/2009

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DORCHESTER, MA
5/27/2014

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2/24/2010

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ROSEDALE, LA
1/2/2005

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PALA, CA
7/15/2014

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B-1-1 B-1MED KO
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4/26/2018

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6/29/2010

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7/13/2005

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4/17/2013

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6/12/2018

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MCELHATTAN, PA
4/26/2019

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WEST DES MOINES, IA
12/13/2009

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10/30/2008

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10/6/2014

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9/21/2008

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1/12/2016

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1/24/2018

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BEAUFORT, SC
5/10/2016

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1CSG KO
BALTIMORE, MD
12/30/2020

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LARAMIE, WY

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E-2-7 KO HQBN VN
OCEANSIDE, CA
9/21/2018

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DETB-1FSG VN
FORT MOHAVE, AZ
4/1/2021

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TOMBALL, TX
7/25/2017

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CARMEL, IN
3/13/2016

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C-1-5 VN
RHINELANDER, WI
3/6/2008

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HQ-2-11 KO
SHOW LOW, AZ
8/17/2020

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A-1-5 WWII
LOS RANCHOS, NM
2/13/2021

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HQ-4-11 KO
FORT MYERS BEACH, FL
11/18/2018

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E-2-7 KO
NASHVILLE, TN
2/2/2009

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HQ-1-11 L-4-11 CW
DALLAS, TX
6/13/2016

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PITTSBURGH, OK
10/24/1995

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MONSON, MA
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1RECON 4-11MAR KO VN
JACKSONVILLE, FL
7/29/2016

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WPNS-3-5 KO
BENTON HARBOR, MI
10/16/2014

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F-2-5 WWII
MESA, AZ
4/16/2003

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HQ-1-5 KO VN
MANDEVILLE, LA
12/6/2017

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E-2-7 VN
BARDSTOWN, KY
6/10/2010

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CHICAGO, IL
9/2/2014

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CARSON CITY, NV
5/29/2008

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1-11MAR WWII CH KO
FOREST HILL, MD
10/15/2018

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O-5-11 H-3-11 WWII
SAN MATEO, CA
10/23/2002

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PAPILLION, NE
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BEAVERTON, OR
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ATLANTA, GA
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GERMANTOWN, OH
12/19/2018

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VN
MISSION VIEJO, CA
6/7/2012

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CURWENSVILLE, PA
8/11/2019

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ZEBULON, NC
1/20/2017

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A-1AMTRAC KO
MOUNT DORA, FL
1/8/2010

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B-1-5 WWII CH
CHULA VISTA, CA

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MCKINNEY, TX
11/12/2017

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FARGO, ND
7/29/2016

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SAWYER, MN
11/23/2011

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MESA, AZ
10/5/2009

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H-3-5 KO
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8/5/2009

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CORSICANA, TX
4/10/2020

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IBERIA , MO
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BROADVIEW HEIGHTS, OH
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SMITHFIELD, UT
5/12/2014

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12/3/2020

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SAINT AUGUSTINE, FL
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EL CAJON, CA
11/2/2005

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PORT SAINT LUCIE, FL
3/11/2013

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WIMBERLEY, TX
11/9/2017

ROBERT L. HAHN
SAINT MARYS, GA
11/11/2013

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11MAR KO
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11/9/2010

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3/15/2019

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HARVARD, IL
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I-3-1 KO
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JACKSONVILLE, FL
7/19/2017

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TITUSVILLE, FL
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RED OAK, TX
6/18/2015

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KINGSPORT, TN
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C-1-1 H&S-3-5 KO VN
ROCKFIELD, IN
6/26/2011

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MT-3-11 KO
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6/7/2019

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SAVANNAH, GA
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PAGE, AZ
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MORENO VALLEY, CA
8/1/2014

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WPNS CO-2-1 KO
SPRING LAKE, MI
11/30/2021

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C-1-7 KO
ROCKAWAY POINT, NY
12/8/2016

