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President's Message

"If we don't remember, who will?"



With the approach of the 72nd Annual Reunion in July, this will be my last President's Message for *The Octofoil*. It has been a privilege to serve as your president.

The Association has faced some challenging issues with the decline in our WWII veteran membership. Our goal two years ago was to attract new members either through the Vietnam veterans or others that are sons and daughters of our veterans. At this reunion we will welcome several new faces. Yuri Becker has helped us gain more exposure through mention in his website

www.9thinfantrydivision.net. There are now several new members who have joined from Europe and elsewhere.

Mary Blann Cooper will be reporting at the reunion on the transition of our organization from a veteran-based organization to a not-for-profit social organization. While this will not be a veteran organization in the eye of the Internal Revenue Service, we do not anticipate any change in our mission to honor and remember the men of the 9th Infantry Division. "If we don't remember, who will?"

Kathy and Robin Tapelt are poised to entertain us Western-style in Arizona at our 72nd Annual Reunion. They have worked hard on the details of our group activities from Friday night through Monday and have assured me that we will all be comfortable in the air conditioned venues. Gail Eisenhower and others have put together our Memorial Service for Sunday morning, and Mark Savolis will be our guest speaker. Later, he will bring us up to date on his work on our archives at the College of Holy Cross in Worcester, MA.

This year we will be honored to welcome two active duty soldiers from the 3rd Battalion, 39th Infantry Regiment. Yes, this is still an active unit in the U.S. Army which is a remnant of our 39th Infantry Regiment. They are coming to learn more about their military heritage and will participate in the Memorial Service. This will be a unique service with 9th Infantry Division men from WWII, Vietnam and present day soldiers.

Margi and I look forward to seeing you all again in Mesa, AZ.

Terry Barnhart
President, Ninth Infantry Division Association



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OUR MISSION

This Association was formed by the officers and men of the 9th Infantry Division in order to perpetuate the memory of our fallen comrades, to preserve the *esprit de corps* of the Division, to assist in promoting an everlasting world peace exclusively by means of educational activities and to serve as an information bureau about the 9th Infantry Division.

TIP OF THE HAT

We thank the following members and friends for remembering the Memorial Fund and our buddies who have answered their last Roll Call.

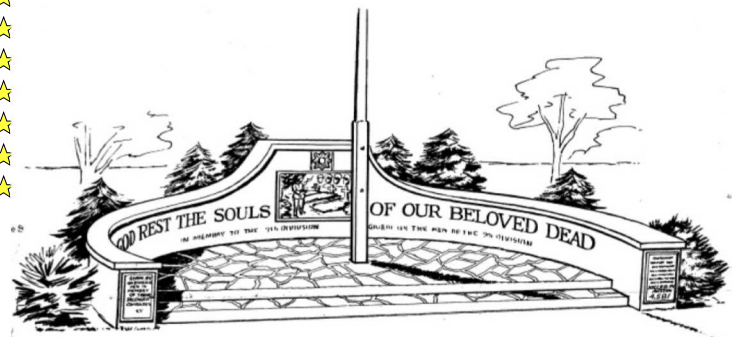
Anthem Ranch Neighbor to Neighbor Association
In honor of John T. Hoyt

If you would like to donate, please make your check payable to:

The Ninth Infantry Division Association

Please note in the memo section of the check "Tip of the Hat" and mail to:

Mary Cooper, [REDACTED]



Friends of Father Connors Fund

There were no donations to this fund this quarter.

The current balance in the FFCF is \$759.61.

Continued contributions for maintenance and lighting expenses would be greatly appreciated.

If you would like to donate please make your check payable to: **The Ninth Infantry Division Association**. Please note in the memo section of the check "FFCF" and send to :

Mary Cooper, [REDACTED]

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance in all sub-accounts as of June 1, 2017

<u>Account</u>	<u>Balance</u>
General	25,009.33
Octofoil	8,536.59
Library Project	614.59
Memorial Fund	4,709.00
F.F.C.F.	759.61
Reunion Insurance Fund	5,000.00
2013 Reunion	1,685.63
2014 Reunion	4,279.71
2015 Reunion	2,882.08
2016 Reunion	2,772.27
2017 Reunion	5,252.34
Vets Travel Fund	3,275.00
TOTAL	\$64,776.15

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Cooper, Treasurer

For a complete financial report prepared by Mize Houser and Co. P.A., please go to page 7.

