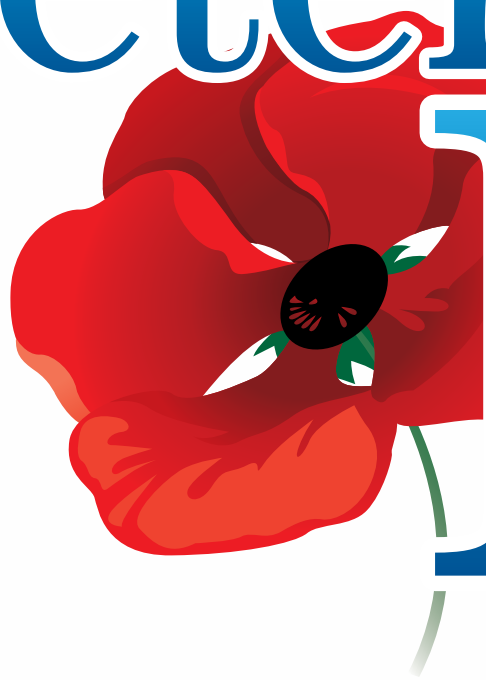


Veterans



November 11

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Reader Remembrances



Ron Goodboe
U.S. Air Force
Korea and Vietnam
1948 – 1974



Bob Anderson
U.S. Navy
SKSM and SHSM
1959-1963

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The history of the M-16 rifle

The rifle entered United States Army service and was deployed for jungle warfare operations in South Vietnam in 1963, becoming the U.S. military's standard service rifle of the Vietnam War by 1969, replacing the M14 rifle in that role. The U.S. Army retained the M14 in CONUS, Europe, and South Korea until 1970. Since the Vietnam War, the M16 rifle family has been the primary service rifle of the U.S. armed forces.

The M16 has also been widely adopted by other militaries around the world. Total worldwide production of M16-style weapons since the design's inception has been approximately 8 million, making it

the most-produced firearm of its caliber. In 2010, the M16 began to be phased out in the U.S. Army and is being replaced by the M4 carbine, which is itself a shortened derivative of the M16A2. The M16 is a lightweight, 5.56 mm, air-cooled, gas-operated, magazine-fed assault rifle, with a rotating bolt, actuated by direct impingement gas operation. The rifle is made of steel, 7075 aluminum alloy, composite plastics and polymer materials.

In the early 1960s, the U.S. Air Force's rifle, the M16, and the Army's XM16E1, were the first versions of the M16 rifle fielded. Soon the U.S. Army standardized an upgrade of the XM16E1 as the M16A1 rifle,



an M16 with a forward assist feature and other improvements requested by the Army. All of the early versions were chambered to fire the M193/M196 cartridge in the semi-automatic and the automatic firing modes. This occurred in the early 1960s, with the Army issuing it in late 1964. Commercial AR-15s were first issued to Special Forces troops in spring of 1964.

The M16A2 rifle entered service in the 1980s, being ordered in large scale by 1987, chambered to fire the standard NATO cartridge, the Belgian-designed M855/M856 cartridge. The M16A2 is a select-fire rifle (semi-automatic fire, three-round-burst fire) incorporating design elements requested by the Marine Corps:^[1] an adjustable, windage rear-sight; a stock $\frac{3}{8}$ inches (15.9 mm) longer; heavier barrel; case deflector for left-hand shooters; and cylindrical hand guards. The fire mode selector is on the receiver's left side.

The M16A3 rifle is an M16A2 rifle

with an M16A1's fire control group (semi-automatic fire, automatic fire) that is used only by the U.S. Navy.

The M16A4 rifle was standard issue for the United States Marine Corps in Operation Iraqi Freedom since 2004; it replaced the M16A2 in front line units. In the U.S. Army the M16A2 rifle is being supplemented with two rifle models, the M16A4 and the M4 carbine as the standard issue assault rifle. The M16A4 has a flat-top receiver developed for the M4 carbine, a handguard with four Picatinny rails for mounting a sight, laser, night vision device, forward handgrip, removable handle, or a flashlight.

The M16 rifle is principally manufactured by Colt and Fabrique Nationale de Herstal (under a U.S. military contract since 1988 by FNH-USA; currently in production since 1991, primarily M16A2, A3, and A4), with variants made elsewhere in the world.

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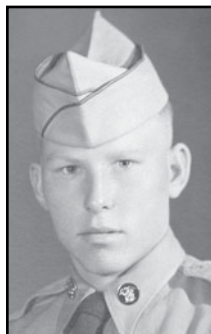
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Amber Stubbs
USMC
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Daniel Stubbs
US Army
Ft. Lawton OK.
He has been to
Iraq for two 15
month tours.



Geoff Taylor
Senior Airman
Air Force
Operation North
Watch
March 1997-2001
Aircraft armament
systems specialist



Temple Carroll
U.S.A.F
Glider Pilot
WWII 1941-1045



Fred Carroll
U.S. Navy
Machinist Mate
- USS Ranger
Vietnam
1965-1969



Glenn Powell
U.S. Army
Tech Sgt. - North
Africa and Italy
WWII 1943-1945

In 1945, Glenn
handed the mes-
sage to Major John
Taggart, that the
U.S. had dropped
the atomic bomb on
Japan.



Frank Kreis
MSgt. - U.S. Army
Ft. Lee, Va. Retired



Chad Haverkamp
Sgt. - U.S. Army
Stryker Division
in Iraq



Kyammi & Amy Bates
U.S. M.C. - Afghanistan



Bill Browitt
U.S. Navy
Medic Korean War
1951-1955



Jack Laws
U.S. Navy



Sabio Lara
Infantry
U.S. Marine Corps



Leyla Oxford
Sergeant
U.S. Army



**Orville "Joe"
Gordon**
U.S. Navy
BM 2/C
Amphibious Force,
Landing Craft, USS
Calvert,
USS Crescent City.
Eight Battle Stars
Three Purple
Hearts
1942 - 1946



Murphey Brothers
Jim, Bob, Bill and Vic Murphey - WWII



Chester Yeary
U.S. Army
1949-1951



David H. Smith
U.S. Navy
Electricians Mate
3rd Class
1959-1963



Donald E. Gest
U.S. Air Force
Technical Sargent
2 years Japan, 1 1/2
years Turkey
1946-1960



**Cadet Gabriel
Beck**
United States
Military Academy
West Point



Eddie Saenz
U. S. Navy
3rd Class Petty
Officer
Assigned to U.S.S.
John F. Kennedy
Air Dept/Flight
Deck
1976-1980

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War Fast Fact

When killed in battle, Japanese officers were promoted to the next highest rank.



