

THE 29TH DIVISION ASSOCIATION



October 10 – October 13, 2019
Virginia Beach, Virginia



The 75th Anniversary of D-Day 6 June 1944 — 6 June 2019



Brigadier General Robert Frick, Deputy Commanding General of the 29th Division, lays a wreath in Saint Clair-sur-Elle, France. The monument expresses the eternal gratitude of the people of Normandy for the liberation of their town in 1944.



101st Annual National Convention & Reunion 1918 - 2019



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IN MEMORY of MAJ GEORGE B. FARIES

And in honor of the men of the 104th Medical Battalion, by Dr. Faries' Children



"Sunday in Normandy" by Lawrence Beall Smith of a collecting station of the 104th Med Bn outside St. Lo.

Major Faries, born in 1899, volunteered for active duty as Regimental Surgeon of the 190th FA in January, 1941. After Camp Shelby and the Carolina maneuvers he shipped on the Queen Elizabeth to the British Isles in September, 1942. As the invasion drew near, he was offered a position in the rear, but instead chose to transfer to the 29th Division in January, 1944, to take part in the D-Day invasion as XO of the 104th Med. Bn. Major Faries served in the campaigns of Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland, and Central Europe, receiving the Bronze Star, the European Campaign Ribbon with four Battle Stars, and the Amphibious Invasion Arrowhead, the American Defense Medal, and the Meritorious Unit Citation. In December, 1945, he was discharged with the rank of Lt. Colonel and returned to his general medical practice in Lewisburg, PA.



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101st National Reunion

Four-Day Schedule of Events

HOURS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2019

1200 - 2000 REGISTRATION DESK OPEN — (North Lobby)
1500 - 2300 HOSPITALITY ROOM OPEN — (Mariner Room)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2019

0900 - 1800 REGISTRATION DESK OPEN — (North Lobby)
0900 - 1500 BUS TRIP TO MILITARY AVIATION MUSEUM
AND CAMP PENDLETON (SMR)
Lunch at the Military Aviation Museum.
1500 - 1700 HOSPITALITY ROOM OPEN — (Mariner Room)
1800 - 2030 BUFFET DINNER — Open Seating — (Cape Charles - A)
2100 - 2300 HOSPITALITY ROOM OPEN — (Mariner Room)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2019

0800 - 0845 REGISTRATION DESK OPEN — (North Lobby)
0900 - 1200 BUSINESS MEETING — (False Cape - B)
1200 - 1300 LUNCH — On your own
1300 - 1430 BUSINESS MEETING - *continued* — (False Cape - B)
1430 - 1600 POST COMMANDER'S WORKSHOP — (False Cape - B)
1500 - 1700 HOSPITALITY ROOM OPEN — (Mariner Room)
1800 - 2030 PLATED DINNER — Assigned Seating — (Cape Charles - A)
2100 - 2400 HOSPITALITY ROOM OPEN — (Mariner Room)


SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2019

0930 - 1100 MEMORIAL SERVICE — (Cape Charles - A)
1100 - 1115 NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING I — (Cape Charles - A)
(Members Only)

DEPART FOR HOME

See you next year!

Front cover photo by Neil Ungerleider, Post 93.

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National Convention & Annual Reunion 2019

The 29th Division Association, Inc.

Reunion Committee

Host: National Headquarters

Chairman: National Commander, J. David Leighton, Post 64

Outside Tours: National Commander, J. David Leighton, Post 64

Treasurer: National Finance Officer, Tom Knight, Post 85

Hospitality Room: The Ladies of Post 64 along with Jeff Banik

Registration: National Executive Director, William S. Mund, Jr., Post 94

Dining Arrangements: National Adjutant, Valerie Simmers, Post 85

Souvenir Program Book


Editor & Publisher: William S. Mund, Jr., Post 94

Composition & Pagination: William S. Mund, Jr., Post 94

Printer: Advance Printing, Inc., Baltimore, Maryland

Appreciation

We are deeply grateful to everyone behind the scenes who have helped make this Reunion possible, and express our sincere appreciation for all their help. We welcome you and trust you will have a relaxing and memorable stay.

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NATIONAL COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



Welcome to the 101st Annual Convention and Reunion of the 29th Division Association. Virginia Beach was selected in part due to its long and proud relationship with the United States military. A more central location for travel was another factor, and lastly, who doesn't enjoy the beach!

I am very excited about our scheduled activities this year. On Friday morning, we will visit the Military Aviation Museum which displays WWI and WWII aircraft from the U.S. Army, U.S. Navy and several European countries. In the afternoon, we will visit the State Military Reservation (SMR) where the Adjutant General of Virginia, MG Timothy Williams will speak about the history of Camp Pendleton and how it is used today.

On Saturday we will conduct the annual business meeting with a review of last year's accomplishments and goals for next year. In the evening, we are fortunate to have as our guest speaker, MG John M. Epperly, Commander of the 29th Infantry Division.

I want to offer my sincere thanks to Post 64 for helping with the planning of our Convention again this year. As the National Commander, I have a new appreciation for all the effort and hard work required to ensure the Convention is a success. Also, I want to express my appreciation to PNC David Ginsburg, PNC Bill King, and PNC Grant Hayden for showing me the ropes and providing support. I also would like to thank Will Mund, National Executive Director, for all of his valuable help getting me through this year.

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as your National Commander. I am confident that your next Commander, Pete Hinz, will serve us well and carry on our momentum for growing the 29th Division Association.

"29, Let's Go"

J. David Leighton
National Commander
2018-2019

PAST NATIONAL COMMANDERS



Hugh J. Gallagher



Robert L. "Bob" Recker



Charles W. "Buck" Lockard

We, the Past National Commanders, lament the passing of our comrades Hugh J. Gallagher, Robert L. "Bob" Recker and Charles W. "Buck" Lockard. We extend our sincere sympathy to their family and friends.

We, who have had the honor of leading this great organization, again thank you for allowing us this privilege. We welcome all 29ers, and their guests, to this our 101st National Reunion and Convention

We thank our National Commander, J. David Leighton for his dedication and leadership this past year and welcome him into our group. We pledge our support to the incoming National Commander and his staff.