72nd Annual Reunion Program
Hyatt Place Phoenix/Mesa
1422 W. Bass Pro Drive
Mesa, AZ 85201
480-969-8200

Friday, July 21, 2017

6:30 am to 9:00 am	Breakfast: Gallery Kitchen
8:00 am to 6:00 pm	Registration – Hospitality Room: Meeting Place 1&2
4:00 pm to 5:30 pm	Officers and Board of Governors Meeting: Sunroom
6:00 pm to 9:00 pm	Reception and Informal Mexican Dinner – Hospitality Room: Meeting Place 1&2
9:00 pm to ???	Hang out and mingle - Hospitality Room: Meeting Place 1&2

Saturday, July 22, 2017

6:30 am to 9:00 am	Breakfast: Gallery Kitchen
8:00 am to 9:30 am	Registration – Hospitality Room: Meeting Place 1&2
10:30 am to 12:00 pm	Association General Business Meeting – Hospitality Room: Meeting Place 1&2
1:00 pm to 2:00 pm	Registration – Hospitality Room: Meeting Place 1&2
1:00 pm to 4:45 pm	Free afternoon to explore Mesa and surrounding cities
4:45 pm to 5:00 pm	Board bus from Hotel Lobby
5:00 pm to 9:00 pm	Travel to and dinner at Rockin' R Ranch, 6136 E. Baseline Road, Mesa, AZ

Sunday, July 23, 2017

6:30 am to 9:00 am	Breakfast: Gallery Kitchen
8:00 am to 9:00 am	Registration – Hospitality Room: Meeting Place 1&2
8:00 am to 9:30 am	Officers and Board of Governors Meeting:
10:00 am to 11:00 am	Memorial Service – Hospitality Room: Meeting Place 1&2
	(Please be seated by 9:45 am)
11:00 am to 11:30 am	Group Photo
11:30 am to 5:30 pm	Registration – Hospitality Room: Meeting Place 1&2
1:30 pm to 4:00 pm	"Show and Tell" Presentations
5:30 pm to 5:45 pm	Board Shuttles to Arizona Museum of Natural History
6:00 pm to 6:50 pm	Tour Museum/Banquet Reception
7:00 pm to 8:00 pm	Banquet Buffet
8:00 pm to 8:30 pm	Entertainment

Monday, July 24, 2017

6:30 am to 9:00 am	Breakfast: Gallery Kitchen
9:00 am	Those going to Grand Canyon
Goodbye, check out and head for home. See you next year!	



Reunion Banquet Raffle



As you know, a raffle is held at each year's reunion banquet. Glenda Baswell, Chair of the Raffle Committee, wants to remind everyone to please bring items for the raffle. These items should be easily transportable since many individuals will be flying to the reunion.

A portion of the proceeds from last year's reunion raffle were donated to the following organizations:

- \$500.00 to the Ft. Myers Veterans Center
- \$150.00 to the VFW 10097 Color Guard
- \$100.00 to Veterans Helping Veterans Heal

Your participation in the raffle is appreciated. If you have questions, you may contact Raffle Co-Chairperson, Glenda Baswell at 662-582-0148 or jgbasw@gmail.com.



TAPS SOUNDED

The muffled drum's sad roll has beat the soldier's last tattoo;
No more on life's parade shall meet that brave and fallen few.
On Fame's eternal camping—ground their silent tents are spread,
And Glory guards, with solemn round, the bivouac of the dead.