A very essential resource for Veterans in the Columbia Basin: Columbia Basin Veteran Coalition

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For veterans in the Prosser, Grandview, Benton City, Yakima, Tri-Cities and region, there is a new one stop shop in place, whose sole mission is to help veterans and their families access benefits and resources. The Columbia Basin Veteran Coalition, a 501C3, non-profit, with an office in Pasco, provides services to aid transitional veterans in assimilating back into the civilian environment as well as provides services to area veterans wondering where to find help, have questions answered about veteran resources.

“Transitional Veterans” are defined as those veterans entering the civilian environment after completion of active duty or release from the reserves or National Guard. The needs of a combat veteran generally exceed those veterans that did not see duty outside the United States, however, we provide services to all qualified veterans.

Numerous benefit and educational programs provided by Federal, State and Local Governments are available to Veterans who have served this Nation. In addition, veteran service

organizations provide management of some government funds for a few programs. Many of these existing programs are either under-used or misused in the delivery of the best available help for veterans re-adjusting to civilian life.

Rather than duplicate or replace these existing programs. Columbia Basin Veterans’ Coalition provides the support, guidance and resources to augment and bolster these programs by performing the following:

Columbia Basin Veterans’ Coalition provides intensive one-on-one assistance and coaching to each individual veteran to help him or her re-adjust to civilian life in the most efficient and satisfying way possible. We take the time to help veterans define their goals and to monitor their progress towards those goals. This is the most unique and distinctive element of our organization.

They provide communication, advocacy, and intervention to assist the veteran with various agencies and educational institutions for the benefit of the veteran or veterans as a whole. By so doing, we assist organizations in meeting their service goals.

For more information, assistance, questions answers, <http://www.veterancoalition-cb.org/> or (509) 545-6558



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Semper Fi is the shortened term for Semper Fidelis which is Latin for “Always Faithful”

Semper Fidelis is Latin for “Always Faithful”. Well known in the United States of America as the motto of the United States Marine Corps, this phrase, often shortened to Semper Fi (pronounced /ˌsɛmpər ˈfaɪ/) in Marine contexts, has served as a slogan for many families and entities, in many countries, dating at least as far back as the 14th century. Within the groups below, users are listed in chronological order according to when they are believed to have adopted the motto; however, in many cases dates of adoption are not well established.

The United States Marine Corps adopted the motto Semper Fidelis in

1883, on the initiative of Colonel Charles McCawley (January 29, 1827 – October 13, 1891), the 8th Commandant of the Marine Corps.

There were three mottos prior to Semper Fidelis including “Fortitudine” (meaning “with courage”) antedating the War of 1812, “Per Mare, Per Terram” (“by sea, by land”; presumably inherited from the British Royal Marines, whose motto it already was), and, up until 1843, there was also the motto “To the Shores of Tripoli”. “Semper fidelis” signifies the dedication and loyalty that individual Marines have for “Corps and Country”, even after leaving service.

Marines frequently shorten the motto to “Semper Fi”. “Semper Fidelis” is also the title of the official march of the United States Marine Corps, composed by John Philip Sousa in 1889. Sousa was director of the United States Marine Band (“The President’s Own”) when a replacement for Hail to the Chief was requested, but later rejected. Sousa considered it to be his “most musical” march. It was prominently featured in the movie A Few Good Men. Charles Burr wrote the lyrics to the march.

On the United States Marine Corps Seal, the eagle of the Eagle, Globe, and Anchor emblem holds a ribbon emblazoned “Semper Fidelis”.



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European Theater
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combat – received
the Purple Heart



Bruce Wendell Kuhlman
1st Sgt (Retired)
U.S. Army Special
Forces Fort Bragg,
1963 – 1983



Charles Wendell Kuhlman
Major – Chaplain
(Active Duty)
U.S. Army – 101st
Airborne Division
– Iraq
1997 – Present



Louis Fournier
U.S. Air Force
1951 – 1982



Richard Ormiston
860th Aviation
Engineers
New Guinea and
the Phillipines -
U.S. Army
1942 -1944



Fraser Squire
U.S. Marine Corps
1956 – 1960
US Army
1960 – 1978



Ron Goodboe
U.S. Air Force
Korea and Vietnam
1948 – 1974



Ray Welley
Chief Petty Officer
U.S. Navy
1942-1955



Richard Coffman
Chief Motor Mate
U.S. Navy -
WW II, South
Pacific Theater
1943-1947



Wayne Coffman
U.S. Navy
Aircraft Mechanic – 2nd
Class - Aircraft Carrier in
the Mediterranean Sea
1967-1970



Ron Coffman
U.S. Navy
Light Cruiser Radio
Operator - Japan
1963-1967



Jayson Coffman
U.S. Navy
Gunner's Mate on
support ships - Japan
and West Coast 1991-
1993



Roger Stone
U.S. Army
Private (E-1)- Combat
Support, 2nd Battalion 1st
Infantry - 1972-1974



Irv Stone
U.S. Army
Sergeant Major
1946-1974



Basil W. Dean
U.S. Army Air
Corps
Corporal
Guam – Pacific
Theater
1942 – 1945



David Broussard
U.S. Navy
E-2 Master at Arms
Japan
2007 – Current
Active Duty



Carl F. Grimes
U.S. Army
Specialist
Germany
1958-1962



Paul J. Grimes
U.S. Army
PFC
P.O.W. Transport -
France
WWI



Thomas B. Grimes
Navy/Coast Guard
Chief Warrant
Officer
Korean War –
Vietnam
1950 - 1974



Jim Grimes
U.S. Air Force
Pictured here in
Japan in 1959
1956-1960



Richard V. Halverson
U.S. Army
PFC
1958-1960
32nd Armor Division,
Company C
Friedburg Germany



Lawrence Jake Jacobsen
U.S. Navy
Navy Diver
1961-1981
Vietnam Vet



Gordon M. Flint
U.S. Navy
Naval Aviation
Cadet



Cassandra Richman
U.S. Air Force

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Robert W. Buchholz
U.S. Navy
Turkey and Japan
1964-1967



Othel R. Butler
U.S. Army – 59th
Armored Division
Africa, Italy,
Normandy
Invasion, and the
Battle of the Bulge
1941 – 1945



Leonard Travaille
U.S. Air Force
1955-1977



Clarence Rincker
U.S. Army
Europe
1943-1946



Harold Franklin
U.S. Navy
Machinist Mate
1st Class
1955 – 1958



Keo Bailey
Sergeant 1st Class – Chef, U.S. Army,
India
Ewel Bailey
U.S. Navy - Developed rheumatic fever
and was discharged in 1943, 1942-1943



Robert S. Williams
Staff Sergeant
U.S. Army Air
Corps- China,
Burma, India and
the Hump, flying
gas to troops.
1942-1946



Johnathan Isaac Bailey
U.S. Navy
Senior Navy Chief
1st Class
1955 – 1975



Connie Leon Bailey
U.S. Navy
Navy Chief
1942-1946



Ronnie Bailey, Bobbie Bailey and Johnnie Marshall
All three are Vietnam vets in the U.S. Army
1965-1967



Errett C. Grant
U.S. Army
Private
1918-1922



Dennis Yule
U.S. Army
Vietnam
1967-1970



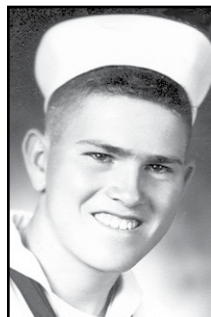
Chuck Weems
U.S. Navy

War Fast Fact

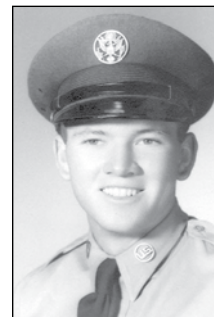
During the Battle of Waterloo, Lord Uxbridge had his horse shot from under him 9 times.



