



The Veterans of Deupree House



**HONORING
ALL WHO
SERVED**

“Never was so much owed
by so many to so few.”

Winston Churchill

thank you

W. Keith Baldwin

1961 - 1967

Enlisted in the 100th division reserve at Frankfort, KY after college. I served 13 months on active duty at Ft Chaffee during the Berlin Crisis.

My last assignment was being a Detachment Sergeant in the 259th Military Intelligence Unit in Cincinnati, OH.

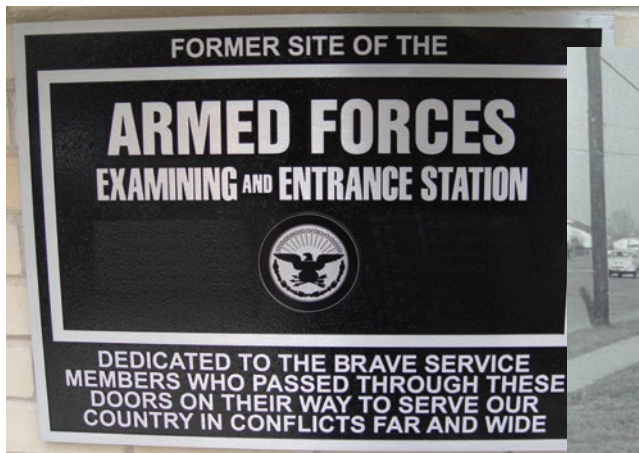
I then declined a direct commission to officer and was honorably discharged June 30, 1967.



David Bayless

Korean - 1956 - 1958

- U.S.N. Sept. '56 to Sept. '58
- No U.S. military active duty at the time.
- Oct. '56 to Sept. '58, Medical Officer, Armed Forces
- Examining Station, New Orleans
- Spent my days examining recruits and draftees.
- My wife and first son were with me.
- I am proud to have served, however I had absolute appreciation and sincere thanks for all those who were actually in a war situation, especially those who did not come home.



Wilson Breiel

WWII - 1943 - 1946

Entered service at age 17 and was assigned to NROTC at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York as apprentice seaman.

Commissioned February 1946 as Ensign and assigned to duty aboard light cruiser USS Montpelier as engineering officer.

Served in Atlantic Theater until discharge following the end of the war with Japan.



Gordon A. Christenson

Korean - 1951 - 1953

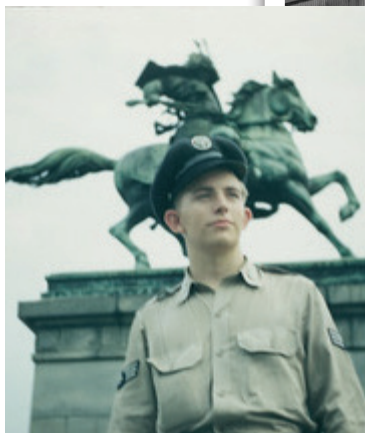
Air Force Reserve - 1954-1967

Active Duty
Recon Intelligence Specialist
Yokota Air Force Base, Japan

Reserve Duty
Intelligence Officer
USAF Reserve 1954-1959 - 1st Lt.
AFJAG Officer - International Law & Affairs
Pentagon 1960-1967 - Captain

Bomb damage assessment reports and surveillance of Soviet shipping through the Kuril Strait.

Guard periphery of Yokota Bomber Base from possible attacks by subversives during the Occupation of Japan after the treaty.



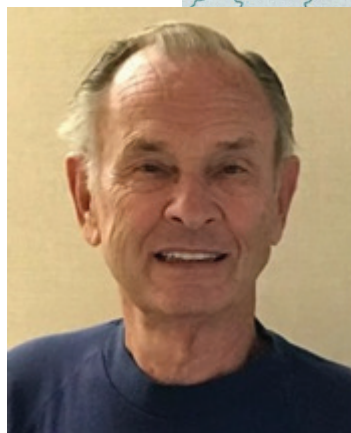
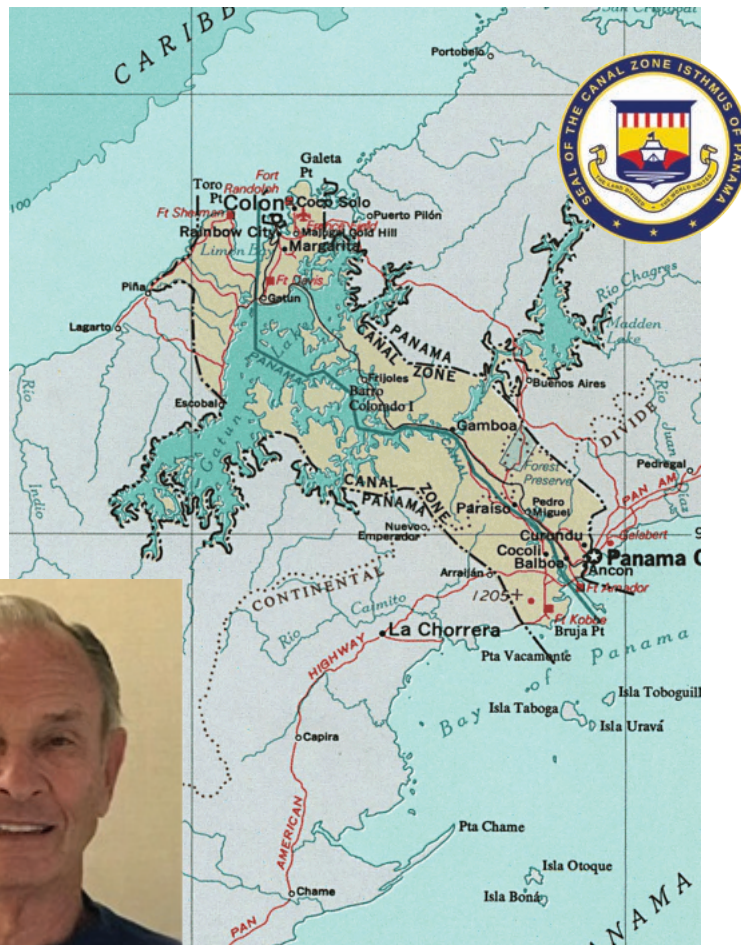
William Cobb