Bivouac of the Dead by Theodore O'Hare - 1847

9th Infantry Division Medal of Honor Recipients World War II

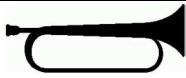
S/Sgt. Herschel F. Briles, Co. C, 899th TD Bn; Near Scherpenseel, Germany; 20 November 1944
2nd Lieutenant John E. Butts*, Co. E, 60th Infantry; Normandy, France; 14, 16, 23 June 1944
T/Sgt. Peter J. Dalessandro, Co. E, 39th Infantry; Near Kalterherberg, Germany; 22 December 1944
Sgt. William J. Nelson*, Co. H, 60th Infantry; Djegel Dardys, NW of Sedjenane, Tunisia; 24 April 1943
PFC Carl V. Sheridan*, Co. K, 47th Infantry; Frenzerberg Castle, Germany; 26 November 1944
Captain Matt L. Urban, 2nd Battalion, 60th Infantry; Renouf, France; 14 June to 3 September, 1944
* Posthumous award

Source: U.S. Army Center of Military History

Vietnam War

SGT Sammy L. Davis, Battery C, 2nd Battalion, 4th Artillery; West of Cai Lay; 18 November 1967
SP4 Edward A. Devore, Jr.*, Company B, 4th Battalion, 39th Infantry; Near Saigon; 17 March 1968
PFC James W. Fous*, Company E, 4th Battalion, 47th Infantry; Kien Hoa Province; 14 May 1968
SSG Don J. Jenkins, Company A, 2nd Battalion, 39th Infantry; Kien Phong Province; 6 January 1969
SGT Leonard B. Keller, Company A, 3rd Battalion, 60th Infantry; Ap Bac Zone; 2 May 1967
SP4 Thomas J. Kinsman, Company B, 3rd Battalion, 60th Infantry; Near Vinh Long; 6 February 1968
SP4 George C. Lang, Company A, 4th Battalion, 47th Infantry; Kien Hoa Province; 22 February 1969
PFC David P. Nash*, Company B, 2nd Battalion, 39th Infantry; Giao Duc District; 29 December 1968
SP5 Clarence E. Sasser, Headquarters Co., 3rd Battalion, 60th Infantry; Ding Tuong Province; 10 January 1968
SP4 Raymond R. Wright, Company A, 3rd Battalion, 60th Infantry; Ap Bac Zone; 2 May 1967
* Posthumous award

Sources: A Short History of the 9th Infantry Division and
www.homeofheroes.com

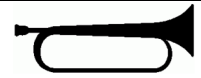


Robert E. Arnold



Hal Ladouceur
9th Div. Military Police

Dr. Ken Hechler



TAPS OBITUARIES

Robert E. Arnold
September 4, 1923-May 17, 2017

Robert E. Arnold died May 17, 2017. His parents, Harry F. Arnold and Marguerite Lemser Arnold, daughter, Christina Morrison, and his sister, Dorothy June Fandel, preceded him in death. He was born September 4, 1923, in St. Joseph, Missouri. He attended elementary school in Kansas City, Missouri; was in the first graduating class of Tulsa's Will Rogers High School in 1940. He is survived by his daughter, Annette Shepard; sons, Glenn and Phillip Arnold; 12 grandchildren, numerous great grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

Bob served in the Army's 9th Infantry Division in Europe during World War II. He participated in battles in Normandy, Hurtgen Forest, the Bulge, Remagen Bridge, Ruhr and Harz Mountains among others. He was awarded the Bronze Star, two Purple Hearts, four Presidential Unit Citations and five Bronze Battle Stars.

Bob graduated from the University of Southern California in 1951, receiving a Bachelor of Science Degree in Petroleum Engineering. He was employed by Schlumberger and Conoco, retiring in 1985.

No local services are planned. Bob will be interred in Arlington National Cemetery in Washington DC.

TAPS OBITUARIES

Dr. Ken Hechler
September 20, 1914 – December 10, 2016

Dr. Hechler was not a member of the 9th Infantry Division, but he wrote about the Division.

Hechler was a military historian, author, presidential scholar/advisor and longtime West Virginia politician. He attended Swarthmore College Class of 1935 and received his PhD from Columbia University. He edited the Roosevelt presidential papers, taught at Columbia and Princeton before moving to West Virginia after the war. He was a Democratic congressman for 16 years, later served as West Virginia Secretary of State and ran unsuccessfully for governor.