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WPN3-3-7 KO
REDFIELD, AR
2/1/2016

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VAN NUYS, CA

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MOUNT LAUREL, NJ
12/29/2012

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GORHAM, ME
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A-1-17 WWII CH
HESPERIA, CA
1/24/2021

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HQ-2-11 KO
ALVIN, TX
1/7/2009

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A-1MED WWII
CENTER HARBOR, NH
10/11/2012

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EDMOND, OK
11/2/2020

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WPNS-3-1 KO
NORTH LAUDERDALE, FL
12/5/2020

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E-2-7 KO
EVERETT, WA
3/26/2020

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E-2-11 KO
DALTON, GA
6/2/2014

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BATON ROUGE, LA
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GAINESVILLE, GA

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MACS7 VNF115 WWII CH KO
SAN CLEMENTE, CA
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SCANDIA, MN
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A-1-5 KO
NEWTON, MA
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CENTRALIA, WA
8/16/2010

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04/28/2021

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H-3-5 4PROV RKT- 11MAR WWII CH KO
PORTER, TX
6/27/2019

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BANDERA, TX
7/23/2009

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BIRMINGHAM, AL
9/23/2013

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HEEVER SPRING, AR
1/28/2017

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WESTFIELD, NJ
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4/20/2008

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01/10/2021

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TOMAH, WI
11/3/2014

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12/13/2015

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2/25/2021

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F-2-7 WWII CH
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11/8/2012

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VANCOUVER B.C.,
4/15/2012

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H-2-1 WWII
EGG HARBOR TWP, NJ
7/16/2001

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H&S-11th MAR KO
SPRING LAKE, NJ
4/20/2015

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CLARKSBURG, WV
5/25/2015

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G-3-5 KO
DUBUQUE, IA
6/1/2021

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A-1TK KO
SAN MARCOS, CA
2/13/2009

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G-2-5 WWII
CLINTON, NY
1/4/2021

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H&S-1TK WWII CH
MESA, AZ
9/18/2015

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CARLSBAD, CA
7/12/2013

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1ST ORD BN KO
CORPUS CHRISTI, TX
1/17/2021

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12/17/2008

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9DEF WWII
NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA
6/23/2007

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1MARDIV CH
ELKHART, IN
11/10/2002

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MUSKEGON, MI
2/11/1921

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F-2-7 WWII
PERTH AMBOY, NJ
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H&S-1-5 KO
HIGHLAND, IL
11/7/2016

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H-3-7 KO
NEWBURGH, NY
11/18/2020

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F-2-5 WWII
WEST HILLS, CA
2/8/2017

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23RECON WWII
BULLHEAD CITY, AZ
10/26/2012

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HQ-3-1 WWII CH
LAKE CITY, FL
9/29/2011

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K-3-7 WWII
ANAHEIM, CA
6/12/2012

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F/G-2-7 WWII KO
GREAT FALLS, MT
12/15/2009

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SUP-1CSG KO
CRANDALL, TX
3/16/2020

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4JASCO WWII
THOUSAND OAKS, CA
8/27/2015

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PITTSTOWN, NJ
10/18/2020

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D-1-5 VN
ARNOLD, MO
2/12/2010

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GRESHAM, OR
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WHITING, NJ
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1SVC 1MAR WWII KO
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MAG11 WWII
SAINT ALBANS, VT
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L-3-7 WWII
PALM DESERT, CA
11/18/2020

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G-2-5 WWII
SAN DIEGO, CA
12/25/2017

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THE VILLAGES, FL
12/20/2021

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EDINA, MN
11/25/2020

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F-2-1 WWII
WAUBUN, MN
11/1/2009

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1-5MAR 1ENGR WWII KO
MANCHESTER, NJ
2/11/2010

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I-3-2 WWII
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DES PLAINES, IL

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LAKEWOOD, CA
1/3/2009

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EAST FALMOUTH, MA
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CRESTWOOD, IL
9/14/2015