1966 - 1969

Released from duty to attend University of Cincinnati

Served in the Panama Canal zone

Military Occupational Specialty - MOS 984 Security Analyst



Captain Barry Cors

Korean - 1954 - 1957

Went on active duty at the end of the (active) Korean conflict, as a Lieutenant, separated as a Captain. Stationed at Moses Lake Air Force Base, Washington, with the 8th Troop Carrier Squadron. A navigator on a C-124 globemaster, carrying troops and equipment.

Many missions to the DEW Line (Distant Early Warning Line) in Alaska, with heavy construction machinery as cargo. Due to security, could not use electronic navigation equipment which would disclose location of classified sites. Most missions were navigated by dead reckoning, since foul weather obliterated land and sky. Landed and took off on frozen sea ice.

Temporary assignments (TDY) to Pacific Islands and Japan. Also served as a loadmaster and Squadron Adjutant (administrative officer).

While in Training Command, owned a light aircraft and was a licensed pilot.

Song Request:

U.S. Air Force song



Pierson Davis

WWII, Korean -1942 - 1953

Pacific Theater: Oct 24, 1942 – Feb 12, 1946

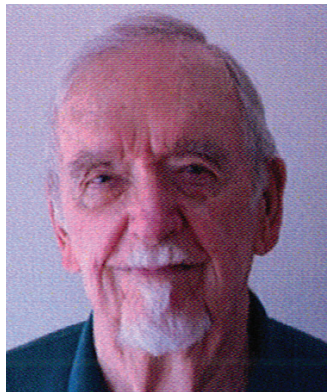
Army Active Reserve: April 30, 1950 – April 3, 1953

My first experience overseas was to ride a Liberty Ship from Townsville, Australia to Lae, New Guinea, our cargo was 500 lbs. bombs. We ran without escort across the Coral Sea.

I was in the Engineers Company in the 23rd Port Battalion at Lae, New Guinea. The ground war was over but we had regular late night air raids. The trick was to listen for the click when the bombs were released. If it was around the 10 o'clock angle – DUCK.

From there I went to Hollandia, Dutch New Guinea. It was secured but my surveying crew suffered sniper fire - no injuries. One night we were watching a news reel of the 11th Airborne making their first combat drop. As the camera followed a chute down there was one of our Engineers sitting on his bulldozed watching the landing.

I was on a troop ship headed to Okinawa from New Guinea. We were being trained for the invasion of Japan. One of the sessions was on the need to shoot children of all ages. As in the Philippines cute little kids would hang around asking, begging for chocolate. In Japan, unlike other places, we were told to throw them a bar. If they kept coming shoot them because they were strapped with explosives. Their purpose was to kill as many GIs as they could. Since the occupation was peaceful that didn't happen.



Walter Faught

WWII -1945 - 1946



1	Wish Me Luck	Gracie Fields	2:58
2	Love is the Sweetest Thing		3:18
3	A Nightingale Song in Berkeley Square	Anne Shelton	3:12
4	When I'm Cleaning Windows		2:52
5	The White Cliffs of Dover	Vera Lynn	3:15
6	Run Rabbit Run	Flanagan & Allen	2:46
7	Adolf		3:00
8	Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy	The Andrews Sisters	2:40
9	Whispering Grass (Don't Tell the Trees)		2:44
10	Kiss Me Goodnight, Sergeant Major	Arthur Askey	2:56
11	Perfidia	Ray Eberle	3:19
12	There'll Always Be an England	Joe Loss	3:03
13	Lili Marlene	Anne Shelton	2:49
14	We Must All Stick Together		3:06
15	Yours [Quiéreme Mucho]	Bob Eberly	3:14
16	It's a Pair of Wings for Me	Nat Gonella	2:47
17	I, Yi, Yi, Yi, Yi (I Like You Very Much)	Carmen Miranda	2:14
18	Begin the Beguine	Artie Shaw & His Orchestra	3:12
19	Amapola Lacalle	Bob Eberly	3:24
20	Obey Your Air Raid Warden	Tony Pastor	2:32
21	The Home-Coming Waltz	Ivy Benson	3:12



Roger Giesel, M.D.