1992-93 PAUL C. WINTERS
1993-94 DONALD M. McKEE
1997-98 JOSEPH J. MOSCATI
2004-05 JOHN E. WILCOX, JR.
2007-08 WILLIAM A. KING
2008-09 ROBERT L. FINN
2009-10 ROBERT MOSCATI

2011-12 IVAN V. DOOLEY
2012-13 JOSEPH H. ZANG
2015-16 DAVID H. GINSBURG
2016-17 ROBERT E. WISCH
2017-18 GRANT L. HAYDEN
2018-19 J. DAVID LEIGHTON

Preamble


To perpetuate the friendships we cherish; to keep alive the spirit that never knew defeat; to glorify our dead, and to further keep before our country, the record of the 29th Division in all wars; we associate ourselves in an organization known as the 29th Division Association.

In memory of those

Past National Commanders

who have answered the last roll call!

1919-22 MILTON RECKORD	1967-68 ALBERT MARKS
1922-30 HAROLD CONTENT	1968-69 WALTER E. ECKERT
1930-31 J. H. LEPPER	1969-70 JAMES A. McCLELLAN
1931-32 FAIRFIELD H. HODGES	1970-71 WILLIAM C. MILLER
1932-33 DUDLEY BROWN	1971-72 JOHN H. WONER
1933-34 MICHAEL BREITKOPF	1972-73 HARRY M. RICHARDSON
1934-35 JAMES F. BURNS	1973-74 ELMER A. WINDSOR
1935-36 WALTER E. BLACK	1974-75 JOHN P. BRAUN
1936-37 CHARLES E. BORLAND	1975-76 ANDREW W. McFADZEAN
1937-38 J. FRED CHASE	1976-77 WESTLEY J. LOFTUS
1938-39 JAMES E. BENTLEY	1977-78 LESTER E. MEREDITH
1939-40 RICHARD E. O'CONNELL	1978-79 FRANK J. PEARSON, JR.
1940-41 J. DENNET JONES	1979-80 GEORGE G. BORAM
1941-42 MILTON E. GROOME	1980-81 REGINALD E. GARMAN
1942-43 GEORGE A. BROWN	1981-82 HUGH J. GALLAGHER
1943-44 CHARLES F. HOFFMAN	1982-83 HARVEY D. FOLKS
1944-45 WILLIAM C. NICKLAS	1983-84 FLOYD E. BALL
1945-46 SAMUEL W. BARROW	1984-85 HENRY M. TOWNSEND
1946-47 JOHN B. BROWN	1985-86 JOHN M. MILANOVICH
1947-48 JOHN M. TORZEWSKI	1986-87 PAUL R. JEFFERY
1948-49 JOHN F. VAN HORN	1987-88 MILTON L. ALIFF
1949-50 JAMES M. STEVENS	1988-89 CHARLES A. LUSBY
1950-51 CHARLES R. BRYAN	1989-90 CHARLES J. CUMMINGS
1951-52 FRANK A. JOSKEY	1990-91 ROBERT M. MILLER
1952-53 G. WALTER BROOKS	1991-92 BOYD M. COOK
1953-54 DONALD L. SHELDON	1994-95 WILLIAM F. BRIGGMAN
1954-55 WILLIAM GUTHRIE	1995-96 DONALD A. McCARTHY
1955-56 FRANCIS S. BRIGHAM	1996-97 ALVIN D. UNGERLEIDER
1956-57 ALEX M. SHIELDS	1998-99 A. F. "Bud" WILLIS
1957-58 BENJAMIN F. CASSELL	2000-01 DONALD C. VAN ROOSEN
1958-59 HAROLD P. O'HORA	2001-02 RICHARD L. "Dick" SMITH
1959-60 FRANK G. OBERLE	2002-03 WILLIAM C. McCLEAF
1960-61 JAMES D. SINK	2003-04 GLENWOOD E. HANKINS
1961-62 LOUIS C. CICCONE	2005-06 GEORGE F. COOK
1962-63 SAMUEL R. KRAUSS	2006-07 ROBERT L. "Bob" RECKER
1963-64 LEROY J. PENNINGTON	2010-11 CHARLES W. "Buck" LOCKARD
1964-65 CLYDE D. WILSON	2013-14 JOHN F. "Jack" KUTCHER, SR.
1965-66 LOUIS M. GORSOM	2014-15 I. JOHN VACCARINO
1966-67 JOHN R. BONNEY	

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In Memory of



Samuel R. Krauss


June 18, 1916 — February 20, 2013

Company A

116th Infantry Regiment

D-Day

Past National Commander 1962-1963

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*In memory of our Father, Grandfather & Great-Grandfather, Bill Doyle.
With love, from your Children, Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren.*



C Company, 175th Infantry Regiment

In Honor of our
World War II Veterans
of
“C” Company Luncheon Group:
Bill Doyle, Bill Douglas, Nelson Horan,
Sam Krauss and Steve Melnikoff



Past Limestone Post #1-72 Commander George E. Linthicum III
Past National Commander Robert E. Lee Wisch



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Commander**

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**Sean P. Malloy
Commander**

**Eric G. Smith
Vice-Commander**

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Best Wishes 29'ers

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 Chaplain
 Welfare Officer
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 Trustee (1 Year)
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 Executive Board (Appointed)

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 William Rosier
 Derek Fish
 Walter Dyky
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 William D. Wolf
 B. J. Foreman
 Joseph Marschall
 Tom Devore
 Charles Foreman
 Butch Strickland
 Junior Fisher
 James Eckard
 Junior Fisher
 Richard Stem
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IN MEMORY



of
The Soldiers
of the
116th Infantry Regiment
who
Gave Their Lives For America

1741 to 2018

from

Post 64



“The patriot volunteer, fighting for his nation and his rights, makes the most reliable soldier to be found on this earth.”

BG Thomas J. “Stonewall” Jackson

EDER-GEORGE POST 85

29TH DIVISION ASSOCIATION, INC.



29 Let's Go



TO OUR BRAVE COMRADES WHO SERVED AND DIED
IN WORLD WAR I, WORLD WAR II & THOSE OTHER
CONFLICTS SINCE AND PRESENT
"WE SALUTE YOU"



29th COMBAT AVIATION BRIGADE and
COMPANY E 115th INFANTRY REGIMENT
29th INFANTRY DIVISION
ELKTON, MARYLAND

Greetings One and All

Post 175 Finleyville — Cannon Company

175th Infantry Regiment — WWII

Earl Acuff (TN)
 R. Anderson (AL)
 Cooper Barrett (OH)
 Fred Cregar (IN)
 L. B. McClain (NY)
 C. McDonald (NY)
 C. McEwell (PA)
 Sgt. Smithe
 Anthony Terracciano (NY)
 Michael R. Tetro (NY)
 J. B. Turner (DE)
 J. Yancheski (PA)
 R. Yenke (PA)

Raymond Kearney (NY)
 Joseph Kmet (NY)
 Robert L. Lang (PA)
 Edward Marken (OH)
 Albert Richie (NJ)
 Frank Silveis (MA)
 Albert Garrity (NJ)
 A. "Shorty" Hall (WV)
 Clifton C. Hamby (MS)
 C. Hoffman (PA)
 Phillip Holmes (CO)
 J. B. Jones (MS)
 Al Zablocki (PA)

Earl Payne (OR)
 E. Pederson (MN)
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 Don Phillips (WI)
 Frank Dwyer (NY)
 W. Fleming (NY)
 M. Melniczyne (PA)
 Earl McMenimin (PA)
 H. Miller (MD)
 L. Mostowitz (NY)
 Gilbert Mules (MD)
 Henry Paulinski (IN)

"29, Let's Go!"