Charles Alan Franklin
U.S. Navy



Wayne Franklin
U.S. Navy



Wayne Carpenter
U.S. Air Force
Airman 2nd Class
1955-1959



Bill Owens
U.S. Army
Sergeant
North Africa, Sicily
and Italy
1942-1945



Carl Moore
Carl enlisted in the U.S. Navy in May 1951 and served 4 years during the Korean War. He was an Engineman 2nd Class on the Destroyer USS Collett DD-730. He received an honorable discharge in June 1955.



John Brown
U.S. Army
Sergeant E-5
Command Airplane
Company
Vietnam
1968 – 1969
Air Medal



Sgt. Robert V. Webb
38th parallel, Korea
sometime in 1952. Assigned to the Radio/Radio Teletype section, 3rd Signal Co/ 3rd Infantry Division. Entire tour spent in North Korea 1952-1953.



Robert C. Evans
U.S. Army
WWII
1942 - 1945

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David E. Miller
U.S. Army
Sgt.
Europe
1944-1946



Jack G. Dean
U.S. Army
Corporal
Gunner
2 years 10 months
of service
WWII



Larry J. Cleveringa
U.S. Navy
Radarman 3rd
Class
1962-1966
Vietnam



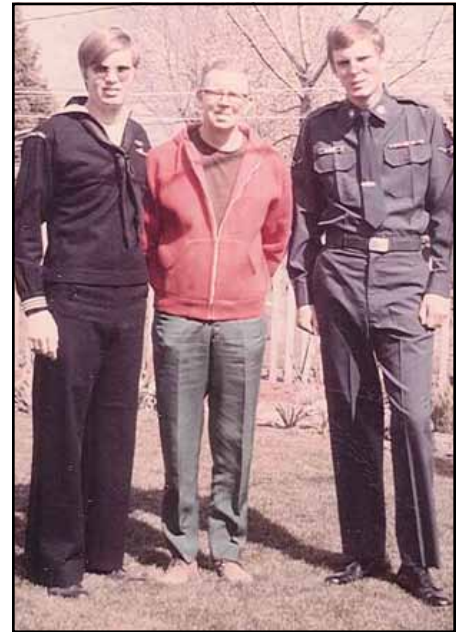
Walter Tinker
Taken in 1951 -
Army / Washington



Loren W. Amack
Technical Sargent
1970-1990



Raul Garcia
U.S. Navy
Plane's Captain
Special Intelligence
1992-1996



left to right: **James C. Mackey**, MT(2) (SS), U.S. Navy , 1969-1975; **William C. Mackey**, Sargent, U.S. Army, 1943-1946; **Thomas C. Mackey**, Staff Sargent, U.S. Air Force, 1972-1992.

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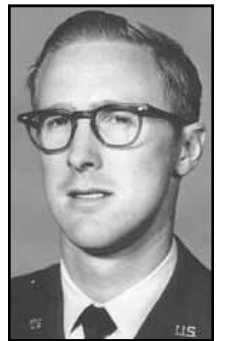
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Peter Anthony Steinbach, Jr.
U.S. Army
Sp5 "Wolf Pack"
Served in Vietnam
Medals:
National Defense
Service Medal,
Bronze Star,
Vietnam Service
Medal
1966-1969



Dr. Warren Barmore
Captain
United States
Air Force
1966-1970



left to right: **Jeannie Fassler**, Air Force Nurse, 4 years of service; **Michael Fassler**, Air Force, Lieutenant Colonel, Pilot, Vietnam Veteran, 20 years of service.

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Lewis M. (Bill) Petersen
U.S. Navy
ACNN
P.O.W. 3 1/2 Years
– Japanese
1939-1959



Michael Nelson
U.S. Marine Corps
Lance Corporal
Helicopter
Mechanic
Afghanistan
2007-Current
Active Duty



R.W. “Cody” Nelson
U.S. Marine Corps
Infantry
Afghanistan
2005-Current
Active Duty



Richard “Dick” Bain
U.S. Army
Transportation
Corps.
World War II



Shan Deleon
Corporal, U.S. Marine
Corps, Twentynine
Palms, Calif.
Duty was interrupted
by an illness during
boot camp and was in
hospital for a year.
2007 – Current Active
Duty



**Jess C. Bryson,
Jr.**
5th Marines
Private First
Class
Died on Iwo Jima,
received Purple
Heart
1940-1945



Richard Reid
U.S. Army
Sergeant, Combat
Engineers
Germany
1942 - 1945
(Graduated from
Prosser High
School in 1939)



Victor Breitenfeldt
U.S. Army
Sergeant – Section
Leader
389th Quartermaster
Truck Company
Provided supplies to
troops in the Aleutian
Islands, New Guinea
and the Philippines
(Luzon and Leyte).
Victor was awarded the
following medals and
citations: American
Theater Service
Medal, Asiatic-Pacific
Service Medal,
Philippine Liberation
Medal with one Bronze
Star, Bronze Service
Arrowhead, Good
Conduct Medal and
Victory Medal.
1942-1945



**Stephen Millard
Buxton**
U.S. Army
SP-4
Vietnam
Da Nang
Generator
Operator
1969 – 1971



Ronald Borg
U.S. Marine Corps
Korean Conflict
1952 – 1954



Michael Trainer
U.S. Army
Sergeant
7th Division, 17th
Infantry
Korea – 1953



Gail B. Beck
U.S. Navy
Sonarman
USS. Chevalier
1959-1962



**Charles Raymond
Edwards**
U. S. Marine Corps
Lance Corporal
MCAS Miramar
VMFA (AW)-225
2005-2009



**Lloyd
Richards**
Bosun’s Mate
US Navy



Lee S. Boyd
U.S. Navy
1941 – Retired in
1960

War Fast Fact
The first reference to a handgun was made in an order for iron bullets in 1326.

War Fast Fact
Approximately 1,100 U boats were sunk or lost during World War II.



Sal Torres
USMC
Sergeant
1972-1978



Heather Troemel
USMC
Private

Billy Troemel
Sergeant
(Retired – United
States Marine Corps.)