Korean -1955 - 1957

"I'm proud to have served with the U.S. Army from 1955-1957, during the Korean War. I had been deferred 10-12 years after high school graduation for education- for college and medical school.

Became a Doctor, a Captain, in the U.S. Army Medical Corps 1955-1957. Was assigned to the 5th General Hospital in Stuttgart, Germany for two years. Worked as a Pediatrician at this hospital for thousands of military dependent's children.

Received concurrent travel, a perk no longer offered. My wife and son, Roger, traveled with me to Germany in December 1955.

We lived for two years in Field Officer Quarters behind the largest PX in Europe. We had a full-time Czechoslovakian refugee maid living on the third floor. The US Army brought my big Oldsmobile to Germany, sold us gasoline at \$0.14 a gallon at PXs all over Germany.

We used 60 days Leave in these two years to travel all over Europe. I was fortunate to have a safe assignment and did not suffer much during my two years in the military. I am proud to have served but it was not always this easy; I had many military field experiences during this time."



Lt. Don Grant

I was an Army brat from ages 1-19 and joined the Army Reserves at age 21. I served until age 24. I served in the role of Second Lieutenant.



Don Gray

1962 - 1996

Basic training at Ft. Benning

Reserve Unit sent to Ft. Bliss, El Paso, TX - active duty (PFC)

Reserve Duty 1968-1996 - Military Police (2nd Lt.)



Al Harris

Korean -1955 - 1957

Quartermaster corps – Research and Development.

Never left the U.S.A.

Never fired a shot after basic training.

Still happy to have served and feel it was worthwhile.

Most extended assignment was as a cross-country ski instructor in field evaluation of new insulated combat boots.



Donald Hawley

Korean- 1943 - 1952

- U.S. Naval Station in Newport, Rhode Island
- Naval Hospital in Newport, Rhode Island

During World War II in 1943, I was a part of the Navy V-12 program at Mass.Institute of Technology (M.I.T.) and the University of Cincinnati Medical School until the end of WWII.

I remained in the Naval Reserve and was recalled to active duty, Nov. 1950 to Newport, Rhode Island Naval Base Dispensary as a medical officer. I was transferred to the Newport Naval Hospital to run the infectious disease ward, and transferred to Dispensary in Oct. 1952 as the acting senior medical officer. I was discharged from active duty in Nov. 1952.



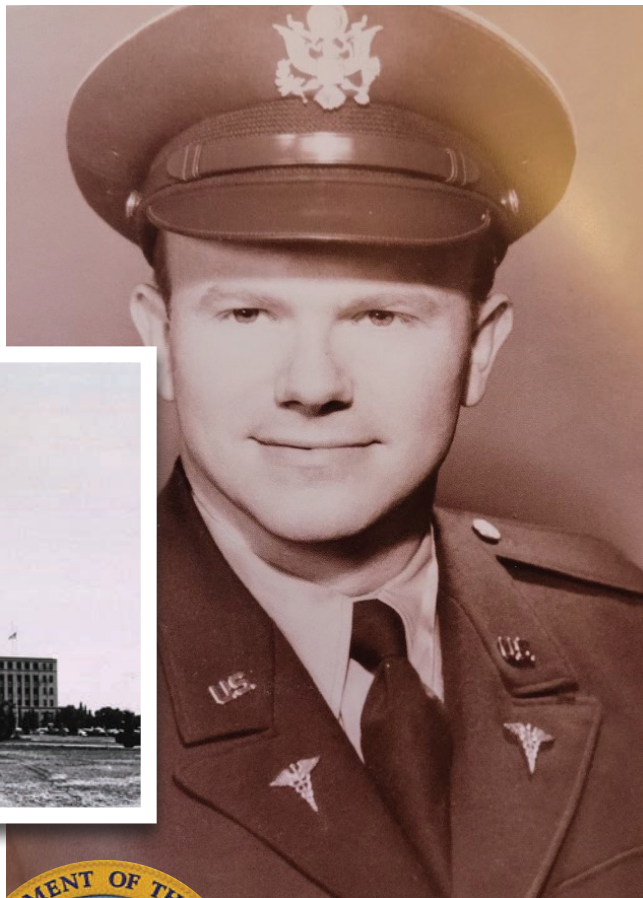
Dr. Robert Hummel

1954 - 1956

I was a Captain at Brooke Army Hospital at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, TX. I was the Chief of the Burn Study section. We were the military burn treatment center caring for those with burn injuries from all branches of the service. WE flew all over the US to pick up patients and transfer them to us for treatment.

I wrote and published 7 research papers on burns during those 2 years.

As a side note, no one ever shouted at me except in basic training! I also never saw any combat experience.