IN MEMORY OF

Brig. Gen. George G. Boram (MD)
 George Ackerman (MD)
 Earl Atketson (TN)
 Ivan Blake (VA)
 Robert Britt (VA)
 William Britton (SC)
 R. A. Brown (TN)
 Peter Cantrell (KY)
 Giles Carter (TN)
 John V. Carey (NY)
 Michael Chrismar (PA)
 Grover Clanton (AL)
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 Henry Gatliff (CA)
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 Frank Gourley (TN)
 Oscar Grove (MD)
 Bill Guest (TN)
 Stanley Guzik (MD)
 Ameal "Shorty" Hammond (MS)
 Kenneth Hodge (TN)
 William Holman (CA)
 Alex Hudspeth (NC)
 John Hughes (PA)
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 Robert Sinclair (MD)

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 Tom Kelly (NY)
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 H. Landis (PA)
 Phil Lee (TX)
 Joseph Lemay (PA)
 Henry Lewis (SC)
 Jack Lotto (NY)
 Ben Luffman (NY)
 Lane Mack (PA)
 John J. Martin (NJ)
 Wm. T. Mason (MD)
 Ed McCaffrey (MD)
 John "Jack" McGinty (PA)
 Edward Molcan (NY)
 Robert Morrow (MD)
 George Mulhearn (PA)
 DeWitt B. Nance (NC)
 Peter Nasti (MA)
 Egbert Owens (TN)
 Frank Parks (MS)
 Phillip M. Paul (PA)

Ed Pfeiffer (PA)
 J. Pfeiffer (PA)
 Stan Phelps (MD)
 Lee Porter (TN)
 Al Prince (PA)
 Robert Ragsdale (TN)
 James Richardson (PA) 116th
 Ken Robenolt (PA)
 Charles Roberson (TN)
 Edward "Red" Rohe (MD)
 John Roholack (PA)
 Jose "Joe" Rubio (TX)
 Houston "Red" Russell (TN)
 Howard Sampson (VA)
 Jack Shirley (OH)
 Louis Stabler (OR)
 Robert Storch (WA)
 Harold Swilling (NC)
 Melvin R. Thompson (PA)
 James Thorne (TN)
 John Urenko (PA)
 Alvin Villhauer (SD)
 Hyman Weber (NY)
 Arthur J. Werner (WY)
 Glenwood Whittaker (MO)
 Luther York (TN)
 Tom Young (PA)
 Emory Domen (PA)



29th Division Association, Inc.
 Lantern Post 729
 P.O. Box 831
 Waynesboro, PA 17268




“29 Let’s Go”

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Commander Randall Beamer
 Vice Commander Steve Zabatakis
 Adjutant David Yohman
 Finance Officer Richard Happel, Jr.
 Chaplain Leon Harbaugh
 Ways & Means Ward Simmons
 Sgt at Arms Randall Beamer
 Welfare Officer Carl Batzel
 Judge Advocate Donald Hurley
 Public Relations Gregory Mason
 Historian Ralph Scruton
 Trustee Robert Kint
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Post Meetings, 3rd THURSDAY of each month at 8:00 AM at the
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AND ALL TWENTY-NINERS**

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John Gamber

Big Chief

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Walt Cayce

Little Chief



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Miriam Jennings

Wampum Chief

Ivan Dooley

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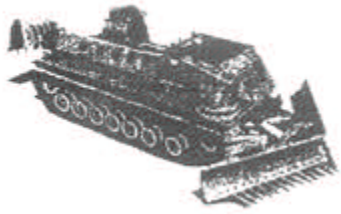
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To all our friends and comrades of the 29th Division Association

Have a great 101st Reunion!





**To the 121st Combat Engineers of the
29th Infantry Division
World War II
Omaha Beach 0630, 6 June 1944
A job well done
“29 Let’s Go”**



**121st Engineer Battalion Association
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COL (MD) Albert Schweizer
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IN MEMORY OF MAY THEY ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED



CALVIN W. WACHTER
JUNE 8, 1896 - NOVEMBER 4, 1996
COMPANY A
115TH INFANTRY REGIMENT
CPL - WORLD WAR I

RALPH T. BELL
AUGUST 4, 1914 - MARCH 20, 1987
HQ COMPANY
115TH INFANTRY REGIMENT
T/SGT - WORLD WAR II

RONALD F. SIER
OCTOBER 23, 1920 - JUNE 18, 1944
COMPANY A
115TH INFANTRY REGIMENT
PFC - WORLD WAR II (KIA)

THOMAS E. MILLER
MAY 8, 1926 - APRIL 10, 1945
COMPANY A
7TH BN MARYLAND STATE GUARD
PVT - WORLD WAR II (KIA)

ROBERT E. BELL
FEBRUARY 20, 1921 - JUNE 20, 2003
HQ COMPANY
115TH INFANTRY REGIMENT
T/SGT - WORLD WAR II

JOHN B. EPPLEY
APRIL 5, 1925 - AUGUST 21, 1988
10TH ARMORED DIVISION
BATTLE OF THE BULGE
PFC - WORLD WAR II

LEWIS T. BELL
UNITED STATES ARMY
92ND ARMORED FIELD ARTILLERY
(RED DEVILS)
SSG - KOREAN WAR





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UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
MARINE AIR SUPPORT SQUADRON 3
III MARINE AIR WING
SGT - OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM

CHRISTINA I. (BELL) WILCOX
1SG (RET) JOHN E. WILCOX, JR.

PAST NATIONAL COMMANDER 2004-2005, NATIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 2002-2014

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*Best wishes to all 29ers.
May you have a memorable
101st Reunion & Convention.*



JOHN & VIVIAN ELWOOD
Gambrills, Maryland
Post 85



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RESTORATION**

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NORFOLK POST #5
29th Division Association, Inc.
Norfolk, Virginia



"29, Let's Go!"



