

Gone but not forgotten...

The Sentinel salutes veterans who have passed on:

Walter Blane Watkins "Red"



1926-2007
Army/Air Force
Aviation Engineer
July 1943-October 1946
Invasion of Okinawa
"8 Ball Duce" — 802 Special Services. Was on the Battleship Missouri when the Japanese peace treaty was signed.

Bob Edmunds

U.S. Navy
1947-51
13th Naval District
USS Charles E. Brannon
Bob was in communications and a signal man



Bob Edmunds in the cockpit of a Stearman biplane in 2012.

Chatt Chattam

National Guard in Cottage Grove
Five years E5
1961-1966
Cottage Grove Armory

Joseph R. Giesel

USMC
Major
Aug. 24, 1938 to Aug. 31, 1959
Pacific theater, WWII, Korea
Private at boot camp in San Diego, promoted through ranks of enlisted men and officers.
Artillery, ordnance, tanks
Purple Heart



Martha Boss

First Class, Senior, US Coast Guard WWII
Communications



Borjer Anderson

Corporal, Medic, U.S. Army
World War II, 1943-46
Two years in New Guinea, 119 Station Hospital



Howard Gilman

US Army
PFC
1940-47, WWII
Military policeman, Invasion Force Europe, Battle of the Bulge



Bob Githens

Navy and Naval Reserves
1st Class YN1
1943-53, Korea
USS Grady



Joseph Iwanowski

U.S. Army, Europe



Richard Klansnic

Sgt., Army Air Corps
Dec. 1943 to December 1945
Ft. Lewis, Wash., Buckley Field, Col., Avon Park, Fla., Kinbolton, England, IL
Nose gunner in B-17



Marvel McConnell

Federal Government
GS11
April 1942-March 1973
Stateside Travis AFB
Head Secretary in administration, Chief of personnel staffing unit at Travis AFB.
Thirty years of service



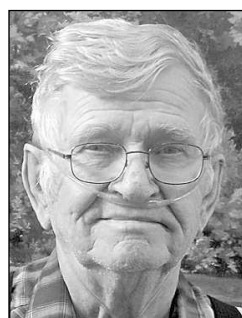
Eugenia Merrick



Coast Guard Spar
E-3
1943
New York and Palm Beach
Secretary to Captain Fullford

Melvin Osterman

Military Police, U.S. Army
Big 8 Prison, Japan



Thomas E. Postrech

US Air Force
Dec. 1959 to April 1963
Lackland and Shepherd AFB in Texas, McGuire AFB, NJ, then to Adana, Turkey

Buck Thompson

Navy
1944
Test flying B24s
Aviation Ordnance Man
B24 Bombers for Navy
Phoenix, AZ 45
Saipan — Taking care of fighter planes



Barbara E. (Willis) Watson

US Air Force
Airman First Class
April 5, 1955 to November 1957
Lackland and Gunter for training and Randolph AFB Hospital
X-Ray technician



Sentinel proclaims 'victory over Japan'

The United States learned of its victory over Japanese forces in World War II on Aug. 14, 1945. The Sentinel relayed the news two days later:

Washington, Aug. 14 - Japan has surrendered unconditionally, President Truman announced at 7 p.m., (4 p.m. PWT) Tuesday.

General of the Army Douglas A. MacArthur has been designated supreme allied commander to receive the surrender.

President Truman made this statement: "I have received this afternoon a message from the Japanese government in reply to the message forwarded to that government by the secretary of state on August 11.

"I deem this reply a full acceptance of the Potsdam declaration which specifies the unconditional

surrender of Japan.

"In this reply there is no qualification.

"Arrangements are now being made for the formal signing of surrender terms at the earliest possible moment.

"Gen. Douglas MacArthur has been appointed the supreme allied commander to receive the Japanese surrender.

"Great Britain, Russia and China will be represented by high-ranking officers.

"Meantime, the allied armed forces have been ordered to suspend offensive action.

"The proclamation of V-Day must wait upon the formal signing of the surrender terms by Japan."

August 14th at 7:00 p.m. EWT, 4:00 p.m. PWT here, will be a day long remembered. This was the day of Jap surrender. President Truman announced at this time the Japanese acceptance of surrender terms. The terms will be accepted by Gen. MacArthur

when arrangements can be completed. The war ended after three years, eight months and seven days. The Japanese will give their own government, including the emperor, under allied control. All means of making war will be stripped from them. At advance bases military governors stood ready to move in with occupation forces and carry out these terms. It was over five hours after the surrender was announced that war ceased in the Pacific. Five Jap war planes were shot down by Pacific forces after the surrender terms were announced. Many leading Japanese war lords are expected to commit hari kari. The Japanese minister of war has already done so.

End of the war brought these results: OPA announced yesterday the ending of gasoline rationing. Canned fruits, vegetables and fuel oil will also go ration free. Rationing of meats, fats, oils, butter, tires and other commodities will be continued until production can balance consumption. Wednesday and Thursday were proclaimed legal holidays by Governor Snell. Now that it can be told, it was learned that 230 Jap balloons landed in western North America out of the thousands launched.

Yesterday in his first broadcast to his subjects, Emperor Hirohito said that the atomic bomb forced Japan to accept the first military defeat in 2,605 years of her history. The war department announced yesterday that it had cut procurement of supplies by \$23,500,000,000.

Surrender at Manila

Japan's surrender envoy will fly to Manila in an all white plane, decorated with green crosses, when he comes to learn the allied terms for surrender, General MacArthur disclosed yesterday in his second note to the Japanese since his appointment as allied supreme commander in Japan.

"Ironically, the word "Bataan" was chosen as the code word for communications between the envoy and American forces.

The envoy was instructed to bring competent army, navy and air force advisers and to bear credentials enabling him to represent Emperor Hirohito.

Honoring Our Brave Veterans

As our Armed Forces fight to protect our freedom abroad, we're reminded of the sacrifice made by so many brave soldiers before them. On Veterans Day, we pause to recognize and thank all of the veterans who have served our country. We are eternally grateful for their dedication and service.

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