



In Memoriam



RAYMOND WYLAND
U.S. NAVY SEA BEES
1944 - 1946

Construction. Served in Okinawa, and the South Pacific.



GAYLORD WILBERGER
U.S. ARMY
1944 - 1946

Electrician. Served in the South Pacific. Was in the Battle of Iwo Jima. Served in Japan after the atom bomb was dropped (occupation forces).



CHARLES VICTOR McINTEE
U.S. NAVY

Sept. 1942 - Dec. 1945

Enlisted in the Navy on 10 Sept. 1942. His time of service was spent at the Naval Air Station, Corpus Christi, Texas; Naval Air Technical Training Center in Memphis, Tennessee; Adv. Base Aviation Training Unit at Lambert Field, St. Louis, MO and CASU 24. He was honorable discharged from the Personnel Separation Center, USNB at Bremerton, WA on 7 Dec. 1945 with the rank of Aviation Machinist Mate 3/C. He received the American Area Campaign Medal and the World War II Victory Medal.

ERNEST F. BEBER
U.S. ARMY

Mar. 1944 - Sept. 1946

Medical Corps (Doctor). Served in the European Theatre. Servicemen were not to fraternize with the enemy but the people of the little German town (where he was stationed) of Vorrta needed health care so he did the best he could for them. In 1979 he and his wife took a trip to revisit area and tried to locate the nurse who assisted him. A German lady (whose husband had been in the German Army during the war time) recognized him as the doctor who had helped them so much. Everyone was delighted to see him again.



HARLAND WYRICK
U.S. ARMY
1942 - 1946

My job was unloading and loading planes. Served in the South Pacific. I enjoyed being on Trinidad and watching the natives carrying things on their heads. Saw several huge boa constrictors.



JOHN LEATHERWOOD
U.S. AIR FORCE
Oct. 1943 - July 1945

Aerial gunner, T/Sgt. 487th Bomb Squad, 340th Bomb Group. Served in Corsica, Italy, Naples, Foggia, Rome - Arno, Southern France, Po Valley, Apennines. Awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal, One Silver and 4 Bronze Oak Leaves.

DONALD EVANS
U.S. ARMY AIR FORCE

13 July 1942 - 30 Sept. 1963

Tail gunner on a B-24 bomber, 8th Air Force. Served in the European Theatre.



NEIL B. McGILVERY
U.S. ARMY
SIGNAL CORP.

20 Mar. 1941 - 29 Oct. 1941
13 Feb. 1942 - 25 Nov. 1945

Tech. Sgt. - Installer, repairman, lineman and wire chief telephone & telegraph. Served in Hawaii and Ryukuys. Was inducted in Portland, OR 29 Mar. 1941, transferred to Enlisted Reserve 29 Oct. 1941. Entered service in Portland, OR. Born 24 Sept. 1911 at Prospect, OR and passed away 15 Nov. 1978 in Coquille, OR.



LELAND C. McGILVERY
U.S. ARMY

Leland C. McGilvery served a short time in the service. He was honorably discharged because of age. He had 3 brothers in the service at the same time. Born 7 Dec. 1900 in Seattle WA., died 9 Sept. 1974, Coquille, OR.



ROBERT W. McGILVERY
U.S. NAVY

6 Sept. 1942 - 31 Oct. 1945

Radar operator. Trained at Treasure Island, CA. Served in South Pacific on S.S. Orion - a sub tender. Told his family the crew was served emu once.



DONALD G. McGILVERY
U.S. ARMY

24 May 1943 - 1 Dec. 1945

Tec. 5. Served in New Guinea, Southern Philippines and Luzon. Entered service in Portland, OR, discharged at Fort Lewis, WA. Born 27 Aug. 1908 at Central Point, OR and passed away in Coquille, OR 11 Oct. 1968.



CLIFFORD J. GULSETH
U.S. MARINE CORPS.

Jan. 1942 - March 1945

Bremerton WA - 1942. Marine Corps Aviation Depot at Miramar, CA - 1943 - 1945. T/Sgt. NCO In Chg.



JOHN KIRK
21 Dec. 1941

John Kirk graduated from Myrtle Point High School and was living in Coquille shortly before the war. When Japan attacked Pearl Harbor, he was employed by Morrison-Knudsen Co. at Wake Island. When the island was captured by the Japanese on 21 Dec. 1941, he was interned as a civilian prisoner of war. At the time of his capture the company was building a Naval air base. John worked as a prisoner for a time on the island before being shipped out on a tanker to Japan, where he was interned for the rest of the war. After his release in 1945, he returned to Coos County. He married Ena King and they had two children, David and Richard. He lived in Sitkum and Bandon. He worked for Georgia-Pacific. John died in 1971 in a car accident.



EARL C. HAMILTON
U.S. ARMY
DENTAL CORP.

May 1943 - Feb. 1946

Capt., 41st Ordinance Bn. Hqs. Medical Det. Assisted BTm. Medical officer in treatment of wounded in combat. Served in England, Normandy, France, German and Luxembourg with Patton's 3rd Army.