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9/15/2007

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DIV RECON CO KO
PEWAUKEE, WI
3/30/2021

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E-2-5 KO
SEMINOLE, FL
5/24/2021

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D-2-11 WWII KO
FLINT, MI
4/26/2014

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HQ-HQ KO
SCHAUMBURG, IL
12/31/2019

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A/C-1-11 KO
HARRISON, TN
07/27/2019

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ANN ARBOR, MI
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9/4/2019

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ROGERS, AR
3/20/2021

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WELLSBORO, PA
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C-1-1 VN
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6/8/2005

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SPRINGFIELD, VA
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HQ-1-7 HQ-3-11 VN
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3-1 2-1 VN CW
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10/25/2018

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FLORISSANT, MO
1/18/2017

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12/31/2011

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3/14/2021

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CATLIN, IL
5/21/2010

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ROUND TOP, TX
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7/12/2014

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1/29/2009

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10/25/2013

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VENTURA, CA
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3/23/2013

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H-3-5 KO
SAFETY HARBOR, FL
2/4/2012

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COLSTRIP, MT
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WATERTOWN, WI

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B-1-1 I-3-1 KO
CLINTON, MS
4/12/2010

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H&S 2-1 VN
FAIRFAX, VA
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6/30/2015

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1/12/2010

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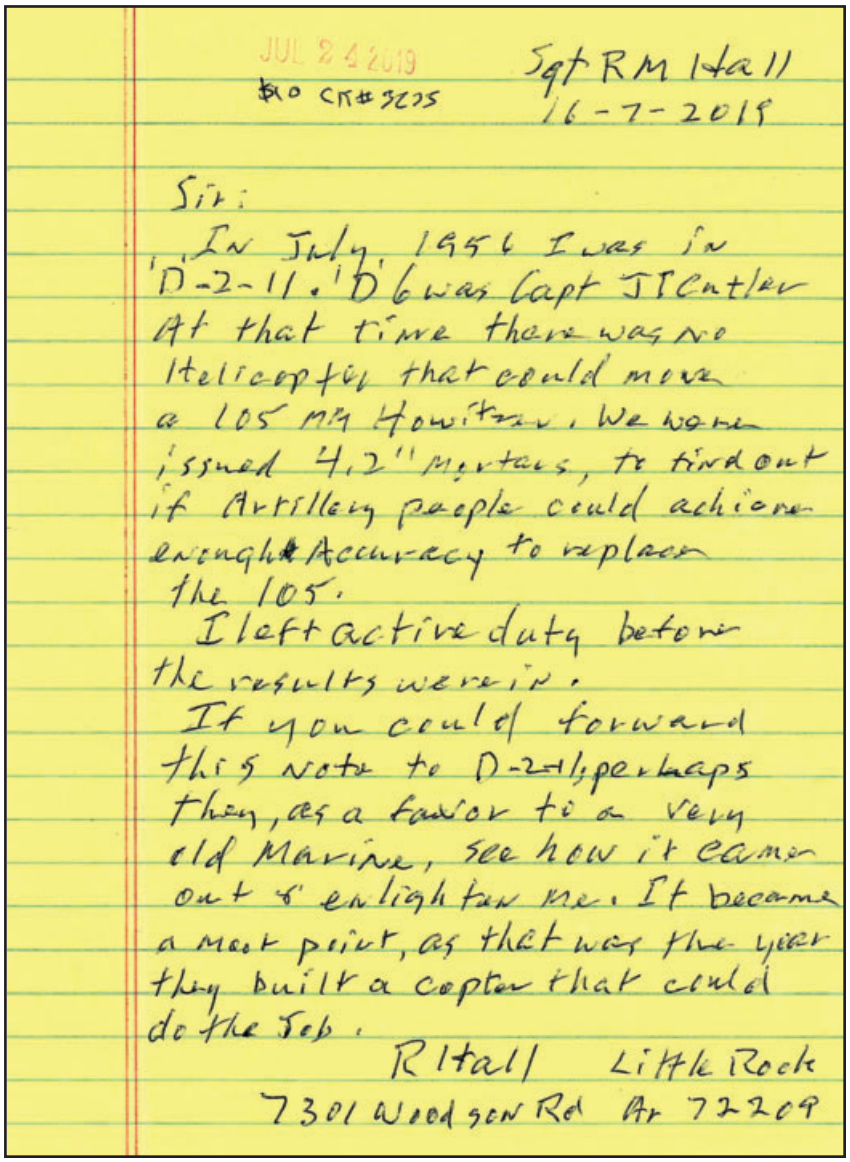
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Sir:

In July 1956 I was in 'D'-2-11. 'D' 6 was Capt JI Cutler At that time there was no Helicopter that could move a 105 mm Howitzer. We were issued 4.2" Mortars, to find out if Artillery people could achieve enought Accuracy to replace the 105.

I left active duty before the results were in.

If you could forward this note to D-2-11, perhaps they, as a favor to a very old Marine, see how it came out & enlighten me. It became a moot point, as that was the year they built a copter that could do the Job.

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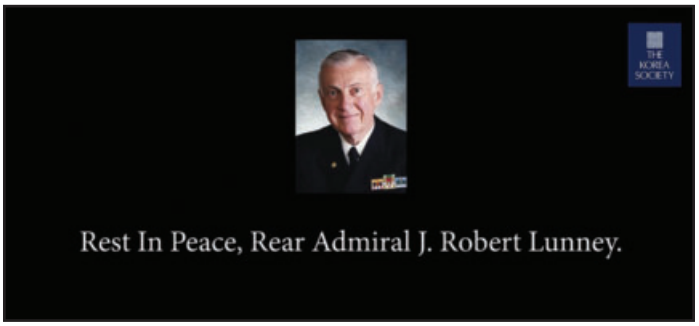
J. Robert Lunney navigates peacefully to the 'Gates of Heaven'

J. Robert Lunney, a Korean War hero, died peacefully on Thursday, March 10, 2022, at age 94. Korean War Marines—indeed, all veterans—will remember him for his role in the Hungnam evacuation following the Battle of Chosin and his efforts to find and repatriate the remains of Americans left behind in Korea.

"Bob" was a Navy veteran of WWII. He enlisted at age and served with the Naval Amphibious Forces, Pacific 1945-46. During the Korean War he served with the Military Sea Transportation Service as a staff officer (Inchon Landing; Hungnam Evacuation). His awards include the Navy Combat Action Ribbon, Merchant Marine Gallant Ship Citation and the Korean Presidential Unit Citation. His Gallant Ship Citation commended him for his courage and resourcefulness in participating in "one of the greatest marine rescues in the history of the world" at Hungnam, North Korea during December 1950.

As Marines will recall, he served on *SS Meredith Victory,* which carried 14,000 refugees to safety from Hungnam. His post-Korean War accomplishments were numerous. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree (1950) from Alfred University, and a Doctor of Law degree (1954) from Cornell. He served five years with the Department of Justice as an Assistant U.S. Attorney, SDNY (1955-1959) and later spent nine years with Shearman & Sterling. He eventually established his own firm, specializing in litigation.

Bob retired from the Navy Reserve as a Captain in 1987 after completing 43 years of service. Following that the Governor of New York promoted him to Rear Admiral in the New York Naval Militia. In 1994 the Navy decorated Admiral Lunney with the Navy Distinguished Public Service Award, the highest form of public service recognition bestowed by the Navy.



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In 1997 and 1998 Admiral Lunney observed joint operations by American and North Korean military personnel in North Korea recovering American war dead and conferred with the North Korean Ministry of Foreign Affairs on POW/MIA issues. All Korean War veterans owe him a gratitude.

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