Andrew MacAoidh Jergens

1959 - 1965

U.S. Army Ordnance Corps

Dates of Service: February 27, 1959 to January 16, 1961 (active duty)
January 16, 1961 to January 31, 1965 (reserve to discharge)

I got my draft notice from President Eisenhower. I did my basic training at Fort Ord, California. I was assigned to Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland where I was an Officer Personnel Specialist. I maintained Garrison Officers' pay records and other personnel records.

I was the Aberdeen Soldier of the Month for August 1960 and therefore orderly to the Secretary of the Army (Wilbur Brucker) at his annual conference with defense contractors. I also took part in guard duty at a fireworks explosion in nearby Havre De Grace.

I was awarded the Army Good Conduct Medal and the National Defense Service Medal for my 16 days active duty in 1961.



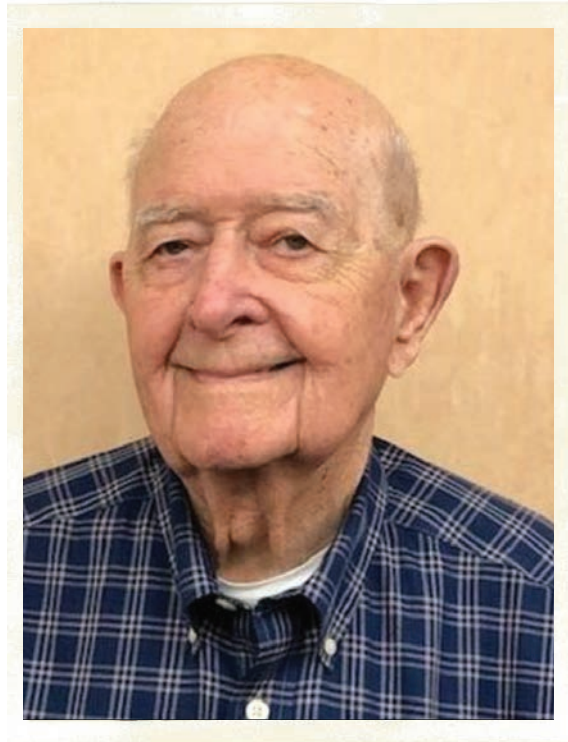
Pictured with Wilbur M. Brucker,
Secretary of the Army.



Robert A Johnston

1944 - 1946

I spent 4 semesters in V12 program at University of Texas, received my commission in the Pacific theatre and served as a Deck and Summary Officer. On two APAs until discharged. I was in Navy Reserve until 1966.



Wally Macaulay

WWII -1943 - 1946

Army Combat Engineer, 1943-1946

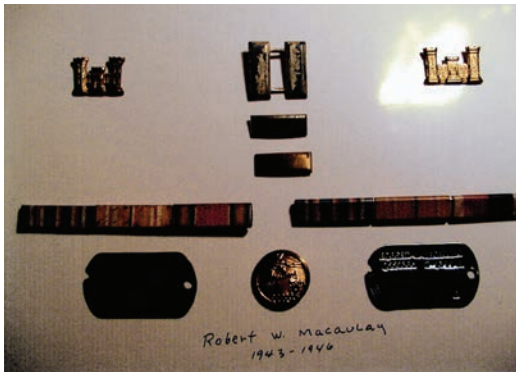
Served in reserves until 1953

"I was a college student studying for an exam when my roommate shouted 'They have bombed Pearl Harbor!' My life was changed forever. I joined the ROTC and was called to active duty in 1943.

After a year of training for the invasion of Japan, my unit, the 1298 Combat Engineer Battalion, sailed on July 30, 1945. On August 6, 1945 Hiroshima was bombed and August 9, Nagasaki. War over!

On September 25, 1945 we landed in Nagasaki and spent three months rebuilding roads and bridges, unaware of the hidden dangers from Residual Radiation. We had a first-hand witness to the awesome power of Atomic weapons.

Never Again!"



Jay Magee

WWII - 1941 - 1946

Enlisted the day after Pearl Harbor.

Basic training was at Parris Island, South Carolina, before shipping out to New Zealand with the 1st Marine Division, 1st Battalion, C Company – “the Old Breed.” Mission was to prepare for the invasion of Guadalcanal in the Solomon Islands.

Fought in the battle of Guadalcanal for 5 months, battling the Japanese and diseases such as Malaria and Jungle Rot.

On 12/28/1942, Company was shipped to Australia, for 6 months of preparation for the Battle of New Britain. Target was a critical Japanese Base and supply depot located on the North end of New Britain. Many soldiers contracted diseases while he remained healthy, and thus available for more missions.