R. Ryan Baggerly
U.S. Army
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Duty in Iraq

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Walla Walla VA Medical Center under construction



Photo submitted

The Walla Walla VA Medical Center, which is home base for all veterans in our area utilizing VA health services, is filled with signs of construction and progress. In the recent photo above, the frame of the 67,000 square foot outpatient clinic is taking shape and is projected to be completed in the spring 2013. Not shown is the 36-bed residential rehabilitation unit also slated to open in spring 2013. The third of the three major construction projects, a specialty clinic building, is in the design phase, with estimates for completion of one year. The VA also offers health care services in Richland and Yakima for lower valley vet's convenience.

War Fast Fact

The very first bomb that the Allies dropped on Berlin in World War II killed the only elephant in the Berlin Zoo.

Honoring Our Brave Veterans



Front row left to right: Jesse Jones (Navy), Charlie Sample (Army), Pavlo Datsis (Army), Richard Reid (Army). Second row left to right: Cal Skotland (Navy), Richard Coffman (Navy), Dale Poe (Army). Third row left to right: Ray Pinkal (Army), Mike Trainer (Army), Luther May (Army), David Neimi (National Guard), James Knapp (Army), John Heintz (Air Force). Inset photo: Wayne McCravey (Air Force). Not pictured: Don Freeman (Navy) and Chet Meyers (Air Force).

Periods of War

The U.S. has been in war, since its inception. When veterans talk about or asked about their era that they served. Here are those dates, as recognized by the Department of Veteran Affairs Benefits Office

Indian wars. January 1, 1817, through December 31, 1898, inclusive. Service must have been rendered with the United States military forces against Indian tribes or nations.

Spanish-American War. April 21, 1898, through July 4, 1902, inclusive. If the veteran served with the United States military forces engaged in hostilities in the Moro Province, the ending date is July 15, 1903. The Philippine Insurrection and the Boxer Rebellion are included.

World War I. April 6, 1917, through November 11, 1918, inclusive. If the veteran served with the United States military forces in Russia, the ending date is April 1, 1920. Service after November 11, 1918 and before July 2, 1921 is considered World War I service if the veteran served in the active military, naval, or air service after April 5, 1917 and before November 12, 1918.

World War II. December 7, 1941, through December 31, 1946, inclusive. If the veteran was in service on December 31, 1946, continuous service before July 26,

1947, is considered World War II service.

Korean conflict. June 27, 1950, through January 31, 1955, inclusive.

Vietnam era. The period beginning on February 28, 1961, and ending on May 7, 1975, inclusive, in the case of a veteran who served in the Republic of Vietnam during that period. The period beginning on August 5, 1964, and ending on May 7, 1975, inclusive, in all other cases. (Authority: 38 U.S.C. 101(29)).

Future dates. The period beginning on the date of any future declaration of war by the Congress and ending on a date prescribed by Presidential proclamation or concurrent resolution of the Congress. (Authority: 38 U.S.C. 101).

Mexican border period. May 9, 1916, through April 5, 1917, in the case of a veteran who during such period served in Mexico, on the borders thereof, or in the waters adjacent thereto. (Authority: 38 U.S.C. 101(30))

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USS Ranger, two deployments to Vietnam
1964 – 1993



Robert Schryvers
U.S. Air Force
Staff Sergeant
Okinawa, Japan
1952 - 1956



Matthew Robert Axford
U.S. Army
Son of David and Debbi Axford
Artillery
Afghanistan since 2009
2006-present



James R. Brumley
Specialist E-4
U.S. Army



Max Anthony Saldaña
U.S. Air Force
Airman 1st Class
South Korea, currently in Italy,
2007 – Current
Active Duty



Domingo Ramirez Jr.
U.S. Army
E-4
5th Battalion, 27th
Artillery Battery
Vietnam
1967 - 1969



Louie Aguilar,
U.S. Air Force
Sergeant
Clark Air Base,
Phillipines
1976 - 1980



Rudy Cortez
U.S. Army
Sgt. First Class
1950 - 1953



Walter Castilleja, Jr.
U.S. Army
1st Sergeant
Combat in Persian Gulf and Iraq



Walt Castilleja Sr.
U.S. Army
Sergeant
Paratrooper
Vietnam ,
Cambodia, Laos
1961 - 1965



Ernest L. Duran
U.S. Marine Corps
E-4 Lance Corporal
Vietnam
Purple Heart, National
Defense Combat Ribbon,
USMC Sharp Shooter
Badge, Republic of Vietnam
Campaign, Republic of
Vietnam Cross of Gallantry,
Republic of Vietnam
Meritorious Medal, 1949
- 1951



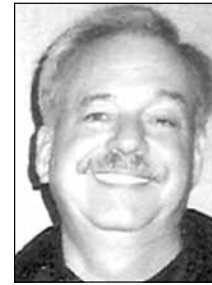
Daniel S. Christensen
U.S. Air Force
Sergeant
Communications
Specialist with a
mobile unit
1960 - 1968.



Jose Albert Leon
U.S. Army
E-5
Desert Storm
1986 - 1992



Raul Leon
U.S. Navy
E-5 Master at Arms
Iraq – Afghanistan
2000 - 2004



LeRoy A. Mulkey
U.S. Army
Vietnam
1969 – 1971
Graduated from
Prosser High
School in 1966



Eric Mulkey
U.S. Army National
Guard
Korea for three
years and served a
second tour of duty
in Iraq.

War Fast Fact

There are 92 known cases of nuclear bombs lost at sea.



Danny R. Sanders
U.S. Army
Spec. 5
NCOES Academy
Graduate
1970 – 1973
Vietnam 1971-1972



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U.S. Army
E-3
Active Duty
July 2007 – 2013
Served in Iraq –
2008 – 2009



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Serve on the
Winona



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Class
Oregon National
Guard
82nd ROC



Major J.C. Childs
U.S. Army Air
Corps,
World War II –
P-47 and P-51
Pilot



**Lieutenant
Commander
Jack Childs**
U.S. Navy,
Vietnam War
Radar
Intercept Officer
F4 Phantom and
F14 Tomcats
aircraft



Ronald Stone
U.S. Air Force
Stationed in the
Phillipines
1944-1946



**Talmadge E.
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Corporal
U.S. Army Air
Forces
Guam WWII
1943-1946



Clifford H. Christensen
U.S. Army
Sergeant
Served in Burma/
India
WWII



Lindyn Andraesen
U.S.M.C
Sargeant
1951-1952
Korean War
1950-1953
Korean War



**June Higdon
Bates**
USMC
Gunnery Instructor
1944



Stan Barnett
U.S. Army
Sp. 4
15th Truck, 4th
infantry
Bamberg,
Germany March
1959 to February
1961



**Lawrence A.
Walter**
USMC Gunnery
Sergeant
Korean War and
Vietnam
1952- honorable



Rian H. Blahut
Prosser class of
2004.
25th Combat
Aviation Brigade,
Schofield Barracks,
HI



Jeremie Dufault
U.S. Army
Captain
2008-present



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U.S. Air Force
class of 2006

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1987 – 2003



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SP-4
Korea – DMZ
1963 – 1965



Tyson Sowers
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MSgt. Anthony W. Lauby
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1942-1948
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RAF Mendlesham,
U.K.