Hechler served in the army and was military historian during the war. In 1957, he published *The Bridge at Remagen* with materials that he collected after the event. Ten years later it was made into a movie by the same name. He also wrote *Hero of the Rhine: The Karl Timmerman Story* and *Holding the Line* about the Battle of the Bulge.

Hechler died at 102 from a stroke. He is survived by his wife Carol Kitzmiller Hechler whom he married at age 98 and stepson Joshua Kitzmiller both of Romney, WV.



Harold (Hal) Ladouceur
Ninth Infantry Division Military Police Company

In shock and grieving, Lucille Ladouceur of Livonia, Michigan shares the passing of her husband, Harold (Hal) Ladouceur, who proudly served in the Ninth Infantry Division Military Police Company. On November 23, 2016, he died at the age of 89 from a massive stroke the previous day.

Hal's Ninth Division service to our country during World War II occupation was documented in German by his loving granddaughter, Melissa, who chose him as her most admired person while at the University of Michigan German class. Hal translated the lengthy report into English.

In August 1945, after basic training at Camp Roberts in California and a stop in New York, his ship to Europe joined a convoy arriving in Southampton nine days later. Setting out again and crossing the English Channel, the ship landed in Le Havre, France which had been destroyed by aerial bombing; there were many ships sunk in the harbor.

By train, Hal traveled through Reims, France where there appeared to be only one wall of a building standing. Parents and children were standing along the tracks begging for food, money, soap and cigarettes.

After crossing Belgium, Hal arrived in the German town of Rosenheim where he was eventually assigned to the Ninth Division Military Police Company. After being sent to the Ninth Division Headquarters in Augsburg, Hal received further MP training in Landsberg, Germany, learning disarmament techniques.

For six months, Hal was at the MP headquarters in Traunstein, Germany. The military police controlled the region from Munich to Salzburg, Austria. He was involved in a raid in Siegsdorf, Germany where weapons, radios and other items were confiscated and where Hal obtained a copy of Hitler's "Mein Kampf." While in Karlsruhe, Germany for three months, which was close to the Rhine River, the Military Police established an off-limits area to military personnel and the German people to control diseases. Hal was in charge of the motor pool.

In Garmisch, Germany, he spent one year being responsible for the motor pool and provided a motorcycle escort for General Eisenhower as the general traveled to Oberammergau. Garmisch was also the rest and rehabilitation center for combat

troops. The Ninth Division Football team that Hal participated in won the championship playing in the snow bowl stadium in Garmisch.

Besides all the German cities mentioned thus far, Hal also went to Salzberg, Austria to find parts for the autos, ambulances, motorcycles, trucks and jeeps; he also traveled to prisoner of war camps to make trades for needed parts.

In 1946, he went to Berchtesgaden, which was Hitler's Eagles Nest that housed Hitler's Conference Center where he obtained a small wooden piece of Hitler's fireplace.

Hal was a witness in many court martials in Munich when AWOL soldiers were arrested by the military police. The MPs from Garmisch also controlled 5000 displaced persons (DPs) being held prisoners in Landsberg, Germany. Under the United Nations Relief Act established by President Roosevelt, the prisoners received food and clothing.

In December 1946 Hal was ordered back to the U. S. The Ninth Division boarded a ship at Bremerhaven, but the ship hit a mine in the North Sea and was forced to return to port for three weeks. Eventually the 9th Division boarded the USS Bridgeport and on February 12, 1947, the ship arrived at Staten Island in New York.

Hal and Lucille were married following his return. Lucille now writes "We were married 66 years and I will miss him always. He was a wonderful husband, father and grandfather."

Hal served the Ninth Division well and never forgot his MP service abroad. He and Lucille joined the Michigan Chapter of the World War II Ninth Infantry Division and he proudly served as their President for several years until the chapter disbanded in 2014.

Hal leaves behind his beloved wife, Lucille; their daughter, Marcia (Jim) Hare; granddaughter, Melissa (Josh) Hansen; step-grandchildren: Gary Hare, Jamie Hare (fiancé Jeremy) and Thomas Hare. Hal will never be forgotten. Through his granddaughter, Melissa's documentation of his appreciated service to our country, we can better understand those Ninth Division years.