Fought in the battle of Gloucester on the Island of New Britain. Company was assigned to protect the PT boats and tenders, which were located away from HQ. One of the boats was rumored to be carrying the future President Kennedy. While on the island, was called back to HQ by the General. Unsure of what the General wanted, there was no room for argument as the General sent his personal pilot and a small plane to pick him up. Nothing was explained regarding the General's request. Forced to make a wet landing in the Pacific due to Mechanical issues, leaving them in a difficult situation, compounded by the fact the pilot could not swim. Was able to get the pilot to hold on to something floating at the crash site before starting to swim to shore. Could see the island from the crash and after making it to shore, made contact with an islander who swam out to save the pilot. Made it safely, but all his gear, save for his knife, went to the bottom of the Pacific. Command located them and sent a boat to pick them up the following day. nEventually made it back to his company, but never spoke to the General and to this day, has no idea why he was wanted at the base.

Moved to a tiny island consisting only of sand, rocks, and trees; Pavuvu in the Russell Islands. This became the new HQ where they trained for their next mission, another invasion on the island of Peleliu.

After boarding the transport ship for the invasion, received orders to gather gear and get off the boat.

For him, the war was over.



Bob Matthews

WWII - 1943 - 1946

He remained in the service for 30 months, until receiving an Honorable Discharge in 1946.

His assignments were at the University of Vermont, Flight Engineer Training in Mississippi for B-24 Bombers, factory training on propellers, maintaining a propeller shop and flight line maintenance for P-47 fighter squadron.

All of the 30 months of service were spent in the U.S.



Steele F. Mattingly

WWII -1943 - 1946

Army, 1946-1947

All my service was state side and I served 18 months and 6 days, which kept me from being called back for Korea. I was sent to Camp Breckinridge and because I has some college, I was put in charge of a group for the train to Ft. Lewis, Washington where we had basic training. One thing of coincidence was during mail call a fellow Berea college student heard my name and looked me up – What a surprise!! I tried skiing and promised I would never go skiing again. Then I was sent to Ft. Brag, North Carolina and was an MP for the rest of my time. I was scheduled to be sent to Germany when WWII ended.

Hitch hiking was common in the 1940s – One time Steele and a couple of other soldiers had a weekend pass and decided to go to Seattle. A man in a nice car stopped to pick them up and his driving was very erratic. He made a stop for gas and the three of them hid. The man called and looked for them to no avail. The driver must have been intoxicated and the soldiers soon had another offer for a ride.



Bob McCormick

WWII -1944 - 1946

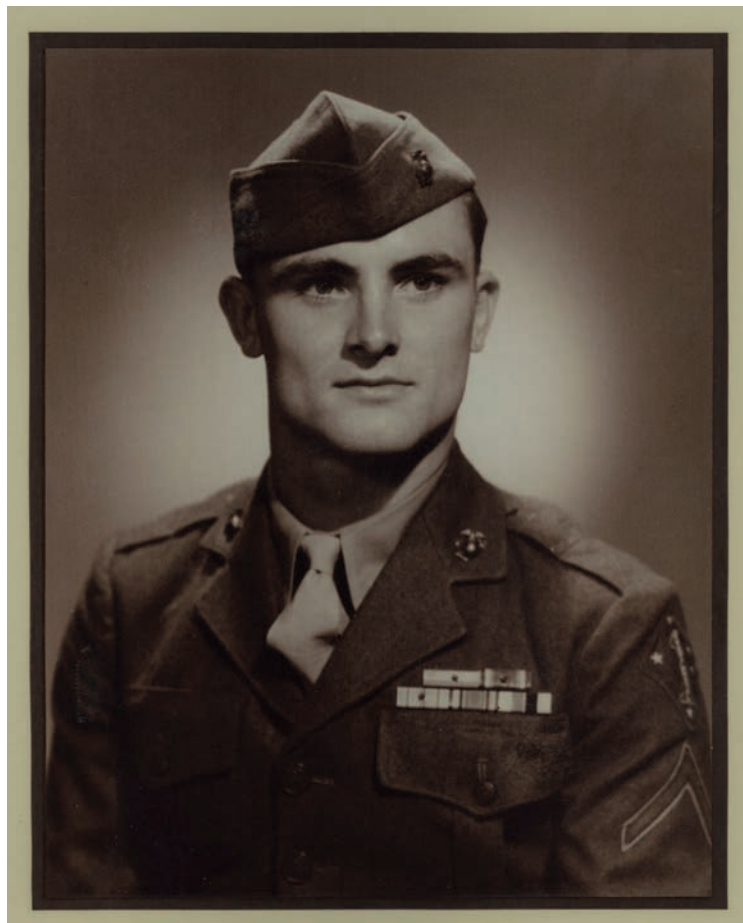
Joined the 1st Marine Division in the Solomon Islands as a replacement.

Participated in the Okinawa campaign.

Participated in the occupation of North China after the Japanese surrendered

Song request:

Home



Earl J. Mills

Korean - 1950 - 1954

I was very fortunate in being assigned to Air Force Headquarters in Wiesbaden, Germany for three years during the Korean War. The work was classified and required long hours, but the rewards were generous. My group leader was a pilot and I was able to be a passenger on his training flights for a C-47 cargo plane. This took us to air bases in several countries on the overnight flights. Including England, France, Norway, and Berlin, Germany. Half of my basic training class went to Korea and I missed the cut-off(alphabetically) by one name. The other half went to Europe. I was very lucky.