Sgt. Barbara A. Lauby
U.S. Air Force
Information Specialist
Randolph AFB, Texas
and RAF Upper
Heyford, U.K.
1972-1976



Geraldine L. Lauby
U.S. Air Force Reserve
Airman 1st Class
Aircraft Ground
Equipment mechanic
McChord AFB, Tacoma,
Wash. 1984-1989



Sgt. J. James Macica
U.S. Air Force
Intelligence Specialist
Langley AFB, Va., and
RAF Upper Heyford,
U.K.
1971-1976



German H. Luna
U.S. Army
Sergeant E-5
Vietnam
1967 – 1969



Ricardo H. Luna
U.S. Army
Sergeant
82nd Airborne
Panama and First
Gulf War
Commendation
with V Device
1986 – 1995



Jaime H. Luna
U.S. Army
Sergeant
Military Intelligence
Germany
1979 – 1987



Bob Yahn
U.S. Army
Horse Cavalry
Ft. Riley, Kans.,
and Europe, Army
of Occupation
June 1945 –
November 1946



Nicolaas A. Verhoeven
U.S. Navy
Ensign on Active Duty
USS Bremerton,
Honolulu, Hawaii
Graduated from
Grandview High School
2001



Heath Niemi
U.S. Army
West Point graduate
Promoted to Lt.
Colonel Aug. 4,
2008
Iraq and
Afghanistan
1988 – Current



Javier Prieto
U.S. Marine Corps
Sergeant
Camp Lejeune, NC
2003 – 2007



Bob Anderson
U.S. Navy
SKSM and SHSM
1959-1963



Lisa Jones
Air Force
F-7 Master
Sergeant
Into 23 years
of service in
locations that
include Elmdorf,
Alaska, Fort
George, General
Maryland, McCord,
Washington,
Langley, Virginia.

Jeremy Jones
Air Force
E-7 Master
Sergeant
Into 16 years
of service in
Texas, Eglin,
Florida, Elmdorf,
Alaska, McCord,
Washington,
Langley, Virginia.
Has 9 tours in
Iraq, Iran, now on
a tour in Manas
International Airport
in Kyrgyzstan. Also
spent a year in
Haiti.



Melissa Jones
Air Force
Stationed at
locations including
Lackland, TX, and
Tinker, OK, before
developing a foot
tendonitis that forced
a very unhappy
medical discharge.



Kenneth Jones
Air Force
Senior Master Sergeant
Served 30 years,
stationed locations
that include Texas,
McCormell, Kansas,
Jacksonville AFB,
Arkansas and
Germany.



**Charles Walker,
Sr.**
U.S.M.C.
Private
2nd Marine
Division
WWII
Battles of Tarawa
and Saipan
1942-1944



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WWII
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Engineering
Two Tours in
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Roy A. Moran
U.S. Army Air Corps
PFC
Heavy Truck Driver
Algiers - North
Africa
1942 - 1945



Byron Benitz
US Navy
Boatswain 3rd Class
Tonkin Gulf - Vietnam
Mekong Delta River
Assault Boat
Received Purple Heart
1965 - 1969



**William "Bill"
Juzeler**
U.S. Navy
Cook - First Class
WWII



Richard Harris
U.S. Army
Spec 4
Vietnam
Radar Operator
1965 - 1966



**Alejandro
Gonzalez**
U.S. Navy
Petty Officer 2nd Class
AM2 (AWSW)
Japan and the Middle
East 2004 - Current
Active Duty



**James R.
Cornwell, Jr.**
U.S. Navy
Seaman
Japan
1961 - 1965



**Jammie Jamieson
(Himsl)**
Major
US Air Force
F-22 Fighter Pilot
2000 - Current
Active Duty



**Jessica Phelps
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Major
US Air Force
ROTC Instructor at MIT
in Cambridge, Mass.
2001 - Current Active
Duty



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U.S. Marine Corps
Lieutenant Colonel
Helicopter
Squadron 369
Gulf War



**James C.
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U.S. Army
Sergeant
161st Infantry
Regiment,
Company G
World War II



Clayton E. Horn
U.S. Marine Corps
Corporal
1954-1956



Bethel Deaton
TEC 4
U.S. Army
381 Infantry
Battle of Iwo Jima
WWII



Milford Adcock
U.S. Army
SP-4
502 Battalion
Admin.
1965 - 1968



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Adcock**
SP-4
502 Battalion -
Admin.



Bill Petersen
U.S. Marine Corps
Corporal
3rd Marine Tank
Battalion
1976 - 1979



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PFC
Field Artillery
Germany
1979 - 1981



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SPC
Combat Medic
Bosnia and Iraq
2001 - 2005



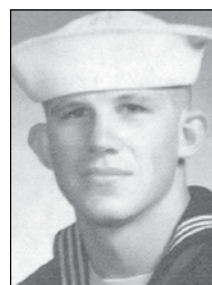
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Petersen**
U.S. Army
PFC
Battery D, 346th
Field Artillery
1917 - 1919



Lyle A. Petersen
U.S. Army
SFC
Armor & Military
Police
Korean Conflict
1944 - 1967



Doug Frailey
SFC
U.S. Navy -
Corpsman
U.S. Army -
Armored Cav
Viet Nam
1966 - 1983



Mark Frailey
Second Class
U.S. Navy
Salvage Diver
Viet Nam
1969 - 1974



Brent Petersen
Master Sergeant
U.S. Marine Corps
C-130 Flight
Engineer
Viet Nam
1969 - 1990



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U.S. Navy
EMC (SS)
Submarine Service
1956 - 1976



Kelly M. Parker
U.S. Navy
1984 - 1988



Jesse H. Cox
U.S.A.F.
1997 - 2008



Steven R. Cox
U.S. Navy
Submarine - USS
Georgia
(Active Duty)



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to 1953
Fought in the
Korean War

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 - the Army's magazine of preventive maintenance.
 - U.S. Air Force



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Mate E-7



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New Guinea,
Papua and the
Phillippines
WWII



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Sergeant
Signal Corps.
1972 - 1983



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U.S. Army
SFC
9th Infantry Division
1972 - 1995



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Senior Chief Machinist
Mate
USS Midway Aircraft
Carrier 1957 - 1987



Burton A. Hall
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Lieutenant Colonel
Aleutian Islands, Alaska
1940-1945



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Jerry Dompier
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Data Systems
Tech, 1st Class, E-6
1959 - 1979