**Memorial Monument to WWII Comrades, 111th FA BN,
 29th Infantry Division, at Forest Lawn Cemetery, Norfolk, VA**

**The Membership of Norfolk Post 5 Extends Greetings and
 Best Wishes for a Successful and Memorable
 101st Annual National Convention in Virginia Beach, VA.**



Post 29



29th Division Association, Inc.

4800 Jeff Davis Highway

Bldg. 430, Richmond, VA 23297



Hugh Adams, Joseph Antosiak, Matt Bailey, Donald Bailey, Alexander Barnes, Scott Carlin, Carroll Childers, Monica Cole, Cliff Cole, Bryan Coleman, Nicole Camacho, Douglas Ferguson, Gregory Henrich, Carl Holcomb, Jim Holden, Carlos Hopkins, Caroline Hubbard, Todd Hubbard, David Jarrett, James Jennings, Chris Johnson, Jay Lytle, William Mahoney, Byron Marshall, Charlie Martin, Christopher Mayhew, John McLees, Charles Miller, Henry Motley, Colin Noyes, Curtis Padgett, Ed Paris, Joseph Puckett, Cotton Puryear, James Ring, John Ronkartz, Kenneth Ryals, Jaycee Shaver, Joanne Smith, Paul Smith, Christian Stock, Shawn Talmadge, William Taylor, Bruce Thomas, Arthur Verburg, Eddie Whitt, Timothy Williams.

Greetings and Best Wishes for a Successful and Fun Convention!

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29'ers, their families,
descendants and
those of all units attached to the
29th Division.**



From left to right, front row: George Linthicum; Robert Wisch; Houston Matney; Lee Hofmann; Grant Hayden; Hall Worthington; Jim Laughland. Back row: William Held, Sr.; Steve Melnikoff; Mike Krauss; Bill DeHaven; Milt Davis; J. Brian Becker; Frank Shilow; Ed Koehler and Richard DeSimone.



Post 1-72 meetings are held at 11:00 am on the third Monday of each month in the Veteran Corps Quarters at the Fifth Regiment Armory, in Baltimore, Maryland, the home of the award winning Maryland Museum of Military History.

In memory of
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Post 1-72 laments the passing of PNC Robert L. "Bob" Recker and respectfully dedicates this page to him.

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Chief Warrant Officer 4, Charles W. "Buck" Lockard, Sr., served in the Maryland Army National Guard for 41 years. In 2010, he was elected National Commander of the 29th Division Association, Inc. Post 78 laments the passing of PNC Lockard and respectfully dedicates this page to him.

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
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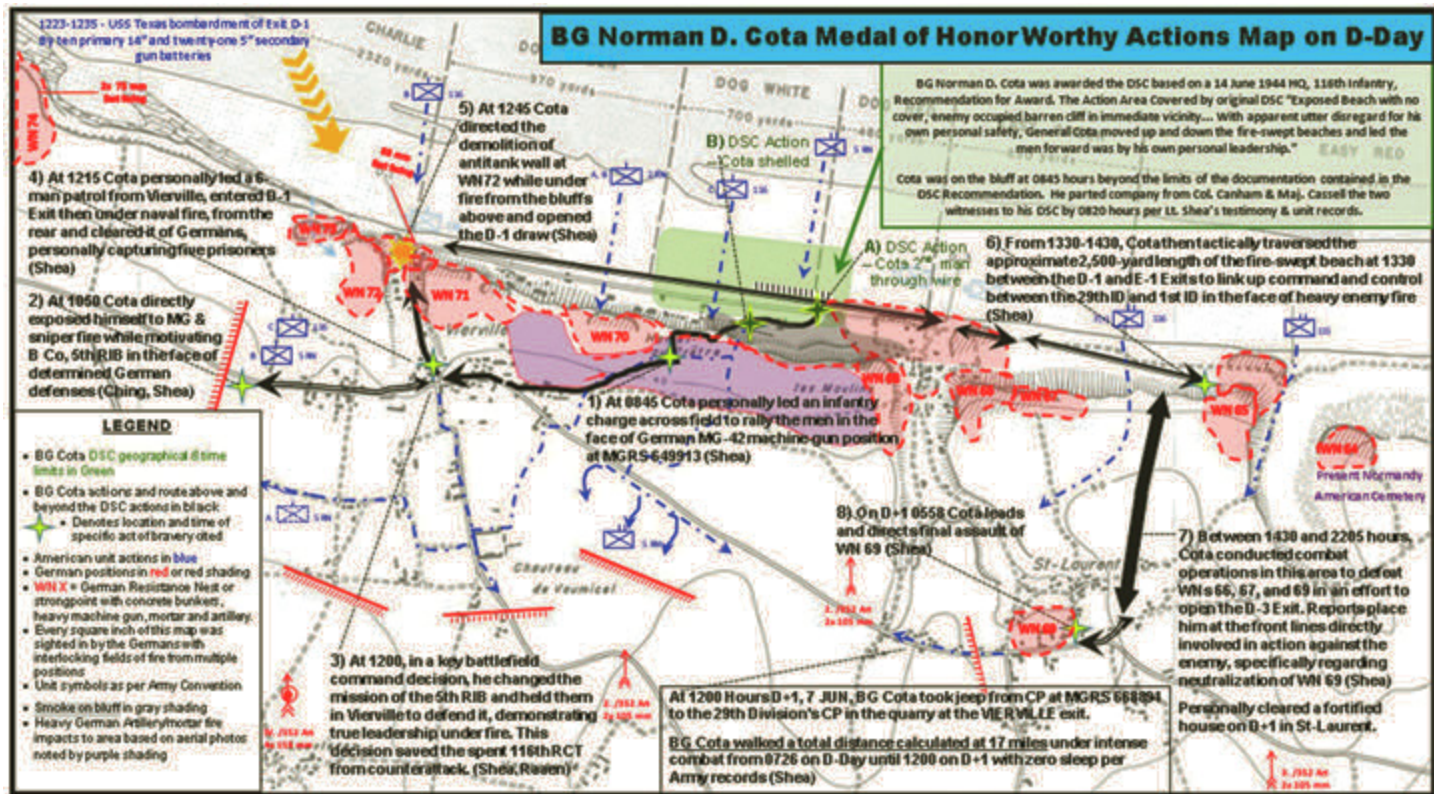


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Brigadier General Norman D. Cota Recommended to Pentagon for upgrade of DSC to Medal of Honor