Respectfully submitted by Kaye Olson, past Recording Secretary of the Michigan Chapter of the WWII Ninth Infantry Division Association.



9th Military Police Co. Traunstein Detachment in 1946.
 Hal is third from left in the back row.



President Hal with wife, Lucille, at the Michigan Chapter meeting.

Pen to Paper

Letters to Loved Ones

December 16, 1943
Camp Wheeler, GA

Hi Folks,

I haven't had any time to write, we are on the go from morning till night. I have a little time now before chow. Say, by the way, I haven't received any letters yet, what's the matter, why don't you write. Don't forget after you get through reading this sit down and write me a letter. Anyway I want you to write every day, even if it's only a few words. Just write. Please. Let me know how you all are and how business is. Tell Jeanette I will write as soon as I can. I'm pretty busy now.

Well the weather down here changed overnight. It is really cold here now. Boy when we go out to march you really come back frozen stiff. We each were issued a rifle. All of us have to learn how to take it apart and put it together again and clean it every night. We really have a lot to do. Here is what we did today. Get up at 6:30 and dress up, then go out and stand reveille, 7:00 we eat chow, 7:30 make our beds and mop the floor up and clean barracks, 8:30 we fall out for exercise, drilling and manual of arms, etc., 12:30 we eat chow, till 6:00 we have other things to do. Today we went on a 5 mile hike. At 6:00 o'clock we eat chow, after that you have to shine your shoes and clean your rifle, take a shower and shave, 9:00 o'clock lights go out.

By the way, yesterday I got a G.I. haircut. All my curls are off now. I've got about a half inch of hair on my head. When I get a chance I'll take a picture and send it to you. Boy you will really laugh when you see it.

There is a bit of things I want you to send me. And send them as soon as you can. And could you send me \$5.00 dollars I really need it. I will pay you back when I get paid. Just send it in the letter you write. Thanks.

Well I guess that's all for now. I have to go to bed now. Write soon.

God Bless You.

Your Son,
Stan Jr.

P.S. Send this stuff right away. And write soon. I will try to write every day. So you write every day.
Junior
So Long.

List of things I want"

That little sack I bought just before I left and all the things in it. That green one.
10 coat hangers. Just wire ones, we can't use cardboard ones.
7 handkerchiefs.
Ink pen.
2 white towels.

Just put them all in a box and send them right away.

My address:
Pvt. Stanley Turowski 36889808
Ci, C, 16th Inf. Trg. Br.
Camp Wheeler, Georgia

This is a continuation of our new series "Pen to Paper" Letters to Loved Ones. If you have letters that were written to spouses, children or friends from 9th Division soldiers while they were on active duty that you are willing to share, please send them to:

Jane Mitchell

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

THE NINTH INFANTRY DIVISION STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES
NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT) - INCOME TAX BASIS FROM 07/01/16 TO 03/31/17

Prepared by Mize Houser and Co. P.A.

Revenue	Current Qtr.	YTD
General Fund Income	\$159	\$1,020
Octofoil Fund Income	225	1,395
Octofoil Library Project	25	25
Memorial Fund Income	0	1,679
FFCF Income	25	50
Vets Travel Income	0	3,275
71st—2016 Reunion	0	5,221
72nd—2017 Reunion	<u>3,250</u>	<u>3,250</u>
 Total Revenue	 \$ 3,684	 \$15,915
 Expenses		
Office Expenses	0	416
Postage Expenses	0	108
Printing and Copies	245	1,016
Supplies	0	601
Accounting Expense	0	1,575
Entertainment	698	3,894
Food/Catering	500	3,605
Lodging and Travel	0	1,819
Donations	<u>0</u>	<u>750</u>
 Total Expenses	 \$1,443	 \$13,783
 Net Surplus/(Deficit)	 \$2,241	 2,132

THE NINTH INFANTRY DIVISION STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES
AND EQUITY-INCOME TAX BASIS 03/31/17