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U.S. Marine Corps
Iraq and Thailand



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Camp Pendleton,
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Oct. 10, 2008



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U.S. Marine Corps
Lance Corporal
Camp Pendleton
- 3rd AABN Echo
Co. 3rd Plt.
Current Active Duty



Virginia Kline
U.S. Army
Specialist 4th
Class - E-4
Mechanic
Fort Drum, New
York
1989 - 1993



Gary Dompier
U.S. Navy
Yeoman Chief Petty
Officer E-7
1959 - 1979



Ryan Whitten
U.S. Navy
Served on USS
Abraham Lincoln; did
two tours in Iraq
2004-present

• "Coffee tastes better if the latrines are dug downstream from an encampment."
- U.S. Army Field Regulations, 1861



Jim Seeber
U.S. Navy
Petty Officer 2nd
class
He served on the
U.S.S. Shae which
was a destroyer
1955-1959



Don Pierce
U.S. Navy 2nd
Class Bosun's Mate
U.S.S. Pine Island
AVIZ
1950 - 1954



Marvin L. Best
USMC
Staff Sergeant
Al Anbar Province
Iraq
1989 - 2004



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Staff Sergeant
Air Force
2007 to present
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Boot camp is old hat to this seasoned veteran

By Richard Burger

The other guys in his boot camp company called him Ol' G.

But when he was about six months shy of his 50th birthday, Spec. 4 James Meador could outrun about a third of the 218 men in his company.

Perhaps he had a bit of an advantage. This wasn't the first time he had been through basic training.

"They told me I inspired them," said Meador.

He joined the U.S. Air Force when he was 18, and served as an enlisted man for 10 years.

However, after Operation Desert Storm, because the military was being scaled down, he was not given the opportunity to re-enlist.

He then joined the National Guard, where he served until he had the opportunity to join the U.S. Army Reserves.

Meador said an Army recruiter did some research into Meador's eligibility to join the Reserves, and discovered that he had not quite exceeded the age limit.

"I just made it under the wire," Meador said.

He was sent to Ft. Benning, Ga., for basic training, and though he welcomed the opportunity to be in the Reserves, he had no illusions about what he would be

facing.

"I knew it was going to be different (than Air Force boot camp)," Meador said. "It was longer and more intense."

The training regimen took some getting used to, he said, "but after the second week, it kind of clicked."

During the 10 weeks of training, he fired a variety of high-tech weapons, such as an anti-tank weapon and a grenade launcher, which he enjoyed.

He also discovered that, even though he hadn't shot a rifle in about 15 years, he hadn't lost his touch.

"I made sharpshooter," he said.

The culmination of the training was what Meador called FTX. His company spent a week marching several miles a day in the woods.

Then, each man strapped on 90 pounds of gear and marched 10 miles out of the woods in the dark.

He characterized the experience as "really emotional."

"The next day, you felt like you got beat," he said.

He completed one more four-week bout of training later, a refresher course in truck driving. That's his official Army job.

Meanwhile, Meador has returned to his regular job as chef at Sunnyside Community Hospital.

However, as a trained Army enlisted man, he is now eligible to be deployed to a war zone.

He said if he is sent overseas, it will be a one-year deployment.

Meador said he's ready for it. The best part of his last stint in boot camp was becoming familiar with the weapons the Army uses now.

"You've got to know what you're doing," he said.



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Spec. 4 James Meador, of Grandview, stands in his dress blues after graduation from U.S. Army boot camp at Ft. Benning, Ga. Meador is quite possibly the holder of the Guinness Book of World records as the oldest man to do so, at 49 1/2 years of age.

'The Greatest Generation'

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The generation is sometimes referred to as the G.I. Generation (a term coined by authors William Strauss and Neil Howe who are known for their generational theory). It follows the Lost Generation who fought in World War I and precedes the Silent Generation who did not come of age until near the end of the war. Baby boomers are mostly the children of the Greatest Generation, although some are also silent generation. Their grandchildren are mostly of Generation X and Generation Y. The youngest members of the Greatest Generation may have Generation Z grandchildren.

The Greatest Generation is generally agreed to have begun in 1901, as those people would have turned 18 after World War I ended. However, people born from 1901 to 1909 came of age during the 1920s and identified more with the culture of that decade than the 1930s and 1940s. The core of the Greatest Generation consists of those born in 1914-1924, with 1925-1927 forming a bridge to the Silent Generation.

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USS R.K. Huntington – South Pacific
1944 - 1946



Kenton R. Childers
Lance Corporal Scout Sniper
US Marine Corps
Hawaii – Sniper Training Afghanistan 2010
2007 – Current Active Duty



Bobby Touchette
U.S. Army
Private First Class
Iraq
Received the Purple Heart



Betty George
U.S. Army Air Corps
Private Cook
World War II



Walt George
U.S. Army
Combat infantry soldier
World War II



Steven Miller
Private First Class
U.S. Army
Iraq – two Army Commendation Medals



Wes Underwood
Master Sergeant
U.S. Air Force
Korea



Aaron Oxford
Sergeant
U.S. Army



Logan Brown
U.S. Army
10th Mountain Division
Current Active Duty



Jordan Brown
U.S. Air Force
Airman
35th Medical Logistics Support Unit
Japan
Current Active Duty



Merlin R. Brown
U.S. Navy
Seaman First Class
Korean War
1950 - 1954



Alex Navarro
U.S. Army



Steven R. Maloy
U.S. Army
Sergeant



Eric Navarro
U.S. Army
SP-5
3rd Infantry



Clarence Laverne Zahn
U.S. Army
PFC
Co. K, 310th Infantry, 78th Division
World War II



Derrick Middleton
U.S. Air Force



Mark Uribe
2nd Intel BN II MEF
Ribbons & medals include:
National Defense Service Medal
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• “The difficult we do immediately. The impossible takes a little while longer.” - U.S. Navy Seabees



Allan Sparks
U.S. Army



Donald Maloy
U.S. Air Force



Janice Kline
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PFC
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Ft. Ord, Calif.
1961 – 1964



Raymond Lee Kline
U.S. Army
Sergeant
Military Intelligence
1990 - 1998

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U.S. Navy – 1951-1955



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U.S. Air Force
Staff Sergeant
374th Logistics
Readiness
Squadron Fuels
Management Flight
Yokota Air Base,
Japan
2001 – Active Duty



Larissa Jean Castilleja
U.S. Army
Spec. 4th Class
Schofield Barracks,
Hawaii and Fort
Hood, Texas
1987-1991



Richard K. Boll
U.S. Navy
1961-1966



Jared Colvig
U.S. Army
Staff Sergeant
Communications
Specialist
Currently on 5th
tour in Afghanistan
Active Duty
Entered Service in
2001



James E. Pickett, Jr.
U.S. Army
SP-4
Fort Benning, Ga.
1984-1988



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U.S. Army Air Corp
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and Vietnam
Retired as Senior
Master Sergeant
1945 – 1986
Grandview High School
Graduate 1945

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Murphy was killed May 28, 1971 with five other men when their twin engine plane crashed into Brush Mountain near Catawaba, Va. He was 46 years old.