On D-Day, when Brigadier General Norman Daniel Cota landed on Omaha Beach at Dog White, he was the oldest man on the beach. His actions that day serve as a model in battlefield leadership and willingness to serve in the face of overwhelming opposition and against long odds. In August 2018, a bi-partisan Congressional group under the leadership of the Honorable Senator Pat Roberts of Kansas submitted a letter to the Army to formally request an upgrade of the Distinguished Service Cross (DSC) to the Medal of Honor (MOH) for General Cota. This effort has been intense and has active support from MG Epperly, CG, 29th Infantry Division, and former CGs, MG Ortner (still on active duty), MG Whittington (currently at NGB), MG Langley (Ret), MG Hayden (Ret), MG Long (Ret), MG Batts (Ret), MG Childers (Ret), LTG Blum (Ret) and distinguished 29th Infantry Division Historian, Joe Balkoski among others. The Award Recommendation was accompanied by new eyewitness statements from our D-Day brethren from the 5th Ranger Infantry Battalion, MG John C. Raean, Jr. (Ret) and Pfc Randall Ching. We are very excited to make the Association aware of this activity as this honor for General Cota is long overdue.

On July 29, 1944, AP Correspondent Don Whitehead wrote "When Brig. Gen. Norman Daniel Cota sings to himself, the boys of the 29th Division know everything is moving along smoothly. But when the general doesn't sing, there's something wrong... He usually is found around the front lines where the fighting is toughest, and he moves with complete disregard for his own safety, finding out for himself what is going on and cheering up his men with his good humor." General Cota saw something in the battlefield no one else did and discerned a path to victory. He understood instantly that the draws were death, not conquerable in a frontal assault. The only way to win was to switch tactics completely and send the men to the top of the bluffs and take the Germans from the ridge line.

This remembrance from the joint effort of Carroll D. Childers, MG (USA Retired - 15th CG 29IID), 1996-1999, and Noel Mehlo, chief researcher for Cota DSC-to-MOH upgrade.

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Cota was the driving force in the two most important actions on D-Day. He personally led the stalled 1st BN, 116th INF off the beach and personally opened the Vierville draw to 32 tanks of the 743rd TK BN, 11 functioning guns of the 58th Armored FA BN and other vehicular units. These heavy weapons could not engage targets beyond the mask of the bluffs from the beach. As illustrated on the adjoining map, BG Cota was all over the battlespace of the 29th Infantry Division on the western half of Omaha Beach during the assault. He walked, climbed, crawled or ran an astounding 17 miles under intense enemy fire! This distance was calculated using verifiable times and positions for the General based on Army records.

On December 6, 1945, MG Charles H. Gerhardt, CG, 29th Infantry Division wrote a statement that appears in Cota's Military Personnel Records, "His performance in the field as a combat commander, as a tactician, and as a courageous leader were unsurpassed, and his conduct under fire on Omaha Beach on D-Day has become legend among the troops of the Division ... It can be stated without reservation that his contribution to the 29th Infantry Division and through it to the United States Government was prodigious". In support of this effort, LTG H Steven Blum (Ret) wrote, "Upon examination of the totality of Cota's Omaha Beach actions during the D-Day operation, one can strongly make a direct parallel with COL Joshua Chamberlain's actions at Gettysburg. In both cases, the outcome of these critical battles were inextricably resultant of the personal exceptional valor, the courageous and decisive actions and orders of these leaders that tipped a precarious balance. Neither Gettysburg, nor Omaha Beach, would have had the successful outcomes now recorded in our military history, if it were not for their personal presence and actions that day." Say a prayer, stay informed and sing a tune on behalf of our beloved General for success in this endeavor!
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


Annual Wreath Laying at Arlington National Cemetery in June 2018 for which Post 94 was the proud sponsor.

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In memory of
James A. Baber, III



**Commanding General
29th Infantry Division (Light), 1985-1987**

Major General James A. Baber, III, passed away on 29 April 2017. Upon the division's reactivation in 1985, MG Baber assumed command. In civilian life, MG Baber was a lawyer practicing in Richmond, Virginia. Upon his retirement from the military, he was designated as a Lieutenant General in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

The General always displayed the highest sense of loyalty to his Men, his Commanders, and his Staff during a very challenging period – it was an honor to serve as his Chief of Staff. The example he set as Commander was in keeping with the highest traditions of our motto -"29 Let's Go!"

BG (ret) Bill Bilo

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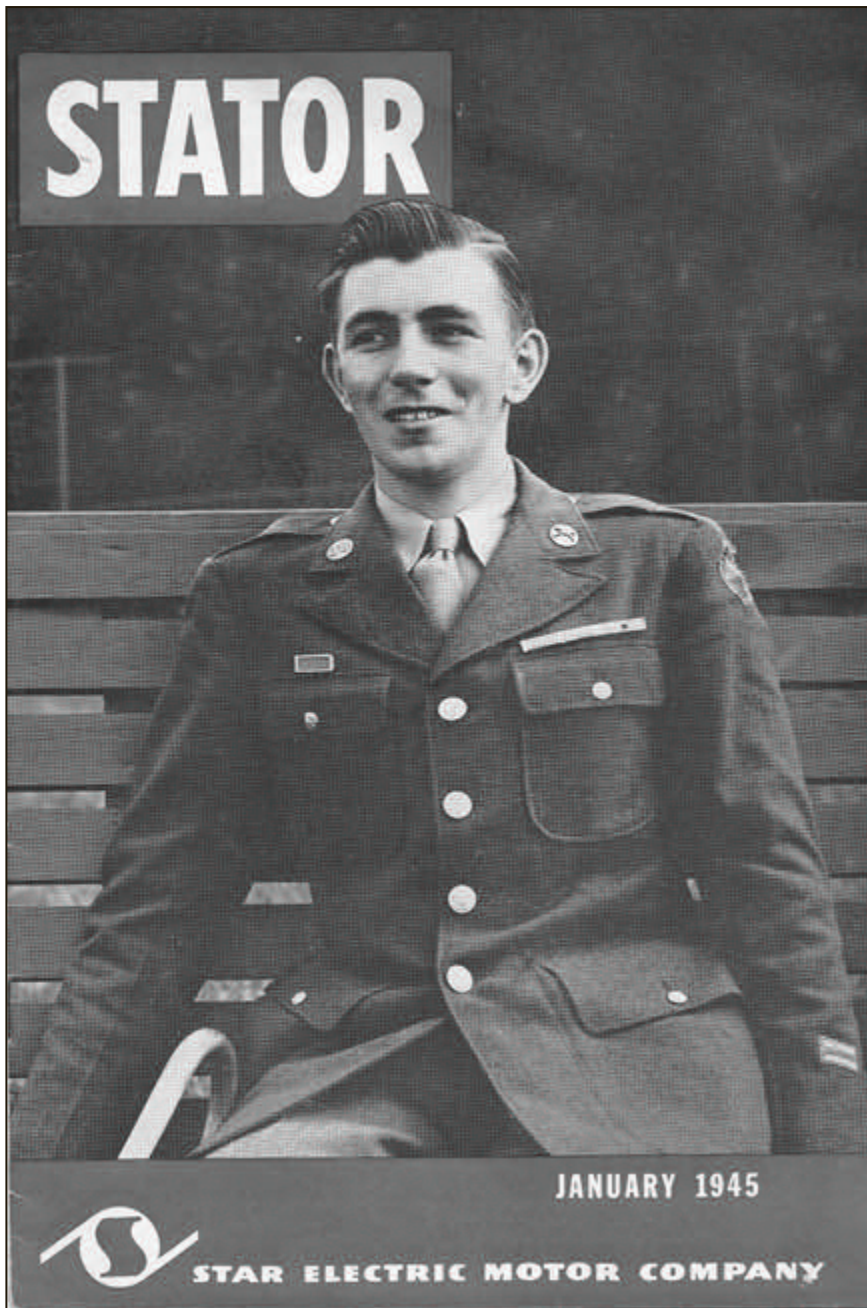