Robert Nau

WWII - 1944 - 1946

In August of 1944 at the age of 18 I was drafted into the United States Army. I was sent to Camp Tannin near Tyler, Texas for combat training. After training I was shipped to the Pacific Theater via California and the Golden Gate Bridge. Attached to the America Division and in combat in the Philippines the islands of Cebu and Negros - May - June of 1945.

On September 1 we left Cebu on our way to the Tasakawya Air Base in Japan. We arrived in Tokyo Harbor on September 2 and were the first infantry division arriving 4 hours after the armistice was signed on the Battleship Missouri. There were approximately 300 American and Allied ships in the harbor. It was an awesome sight. Tears were shed.

We were aware the Japanese may still resist. We walked onto Japanese soil with gun safety off prepared to fight. They did not. I stayed in Japan with the occupation force until September 1946.

I was awarded the Bronze battle star medal for the occupation of Japan.



Tom Ottenjohn

Korean - 1952 - 1954

Tom served in the army stateside for 2 years during the Korean War. At Ft. Sill, Oklahoma, he ran a training office for 300-400 men who would be sent all over the world. Orders were sent down to specify military needs in different areas and then he picked names to fill those needs. If there was time, Tom let the men trade assignments. He was also in charge of a barracks of 60-120 men. This is a photo of Tom in his Eisenhower jacket in 1999, 45 years later, while visiting his daughter's family. On the jacket are sergeant's stripes he earned. In the later part of the service. He was promoted to Sergeant E-5.



David Thomas Retford

1955 - 1994

Lieutenant Colonel, United States Army Reserve,
Corp of Engineers

I graduated from Michigan State University in 1955. As a Land Grant university, all male students were at that time required to participate in the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) program during their first two years at MSU. My two older brothers, who had both been in active combat in the military as enlisted men, told me I would be foolish not to get a commission so as to be an officer when I went on active duty (draft was still on then). With this strong encouragement, I completed my last two years at MSU in the Advanced ROTC program and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Army Corp of Engineers upon graduation.

This ROTC commission obligated me to combination of 2 years active and 4 years reserve duty. In 1957 I went on active duty at Fort Belvoir in Virginia, the Corp of Engineers primary training base. The Korean war had just ended and the Army was over staffed with returning Lieutenants. This led to me being given the option of spending only 6 months on active duty but in turn I would be obligated to 8 years in the reserve; I accepted. And I stayed on for 20 more years.

As the years went by I was involved with a number of different Reserve units, most often as the Company Commander. My units included a Combat Engineer Battalion, an Engineering Equipment company and for two years commanding a Transportation Corp Light Boat company located in Muskegon, Michigan. The Light Boat company had the same type of landing craft as were used in the Normandy invasion in 1944.



David Thomas Retford con't.

We trained on the waters of Lake Michigan and as my friends said I had my own fleet of yachts.

In later years I received a Mobilization Designation, meaning I had a specific position I would go to in the event of an all-out mobilization of the Army. These positions were in some civilian run office where in the event of a mobilization there would need to be a military officer “overseeing” the civilians. Mine was with a Mobile Army Surgical Hospital (MASH) support group in St. Louis. The hospital structure itself was an air inflated building, one that could be dropped from a plane, attached to an air compressor and be up in place in a few minutes, ready for the medical staff.

In 1980 I had completed over 20 years of Army Reserve duty and was transferred to the Ready Reserve where I no longer completed active training each year. But I still received orders in January of each year telling me where I was to report in the event of a mobilization. Finally on my birthday in 1994 at the age of 60 I was formally retired. I do subscribe to the saying, “there is a right way, a wrong way and the Army way” to accomplish something. But in retrospect I did enjoy all of my Army years.



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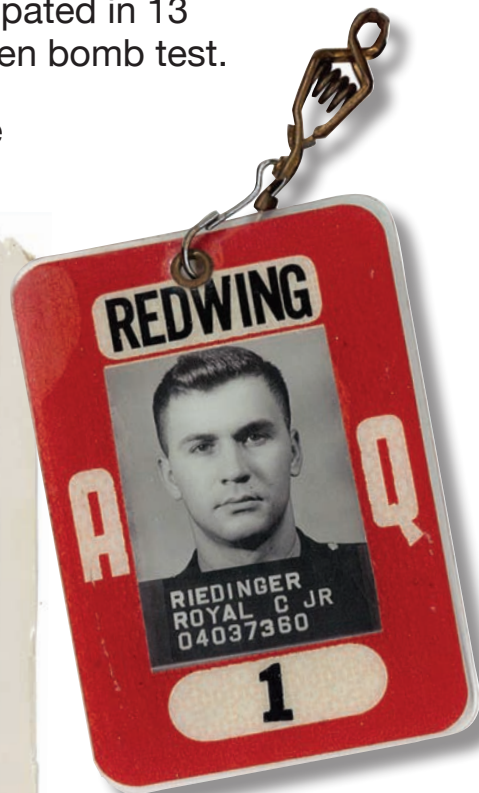
Roy Riedinger

Korean - 1954 - 1956

I was assigned to a unit which was part of the Atomic and Hydrogen bomb testing.