ASSETS

Current Assets	
General Fund Cash	\$25,089
Octofoil Subscription Cash	6,278
Octofoil Library Project Cash	615
Memorial Fund Cash	4,684
FFCF Cash	760
Veterans Travel Fund	3,275
68th—2013 Reunion Cash	1,686
Reunion Insurance Fund	5,000
69th—2014 Reunion Cash	4,280
70th—2015 Reunion Cash	3,062
71st—2016 Reunion Cash	2,592
72nd—2017 Reunion	1,052
 Total Current Assets	 \$60,372
TOTAL ASSETS	\$60,372

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Net Assets	
Unrestricted Net Assets—Beg	\$58,240
Current Surplus (Deficit)	2,132
 Total Net Assets	 \$60,372
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$60,372

For current balances in all sub-accounts, see page 2



Jennifer Holik is a military records researcher who spoke at our Memorial Service and gave a presentation at our reunion in Ft. Myers last year. She has graciously allowed us to reprint the handout that she used during her presentation. If you are interested in researching the military history of a relative or friend, you will find it very helpful.

The Day That Lived in Infamy *Navigating World War II Military Records*

Lecturer: Jennifer Holik

info@wwiirwc.com

WWII Research and Writing Center: <http://wwiiresearchandwritingcenter.com>

The Research Process

- ⇒ Learn the story about your soldier and gather as much information as possible.
- ◆ Download the Military Service Questionnaire on my website: <http://wwiiresearchandwritingcenter.com>
- ⇒ Create a timeline of service.
- ⇒ Conduct research offline and online:
 - ◆ Home Sources: Reunion or Unit books, Family stories, Military uniforms and badges, Medals, Burial Flags, paperwork (genealogy, military, etc.), photographs, correspondence, obituaries, cemetery records, vital records, home movies.
 - ◆ Home Front Materials: Ration books, newspaper articles, photographs, VFW and American Legion records, Company records and newsletters, YANK Magazine.
 - ◆ Online Resources: Internet Archive, GoogleBooks, Social Media, Blogs.
 - ◆ Manuals and Guides: Training Manuals, Technical Manuals, Field Manuals.
 - ◆ Military Records: VA Index card search, Service File, Morning Reports, Muster Rolls, Accident Reports (Air Corps and Navy), Missing Air Crew Reports, Unit Histories, Bombing Mission Sorties (Reports), After Action Reports, Naval Deck Logs, IDPF's.
 - ◆ Military Ephemera: Small guides to countries, Bomb Group Officers, combat Pocket guides, Company newsletters/newspapers, etc.
 - ◆ Archives and repositories: Libraries, Historical Societies, Associations, Reunion Groups, Military Bases and Museums, School archives.
- ⇒ Order the OMPG (service file) through the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) or hire a Researcher (see Resources). <https://www.archives.gov/st-louis/military-personnel/>
- ⇒ If your soldier died in service or is Missing in Action, order the Individual Deceased Personnel File (IDPF) and cite FOIA.
 - Please submit requests to USARMY.KNOX.HRC.MBX.FOIA@MAIL.MIL or
 - Department of the Army
 - US Army Human Resources Command
 - Attn: AHRC-FOIA
 - 1600 Spearhead Division Avenue, Department 107
 - Ft. Knox, KY 40122-5743
- ⇒ Order or locate additional basic records to create a timeline of service:
 - ◆ Army Morning Reports
 - ◆ Navy and Marine Corps Muster Rolls
 - ◆ Unit Histories
- ⇒ Evaluate that information against the story. Note facts that appear to be true versus those that do not.
- ⇒ Write the story.

National Archives Researchers

If you need a researcher in St. Louis who understands the records, contact Norm Richards. He is the historian for the 90th Division and also an independent researcher.

Norm Richards, AAA Military Research, Research Specialty: Morning reports, Payroll Records, Unit Rosters, Research of Stolen Valor individuals, Personnel & Medical Records

If you need a researcher in Washington, D.C who understands the records, contact Jonathan Webb Deiss-Independent Researcher, Military History Specialist. His Soldier Source website is www.soldiersource.com

Books

Holik, Jennifer. *Stories from the World War II Battlefield: Volume 3 Writing the Stories of War*. Woodridge, IL: Generations, 2015.