in loving memory of

Gilbert E. Pittenger



June 30, 1924 - September 28, 2008



Wounded On D-Day

Recovering from bullet and shrapnel injuries to his right leg and two bullet wounds in his back suffered while battling Nazis in France, Infantryman Gilbert E. Pittenger, formerly of the parts and service department of Star Electric Motor Company, is now convalescing at the Army's England General Hospital, Atlantic City.

Pittenger, whose picture is on the cover of this issue, landed on Normandy beach on D-Day with the first wave of the 29th Infantry Division which finally established a beachhead only after silencing German machine gunners who poured out a murderous fire from hills overlooking the water. The former Star employee was hit in the right knee while on the beach but managed to crawl inland and kept his rifle firing until three enemy bullets found his body.

He was not discovered for more than 24 hours during which the battle raged and the Germans were at last shoved back.

Hospitalized in England for several months, Pittenger, who is a private and hails from Mountain-side, N. J., was brought to America by plane after first being flown to Scotland.

Wearer of the Purple Heart and Distinguished Unit Badge, the Star serviceman received his basic training at Camp Wheeler, Georgia, and went overseas in July, 1943. He left Star Electric Motor Company on February 23, 1943.

This page was made possible by his loving daughter, Sandra L. Runyon.



In Loving Memory of my father

PFC Cecil Garrison

29th Infantry Division. 104th Medical Battalion,
Clearing Company, Second Platoon



Brunssum, Holland, 1944



At Home, 2014

Salute and Respect to all the brave members of the 104th Medical Battalion who served in WWII. Thank you for your service and your sacrifice.

29 Let's Go!

Jay Garrison

Commander, Post 94, 29th Division Association



In Memory of:
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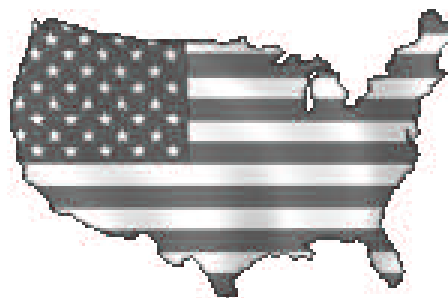
The 121st Engineer Combat Battalion is cited for gallantry and outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy on 6 June 1944. On that date, this battalion participated, with assaulting infantry, in the attack of a fortified beach of Northern France under most hazardous and difficult conditions. Beginning its landing with the leading elements of assaulting infantry, in the face of withering enemy fire, all companies of the battalion were landed early in the day while the beach was still under heavy observed fire of artillery and small arms. With determination and fortitude in spite of heavy losses in personnel, the 121st Engineer Combat Battalion accomplished its assigned mission of opening and preparing beach lines and beach exits with dispatch and cool efficiency. The outstanding performance of duty by this battalion was a substantial contribution to the success of the assault operation. The courage, teamwork and aggressiveness and high esprit displayed by all its personnel and the excellent results accomplished, reflect the highest credit on the military forces of the United States.

Franklin D. Roosevelt

Presented to the 121st Engineer Combat Battalion by:
General C. H. Gerhardt, Commander of the 29th Division

Submitted by: Mr. and Mrs. John W. Stewart (Son of Robert W. Stewart)
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
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With All My Love

My father's story of romance, war, family and faith



Compiled by Rosemary Joyce Boyle Coover

The following excerpts are taken from the book about our father's life from the time he joined the army in 1941 until his death in 1950. For more information on the book, visit the website:

www.withallmylovejoe.com

Nov. 23, 1941 - Texas

"The only reason your package would have necessitated hospitalization would have been as the result of overeating. But being in the Army, that chance is greatly minimized, or did you ever try opening a package in front of a pack of hungry wolves? The boys really went for those cookies and with good reason, your culinary skill is surpassed only by your beauty...Seriously, I really did enjoy my share of them and I want to thank you for your thoughtfulness. Little acts like that mean a lot to a fellow a long way from home and it gives us something to be thankful for."

24 June 1944 - Normandy

"After eleven hours sleep, a bath (in a bucket), a shave, clean clothes, I begin to feel almost like a human being again. And so I hope to be able to write a little more intelligently than I have been doing. Do not look for any literary masterpieces about the experiences of war from me because I do not intend to write any. Most of my correspondence shall be purely personal...The experiences of war are peculiar - some as they seem they should be - others far removed from any conception of war and all difficult to describe. A lot of it is forgotten in the original excitement. A lot more fades from memory in the subsequent stupor of fatigue."