Our mission was to determine the radioactive levels following each detonation and to control access to the contaminated areas. My assignment was to be in charge of the monitoring section which were the first ones to enter the area of the blast and determine the radioactive levels, plot the area on a map and control access. In all I participated in 13 atomic bomb tests and 1 hydrogen bomb test.

These were awesome and I hope I will never witness another.



The Q clearance was an Atomic Energy clearance and considered higher than "Top Secert".



Colonel John Roos

Career - 1956 - 1981

Colonel John Roos served 22 ½ years in the U.S. Navy, the U.S. Marine Corps, and the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves as a Naval Aviator.

He completed flight training in Pensacola, Florida in 1956. He was ordered to MAS-26 in New River, N.C. for duty supporting the 2nd Marine Division in the Atlantic Fleet Marine Force. There he flew helicopters and fixed wing aircraft.

In 1959 the Marine Corps had a “Force Standown” and he transferred to the Marine Corps Ready Reserve. He continued flying at NAS Grosse Ile, Michigan and Selfridge AFB.

Highlights of his senior years in the Reserves were his promotion to Colonel, his completion of the Marine Corps Staff and Command College and Quantico Virginia, duty Commanding Officer of Marine Squadron VMO-4 and his subsequent duty as the Air Officer on the 13th Staff Group supporting the 4th Marine Air Wing. He retired in 1981.



Bill Rowe

WWII-1944 - 1946

Entered Service at NYNY; then 10 weeks of recruit training/boot camp; at U.S. NTC Bainbridge, M.D. 19 weeks Radioman School in Bainbridge, M.D., then 7 weeks pre-comm training in Norfolk, VA

Assigned to U.S.S. Gearing (DD-710) Destroyer at Brooklyn Navy Yard. Ship commissioned May 3, 1945, shortly thereafter the war in Europe ended.

Ship proceeded to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba on shakedown cruise.

Ship returned to Brooklyn Navy Yard to install new equipment to better combat Japanese Kamikaze attacks at Okinawa, which were devastating the destroyer screen.

Ship was in Norfolk, VA as the war in the Pacific ended.

Ship was reassigned to Atlantic Fleet.

Rest of service was spent in training exercises up and down the East Coast, Gulf of Mexico, and the Caribbean.

Song Request:

Moonlight Serenade



V. Amod Saxena

1969 - 1971

- Drafted into the US Army as a captain in Medical Corp. was assigned at the Fort Sam in Houston, Texas at Brooke Medical Center.
- Was responsible to initiate and establish a cancer center in Radiation Therapy and was appointed as its first chief.
- Assigned to train physicians in cancer treatment
- Was appointed as radiation safety committee to safe guard military against radioactive fallout.
- Appointed member of the cancer committee
- Supported and attended to patients in the Emergency Room.
- Honorably discharged in May 1971 and served in the US Army reserve until 1976.



Jack Schmidt

Korean -1953 - 1955

1st Lieutenant.
Supply officer Lockbourne AFB (SAC)



John Srofe

1956-1957



Luckily, I was between wars.
My entire time was spent on board ships. The last ship I was on carried the Admiral. We supplied the DEW line which were radar stations. We went as far north as Point Barrow, Alaska.



Jack Williams

WWII -1943 - 1946

After Pearl Harbor I enlisted in the Army Air Force in 1942 to be trained as a meteorologist. In time I learned the true meaning of the word "SNAFU" and ended up in the summer of 1943 in basic training at the beautiful resort of Atlantic City at the gorgeous Claremont Hotel. That summer we marched and peeled potatoes.

Not knowing what to do with us The Army sent us to ASPT and I landed at Brooklyn Polytech. After one semester we were sent directly into maneuvers in Texas with the 75th Army Infantry Division, then to basic training for second time at Camp Breckridge in Kentucky. We were in rifle Company F, 289th infantry. Then after a while we noticed that they transferred the bigger guys like me into the heavy weapons Company H to carry the heavier guns and mortars. Finally in September our Division sailed, first to England, then France to wade ashore. By that time the serious fighting was over, but then The Germans attacked in the Ardennes Forest, and we found ourselves in Grandmenil, Belgium on Christmas day confronting a bunch of German Panzer tanks. We had rifles but they had cannons. Fortunately one of the guys in C Company with a bazooka was able to hit the treads of the first German tank before the tank machine gunner killed him. That stopped their parade. That line was as far as the Germans got, but it sure was scary that night hiding behind trees.

Then the heavy snows came and our life wasn't easy. We were so far forward under seemingly constant fire, that we had to sleep in our slit trenches without our sleeping bags. About a week later we had to face machine gun fire as we recaptured the land lost up to St. Vith, Belgium.



**BATTLE OF
THE BULGE**



Jack Williams con't.