Of the 44 films he made between 1948 and 1969, 33 of them were Westerns. Murphy was buried with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery.



Charles Arnold Duran
U.S. Army Air Corps
World War II
1942-1945
Landed on beaches of Normandy on D-Day



Lloyd Van Hollebeke
U.S. Navy
Chief Petty Officer
AWC
1970-1990
USS Kitty Hawk during Vietnam



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U.S. A.F., Served in
Afghanistan, 343rd
Reconnaissance
Squadron, Offutt Air Force
Base, Nebraska



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Sergeant

Richard D. Davis
Specialist US Army

Kathi Proctor
PFC US Army



Seamen Lucas Russell Groom
U.S. Coast Guard
2007- Current Active
Duty
Stationed aboard the
USCG Cutter Eagle
New London, CT.



Corporal Thomas Justin Groom
U.S. Marine Corp
2007- Current
Active Duty
Stationed in Yuma,
AZ



Robert C. Humphreys
Corporal
U.S. Marine Corps
2006 - Current
Active Duty



Thomas E. Luevano
Sgt., Air Force
Desert Shield and
Desert Storm
1985-1993
Avionics specialist



Sharrae Villanueva
U.S. Air Force
Airman 1st Class
Security Forces
Active duty at
Whiteman AFB,
Missouri



Preston Yahne
U.S. Air Force
Currently attending
Security Forces
Tech School
Lackland AFB, San
Antonio, Tx.



Bill Brader
U.S. Army Air
Corps.
1st Lt.
Instructor Pilot
(C-47's) - 1st Troop
Carrier Command
1941-1945



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Commander
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presently U.S.
Marine Corps
Recruiter



Miguel Pineda Jr.
U.S.M.C.
1st Recon & MCB
El Toro
1958 to 1959

• "We are not retreating, we are advancing in another direction."
• "We sleep safely in our beds because rough men stand ready in the night to visit violence on those who would harm us."
- George Orwell



McCorkle Family
Patricia McCorkle, USA Major (veteran on right), and her sons, Justin McCorkle, (left) USA Captain, active duty at Fort Knox, Kentucky, and Isaac McCorkle, USMC Lieutenant, active duty at Quantico, Virginia. This mother and sons have a combined active-duty service record of 36 years. Patricia is a registered nurse at Prosser Memorial Hospital.



Elmer "Al" Felicijan
U.S. Army
Sergeant
1954 - 1960



Jason Baldwin
USAF
1998 - 2002



Bobby Yanez
U.S. Army
Ft. Benning,
Georgia



Don McFerran
U.S. Air Force
Airman First Class
Radio Mechanic
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Interceptor
Squadron
Served in England
in support of the
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1950 - 1952

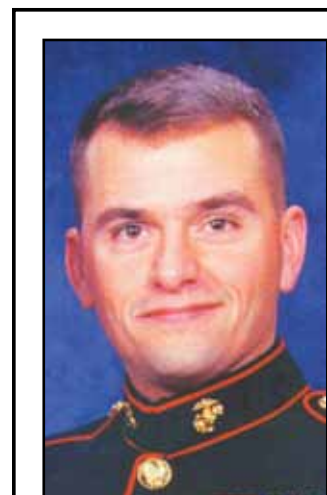


Tanya McCorkle
West Point Cadet
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U.S. Army
First Sergeant
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Freedom
1986 - 2010

• "When in doubt empty the magazine."
• "When the pin is pulled, Mr. Grenade is not our friend."
- U.S. Marine Corps



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James Heintz
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Germany, Vietnam
Sgt. Spec E5



John "Jack" Heintz
U.S. Navy
Alaska
1962 – 1966



Donald Ray McCall
U.S. Navy
Seaman on USS
Paul Revere
1972 - 1974



Donald Harold McCall
U.S. Army
Corporal
1953 – 1955



Larry Benjamin
U.S. Army
1968-1971
Vietnam



Theodore Ted Miland
U.S. Army
Corporal
10th Mountain
Army Division
604th Field Artillery
Battalion
WWII
Wounded in battle of
Mt. Belvedere,
Italy
Purple Heart and
Bronze Star



The VFW National Commander comes to Prosser

Photo submitted

The National Commander of the VFW visited the Prosser VFW Post 3207 in 2011. Pictured (l. – r.) M. Coursey, R. Travaille, Frank Kreis, the National Commander, J. Pickes, Jaime Luna, and E. Heard.



James Glen Aubrey
U.S. Navy
Cook at Pasco
Naval Base
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WWII
1941 - 1945



Don Aubrey
U.S. Army
Sergeant E-5
Army 196th Light
Infantry
1967 – 1969



Calvin Eugene Bradbury
U.S. Army
Private First Class
1943-1946



Dylan K. Bolt
USMC
Lance Corporal
3rd Marines, 3rd
Battalion
Deployed to
Afghanistan
2010 – Present
(Active Duty)



Michelle L. Shaw
U.S. Army
Sergeant First
Class
Drill Sergeant/
Supply Sergeant
Desert Storm
Being Mobilized to
Afghanistan

F. Edward McCall
U.S. Navy
Quartermaster 1st
Class
Minesweeper #216
1942 – 1945

James Howard McCall
U.S. Navy
Served on
Destroyer
Pacific Theater
1942 - 1948

John Jack McCall
U.S. Navy
1945 – 1947



Ross Mellor
U.S. Army
Sergeant
98th Infantry
Division
Pacific Theater
1942 – 1946



Gary M. Travis
U.S.M.C.
Staff Sergeant
Linguist
1990 - 1999
PHS Graduate
1990

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- George Orwell Military Quote

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 - “Things are more like they are now than they ever were before.”
- Dwight D Eisenhower

- “When the pin is pulled, Mr. Grenade is not our friend.”
- U.S. Marine Corps



VFW coupon program gears up for holidays

By Richard Burger

Despite the loss of the Grandview VFW Post building, the coupon program headed by Louise Bianchi marches ahead.

Bianchi said last week that she is still collecting coupons. The Grandview program is part of a statewide VFW program that collects and sends the coupons to bases manned by every branch of the military service.

She collects hundreds of thousands of coupons which she ships to overseas military bases around the world for use by the families stationed there.

"We definitely plan on keeping it up, no matter what happens," Bianchi said. "Those families need our help."

Currently, the coupons can be dropped off by community members at the *Grandview Herald* office.

Despite what seems like an avalanche of coupons that flow out, Bianchi said more are always needed.

She said the list of bases that are served has doubled over the last three or four years.

That list is developed and maintained by the state VFW organization, Bianchi said.