In loving memory of our father,

JOSEPH M. BOYLE

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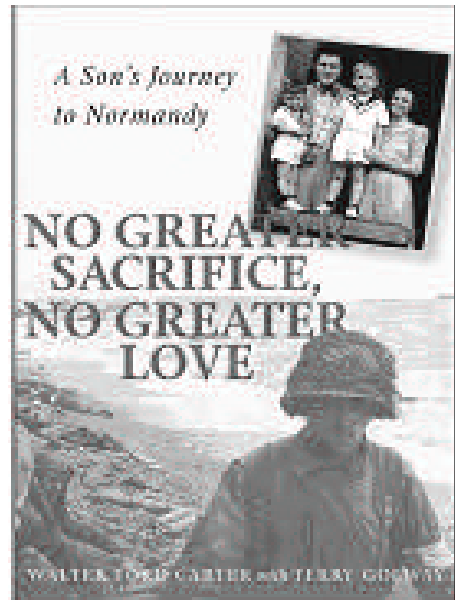
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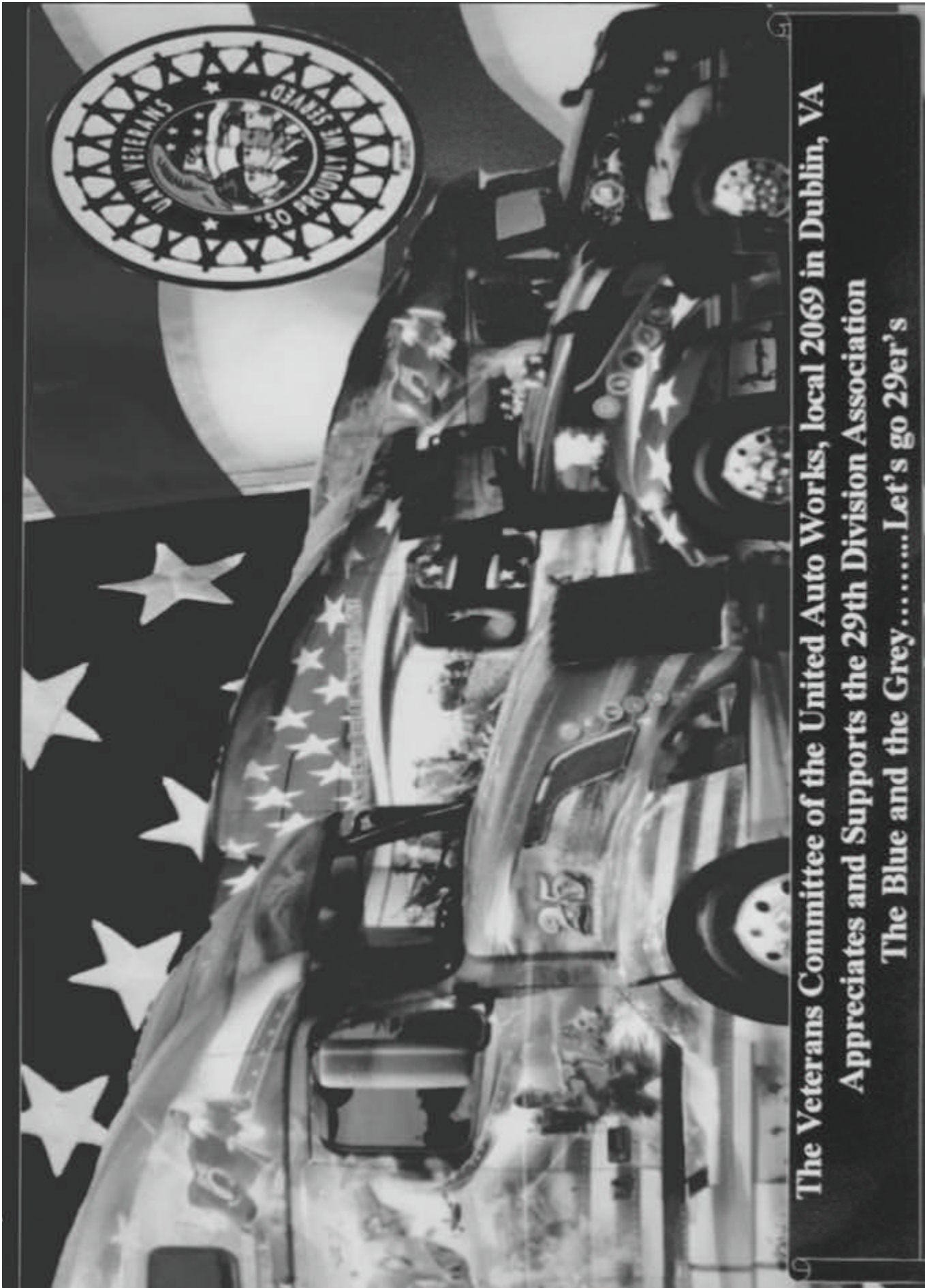
Dr. Elmer Norval Carter, Capt., MC
 Battalion Surgeon, 1st Bn, 115th Inf.
 Silver Star, Bronze Star, Purple Heart;
 KIA June 17, 1944

“We realize we are fighting for a way of living that is fundamentally right in the eyes of God and man, and the ideals of the enemy are wrong. I requested a transfer to a combat battalion and am its surgeon. It is rough as hell and I’ll admit I fear for the future. However, I am happier here than anywhere else in the Army. A swell bunch of officers and men. One feels very close to these men and I want to do my best for them. I don’t fear death per se, but it really depresses me to think that I may never see Fernie, Tom, and Walter Ford again.”
 (From the letters of Captain Carter)


I want to thank the 29th Division Association and its members who helped me find the story of my father. That story is available in a book published by the Smithsonian Institution Press, No Greater Sacrifice, No Greater Love: A Son’s Journey to Normandy. For a description of the book or to contact the author, see www.walterfordcarter.com

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**To honor
all of those
with whom I served
in the 29th from
10 January 1957
through
15 September 1993.**



My command vehicle while serving retirement duty here in Florida.



*This page was made possible by
Colonel (Retired) Richard W. Phoebus,
of The Villages, Florida.*





Donald B. Calamar, 167th Signal Photo Company 1918 - 2004

I never really talked to my dad that much about The War. All eight of his children knew he'd been in World War II as a motion-picture photographer and had earned a Silver Star saving a fellow soldier, but we didn't know many, if any, details of his time in the army. We had seen some of his films of the Roer River Crossing: the decimated skeletal buildings, the dead sergeant face down on the ground with his blood pooled in the mud, the floating bridge with American soldiers pouring across it into Julich. We had seen the photos of him in Paris walking the streets with his buddies right after the city was liberated. I was aware of these things. But that's about it. I actually knew very little about WWII in general. My dad, and my friends' dads, didn't talk about it; my high school didn't teach me much about it; and in college I learned nothing more. I always planned to talk to Dad more about his time in the army, but I got busy with my career and raising a family of my own. The years went by. We saw each other often, and we did talk a few times about his experiences in 1944 and 45. I learned a bit and wanted to learn more. Then one morning he suddenly died. Just like that he was gone.