Ready for a rest, we boarded 40 & 8 Railroad box cars headed south out of the frigid snow and states fighting our way from the Vosges Mountains to the Rhine River to retake Alsace Lorraine.

Then back in the box cars to Holland before crossing into Germany. But luck came my way. During the previous weeks, my rank went to corporal, then staff Sargent, and then I was sent to Infantry Officers training school for a month in Fontainebleau, France. By the time I returned to my original F Company which was now in Dortmund Germany, the war, for us, was literally over.

After the fighting was over, I as an officer and didn't have enough points to come home. I had to stay in Europe for another year. I had various assignments, but eventually ended up as a commander of a Prison of War Camp for Germans outside of Rheims, France.

We didn't have cameras while fighting so the only pictures I have is one taken in Europe, and one taken by my family when I got home.



Rodney Nixon

2002 - Present

U.S. Army/U.S. Army Reserve

I entered military service in June 2002 after high school. I was sent to Fort Jackson for training. Upon completing basic training and AIT, I was attached to the 1st Cavalry division at Fort Hoof Tx.

I was sent to Iraq in 2004-2005. I've also served in Kuwait, Egypt, Panama, and briefly in Saudi Arabia.

Afterwards I joined the army reserve where I continue to serve today. My awards include two Army commendation medals (A). Two- army reserve components achievement awards (ARCAM) Armed forces reserve medal, army service ribbon, global war terrorism medal (B), and humanitarian service medal (C).



DH Staff Member

Frank Uehlin

1971 - 2012

I joined the Ohio Army National Guard on May 15, 1971. I went to Basic Training and Advanced Individual Training at Ft. Knox, KY.

In 1977 there a huge blizzard in Cincinnati. I drove doctors and nurses to and from the hospitals in a jeep. The whole city was shut down for a couple of days.

In 1989 my unit went to Honduras to build roads that had been washed out from rain storms. There was a flash flood in June 1990 at Shadyside, OH. It killed 26 people. Our unit was involved with the aftermath and helped with the cleanup.

In 1993 there was a riot at the maximum state prison in Lucasville, OH. We were activated for a week and our unit had to sleep in a chicken coop at the state fair grounds. The next year we went to Panama to construct an obstacle course for the Army at Ft. Kobbe.

In 2003 I went to Korea to participate in the US/S Korea military exercises which North Korea gets very excited about.

In 2004 our battalion (216th Combat Engineer) was activated and sent to Iraq for a year. We were stationed in Tikrit and built an airstrip, constructed berms and guard posts. The surge was going on at this time.

I retired on October 31, 2012.



DH Resident Veterans

Baldwin, W. Keith
Bayless, David
Breiel, Wilson
Christenson, Gordon A.
Cobb, William
Cors, Captian L. Barry
Davis, Pierson
Faught, Walter S.
Giesel, Roger G. M.D.
Grant, Don
Gray, Don

Harris, Albert E.
Hawley, Donald
Hummel, Dr. Robert
Jergens, Andrew
Johnston, Robert A.
Macaulay, Robert "Wally"
Magee, Jay
Matthews, Robert "Bob"
Mattingly, Steele F.
McCormick, Robert
Mills, Earl
Nau, Robert

Nixon, Rodney
Ottenjohn, Thomas H.
Retford, David Thomas
Riedinger, Roy
Roos, John
Rowe, William "Bill" C.
Saxena, V. Amod
Schmidt, John "Jack" E.
Srofe, John
Uehlin, Frank
Williams, Jack



Thanks to all who served.

Former DH Resident Veterans

Andress, Frank - Navy
Austin, Arnold - Navy
Bain, St. John - Navy
Baude, Hugh K. - Navy
Bartlett, Robert A. - Army
Beckman, Mark - Air Force
Bigham, Margaret
- WAAF, Royal Air Force
Burkman, Ken - Coast Guard
Campbell, David - Air Force
Cavaliere, Chet - Air Force
Dinsmore, Wiley - Army
Fix, John "Jack" C. - Navy
Ginsburg, Marshall - Army

Gottschalk, Jack - Air Force
Gunnell, Dorothy
- Royal Canadian Air Force
Hopple, John - Navy
Koehler, Fred - Air Force
Hunter, Summer - British Army
Bill Keating - Navy
Matthews, Pierce - Air Force
Maxwell, Elizabeth - Air Force
Maxwell, Jim - Air Force
McOwen, Thomas B. - Army
Muntz, Ernest G. - Air Force
Nebergall, Jack - Army
Nielsen, Eric - Air Force
Paulsen, Paul - Navy

Plattner, John W. - Army
Pontius, Tom
Raible, Earl - Air Force
Risinger, Captain Robert E.,
USN, Ret. - Navy
Robertson, Robbie - Army
Rohde, William "Bill" - Army
Sarran, Ted - Navy
Schreiner, Albert W. III, M.D. - Army
Smith, Roger - Army
Victor, Bill - Army
Wham, William B. - Navy
Wilson, Robert - Air Force
Zwicky, John - Army



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Rather we should thank God such men lived”

— George S. Patton



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