Military families that receive the coupons use them in their base commissary for food items and in the base PX for non-food items.

The value of the coupons is staggering, Bianchi said coupons sent between July of 2010 and Jan. 1, 2011 totaled more than \$178,000.

In addition to the coupons that typically come through newspaper promotions, Bianchi said she also collects box tops, soup labels, biscuit containers, and other sources.

Bianchi expressed her appreciation to the Grandview community for the coupons they provide to her, but she can always use lots more.

For those who would like to help, she suggests gathering the coupons for a while, then turning them in when they accumulate.

"I put mine in an envelope," she said, "and when I get a bunch, I send

Flag etiquette



Submitted photo
Students at Harriet Thompson Elementary get a lesson in the proper way to fold the American Flag from Jim Davidson, a long time scoutmaster for the Boy Scouts and a member of the American Legion. Pictured, from left, Serelle Thorpe, Andrea Laurean, Alejandra Clara, Anthony Cromwell, Angel Ramirez, A.J. Hultberg, Jim Davidson, Daniel Flag, and David Bruinekool.

them in."

Bianchi said she is also collecting donations for the Christmas care packages to be sent to military personnel overseas.

In addition, she is moving ahead with a program that provides quilts for wounded military personnel recovering in hospital trauma units.

Those interested in making donations or in providing quilts for the wounded are encouraged to contact Bianchi at 509-781-0730.

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Wreaths Across America deadline near

By Richard Burger

The deadline for ordering wreaths for the Wreaths Across America program is less than a week away, and community members who wish to participate are encouraged to place their wreath orders soon.

Grandview will participate in the program for the second time this year.

It began at Arlington National Cemetery and now includes more than 500 cemeteries across the nation.

Wreaths Across America is sponsored by the Gold Star Mothers of Washington and assisted by Grandview's American Legion Post 57.

Grandview Gold Star Mother Ginger Emerson is spearheading the program here.

The objective of the program is threefold.

It will be to remember the service and sacrifice of veterans and to honor them by placing a Christmas wreath at as many veterans' graves as possible in a ceremony on Saturday, Dec. 15, at the Grandview Cemetery.

It also provides the opportunity to teach young people about the importance of honoring those who have served in the U.S. military.

Emerson said there are about 460 veterans' graves in the Grandview Cemetery, one dating back to the Civil War.

The local ceremony will coincide with the placing of a wreath on the grave of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery, and will take place at exactly 9 a.m., Emerson said.

The ceremony in Grandview will be the same as the one carried out at every participating community from coast to coast.

"It is a solemn and wonderful ceremony," Emerson said.

It will include the placement of seven ceremonial wreaths, one for each branch of the military, one for the merchant marine service, and one for POW/MIA personnel.

Wreaths may be purchased for \$15 each and \$5 of each one purchased will go to the Gold Star Mothers of Washington organization to help support their programs, Emerson said.

Family donations of \$60 will purchase 4 wreaths, small business donations of \$150 will purchase 10 wreaths and corporate donations of \$1,500 will purchase 100 wreaths.

Emerson said volunteers are also needed to help with the laying of the wreaths.

She said her hope is that the program will continue annually and expand to Sunnyside and Prosser in coming years.

"We are asking people to either honor specific veterans or donate to decorate a veteran's grave at the cemetery," she said.

Orders for wreaths may be placed through Nov. 15.

To obtain order information or arrange for a presentation about the program to a local group, call Emerson at 882-3801, Bev Schliep at 882-3191.

Wreaths Across America also has a web site at www.wreathscrossamerica.org, where wreaths can be ordered. Ordering online requires the use of special codes that are included in the information in the program brochures.

The brochures are available at McClure Elementary School, the *Grandview Herald* office, and at Grandview City Hall.

The Gold Star Mothers of Washington is made up of mothers who have lost a child in service to their country. Emerson's son Matt died in Iraq in 2007.



Photo by Richard Burger
Grandview Gold Star Mother Ginger Emerson shares plans for the Wreaths Across America program with the Grandview Chamber of Commerce Oct. 4. For the second year, the program seeks to place a Christmas wreath at the grave of as many veterans as possible in the Grandview Cemetery. The ceremony this year will be held on Dec. 15, at 9 a.m. sharp.

• "I hate war as only a soldier who has lived it can, only as one who has seen its brutality, its futility, its stupidity."
 - Dwight D Eisenhower
 • "If God had meant for us to be in the Army, we would have been born with green, baggy skin."

Fast War Facts

The shortest war on record took place in 1896 when Zanzibar surrendered to Britain after 38 minutes.

The longest was the so-called 100-years war between Britain and France. It actually lasted 116 years, ending in 1453.

It was during the 100-years war that direct taxation on income was introduced, a British invention designed to finance the war with France.

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Awards and decorations for military

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The **Bronze Star Medal** is an individual military award of the United States Armed Forces. It may be awarded for acts of heroism, acts of merit, or meritorious service in a combat zone. When awarded for acts of heroism, the medal is awarded with the "V" device.



The medal is sometimes referred to as the **Bronze Star** and is the fourth-highest combat decoration and the ninth highest U.S. military award in order of precedence

The **Silver Star**, referred to as the **Silver Star Medal** by the Navy and Marine Corps, is the third highest military decoration for valor that can be awarded to any person serving in any capacity with the United States Armed Forces. The medal is awarded for gallantry in action against an enemy of the United States.



The **Purple Heart** is a United States military decoration awarded in the name of the President to those who have been wounded or killed while serving on or after April 5, 1917 with the U.S. military. With its forerunner, the Badge of Military Merit, which took the form of a heart made of purple cloth, the Purple Heart is the oldest military award that is still given to members of the U.S. military, the only earlier award being the obsolete Fidelity Medallion. The National Purple Heart Hall of Honor is located in New Windsor, New York.



The **Medal of Honor** is the United States of America's highest military honor, awarded for acts of valor above and beyond the call of duty. The medal is awarded by the President of the United States in the name of Congress. Although the medal is sometimes referred to as the **Congressional Medal of Honor**, the original and official title is the "Medal of Honor". There are three versions of the medal, one for the Army, one for the Navy, and one for the Air Force. Members of the Marine Corps and Coast Guard receive the Navy version.

The Medal of Honor is usually presented by the President at the White House in a formal ceremony intended to represent the gratitude of the American people.

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Where we could take a gun;
In the snow of far-off Northern lands
And in sunny tropic scenes;
You will find us always on the job--
The United States Marines.
Here's health to you and to our Corps

Which we are proud to serve
In many a strife we've fought for life
And never lost our nerve;
If the Army and the Navy
Ever look on Heaven's scenes;
They will find the streets are guarded
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Fast War Facts

During the 1991 Gulf War, the Allies dropped more than 17,000 smart bombs and 210,000 dumb (unguided) bombs on Iraqi troops. About 50% of arms exports go to non-democratic regimes.

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