After he died, feeling great regret, and missing him terribly, some of his kids began our own research. We learned that he was a part of Unit 125 of the 167th Photo Company, his close partner was a still photographer named Merle Nicholson, and that they were attached to the 29th Infantry Division led by General Charles Gerhardt. While filming with the 115th Infantry at the Setterich Mine on November 16, 1944, the first day of the Roer River Offensive, while under heavy enemy fire, he crawled to a wounded man and carried him to safety at the command post. Later that day, he assisted with the evacuation of another wounded soldier. For this selfless reaction to someone in need, he was the first photographer in the entire Ninth Army to be awarded a Silver Star, and later in the war he received two Bronze Stars. He filmed the crossing of the Roer River and continued on with the 29th Infantry Division to meet up with the Russians at the Elbe River near Berlin. During our research we came across Joe Balkoski's insightful books on the campaign which really helped our family finally realize the depth of what our dad had experienced during the war.



He was a dedicated father to his eight children. Needless to say, we are all proud of him, we miss him a lot, and are forever grateful that we had such a good man as our dad.


Doug Calamar
Fourth child of eight.





Capt. Manuel Poliakoff (center) conducting the first Jewish services in Germany, February 1945, at Schloss Rheydt, the summer home of Joseph Goebbels

In memory of
 Rabbi Manuel M. Poliakoff, Chaplain (Major), 29th Division

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James Marshall Smith

6 March 1920 - 12 June 1952



My father, Private James M. Smith, enlisted in the Virginia National Guard in Richmond, VA, 5 August 1940. Assigned to A Battery, 111th FA, 29th Division, he was in England in 1942-1944; then entered Omaha Beach with the 29th Division on 6 June 1944, D-Day.

The 111th lost their 105 howitzers to German fire and heavy surf. Lt. Col. Thornton Mullins ordered them to fight as infantry. When transports, trucks and artillery were replaced, my father was severely injured when his truck ran over a mine near the battle of Vire, on 9 August 1944. Spending a year in hospitals in France, Britain and the US. He did not return to Europe. He was discharged on 17 January 1945.

Upon returning to Richmond he married my mother, Ann Durvin. Dad's wounds, shrapnel from the mine, required he go back in the hospital at McQuire in Richmond periodically. Along with his injuries, he suffered from what was then called "shell shock" and "battle trauma," these effects he never fully recovered from. He died of coronary thrombosis 12 June 1952.

Campaigns: Normandy, Northern France	Purple Heart	WWII Victory Medal
European-African-Middle Eastern Theater Medal	American Defense Medal	Marksman badge w/ Rifle Bar
2 Stars with 1 Bronze Arrowhead	Good Conduct Medal	Sharpshooter badge w/ Carbine bar

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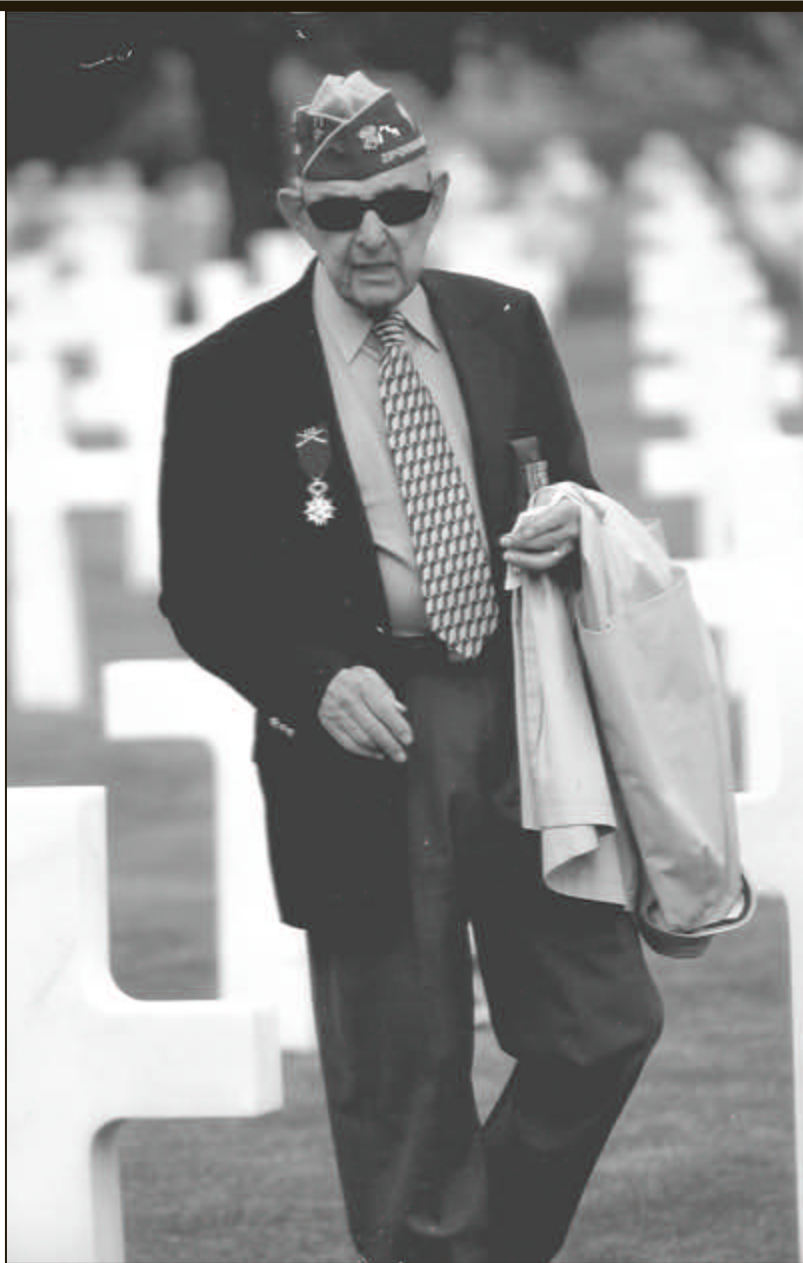
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*In loving memory of Dr. Harold "Hal" Baumgarten.
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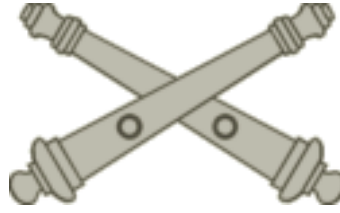


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
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
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