Holik, Jennifer. *Stories from the World War II Battlefield: Volume 1 Reconstructing Army, Air Corps, and National Guard Service*. Woodridge, IL: Generations, 2015.

Holik, Jennifer. *Stories from the World War II Battlefield: Volume 2 Navigating the Service of the Navy, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, and Merchant Marines*. Woodridge, IL: Generations, 2015.

Additional Resource

To read more about the 9th Infantry Division, please visit www.9thinfantrydivision.net This is the website by Yuri Beckers in Denmark.

Military Service Questionnaire

Please complete as much of this form as possible. Much of this information can be found on the Separation/Discharge Paper issued to the soldier upon the end of his or her service. The information may also come from family sources and in Individual Deceased Personnel File (IDPF). Attach additional blank sheet if needed.

Name of Soldier _____

Serial Number _____

Date of Birth _____

Date and Place of Death _____

Location of Burial _____

Was soldier ever declared Missing in Action? Please provide details. _____

Branch of service, Grade, and Final Unit _____

Date and place of enlistment _____

Date and place of separation _____

Address at enlistment _____



Address at discharge_____

Prior Service_____

Military Occupational Specialty (MOS)_____

Battles_____

Ships on which you served and dates_____

Decorations and Citations_____

Wounds received_____

Service outside continental U.S._____

Service Schools Attended_____

Additional Remarks_____

Discuss what you know about this soldier's service and what questions you have. Please list all the documents you have obtained and major resources searched. (American Battle Monuments Commission website, Unit Histories, Morning Reports, After Action Reports, S-Journals, Maps, IDPF's, X-Files)



Officers and Board of Governors
2016-2017

Officers

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Paul Schumacher, 2nd Vice President	[REDACTED]
Jack Dauner, 3rd Vice President	[REDACTED]
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Clare Irwin, Secretary	[REDACTED]
Mary Cooper, Treasurer	[REDACTED]

Board of Governors

Terms Expiring 2017

Terry Barnhart	[REDACTED]
Glenda Baswell	[REDACTED]
Mary Cooper	[REDACTED]
Mary Kay Darr	[REDACTED]
Jack Dauner	[REDACTED]
Clare Irwin	[REDACTED]
Bill Mizell	[REDACTED]
Judy Rishel	[REDACTED]
Paul Schumacher	[REDACTED]

Terms Expiring 2018

JoAnne Bryant	[REDACTED]
Janet Casanave	[REDACTED]
Joyce Schumacher	[REDACTED]
Arlene Silver	[REDACTED]

Terms Expiring 2019

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Janet Schnall	[REDACTED]
Kathy Tapelt	[REDACTED]

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THE NINTH INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(July 1 ____ to June 30 ____)

NAME _____

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MAIL CALL

My name is SFC Eric Vos and I am currently assigned to B Co. 3-39 IN REGT in Fort Jackson, SC. I am developing a memorial wall in our Battalion Headquarters dedicated to the WWII era Soldiers of 3-39 as well as the 9th Infantry Division. I was wondering if you were able to assist me in obtaining either WWII era photographs or unit memorabilia. If you are unable to, can you please direct me to someone you know that is able to help obtain said items. We are looking to find things such as old uniforms, pictures, flags or guidons, or even unit movement graphics. I would greatly appreciate your help in this endeavor if possible, and thank you for your service.

Respectfully,
SFC (DS) Vos, Eric J
B Co. 3-39 IN REGT
[REDACTED]

If you have photos or items that you wish to donate to Eric, you can either call him directly or contact Terry Bamhart .

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The Ninth Infantry Division Association
Memorial Service
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353 Grove Street
Worcester, Massachusetts 01605
Sunday, October 15th, 2017 10:00 A.M.**

On Sunday, October 15, 2017, the 73rd annual Memorial Mass and wreath laying ceremony will be held at the Immaculate Conception Parish in Worcester, MA. This year's service marks another milestone in a long line of continuous Mass celebrations started by Father Edward T. Connors. Father Walter J. Riley, Pastor, will celebrate the mass and conduct the memorial service.

If you have any questions, please contact Gail Eisenhower at [REDACTED] Hotel reservations should be made on your own if you plan to stay overnight.

