



West Seneca Answers the Call to Arms Residents in World War II



Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: FAGAN

F.

G.

Address:

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: S. 1/C

Unit / Squadron:

USS TERROR (CM-5)

Medals / Citations:

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN RIBBON

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

PACIFIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Seaman First-Class

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

The USS Terror (CM-5) was a fleet minelayer, the only minelayer of the fleet built specifically for mine laying during World War II / Operated off the coast of North Africa and the Pacific Theater / Commissioned on 15 July 1942 and decommissioned on 6 August 1956

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Name: **FAGAN**

WILLIAM

A.

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

(NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE)



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Name: FAGO

PAUL

F.

Address: 1303 INDIAN CHURCH ROAD

Service Branch: ARMY - AIR FORCE

Rank: PVT

Unit / Squadron:

3507TH BASE UNIT, SECTION "P", BARRACKS 628

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Sioux Falls Army Air Field - Sioux Falls, South Dakota - During World War II, the United States Army Air Forces (USAAF) established numerous airfields in South Dakota for training pilots and aircrews of USAAF fighters and bombers

Miscellaneous:



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Name: **FALKENBACH**

ELMER

F.

Address: 36 IRIS AVENUE

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: C.M.M.

Unit / Squadron:

USS BARNETT (APA-5)

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Elmer Falkenbach enlisted in the Navy on 19 May 1940 / Promoted to Chief Machinist's Mate on 1 May 1944

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

USS Barnett (APA-5) was a McCawley-class attack transport and commissioned 25 September 1940 / Ship served in both the Pacific and Atlantic campaigns / From 25 September 1940 until the end of the year. Barnett was engaged in training Marines in the Culebra-Vieques Islands (Puerto Rico) area / During the battle for the Pacific, the Barnett transported troops during the Coral Sea and Midway campaigns / In 1942, the Barnett unloaded Marine troops during the battle for Guadalcanal / In 1943, the Barnett participated in the invasion of Salerno and Sicily / On 6 June 1944, she transported troops to the Utah beach landing on Normandy / In 1945, the Barnett returned to the Pacific region, taking part in the Okinawa invasion / The USS Barnett earned seven battle stars for World War II service / Decommissioned 30 April 1946

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Name: **FALKENBACH JR.**

GEORGE

Address: 36 IRIS AVENUE

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: SGT

Unit / Squadron:

COMPANY "C", 865TH ENGINEERS

Medals / Citations:

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN RIBBON

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

PACIFIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Sergeant George Falkenbach Jr enlisted in the Army on 15 January 1942 and was promoted to Sergeant on 25 June 1943

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Engineering Battalions performed many engineering tasks, including demolitions, obstacle emplacement, fortification, and light bridge building / Engineer general service regiments and battalions performed construction, repair, and maintenance duties of all kinds behind the front lines / When needed, combat engineers also could act as infantry

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Name: **FALKNER**

RAYMOND

Address: 33 OSCHAWA AVENUE

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: SGT

Unit / Squadron:

5TH GENERAL HOSPITAL

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

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WILLIAM

D.

Address: 33 OSCHAWA AVENUE

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: PVT

Unit / Squadron:

COMPANY "B", 7TH BATTALION, A.R.T.C. (ARMY RECRUIT TRAINING CENTER)

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Fort Knox, Kentucky - A new Armored Force (Tanks) was established in July 1940 with its headquarters at Fort Knox / It was responsible for establishing armored formations, doctrine, and training in the use of armored vehicles

Miscellaneous:



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Name: **FASSEL**

ARTHUR

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

(NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE)



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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: FASSEL

EDWARD

Address:

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: PVT

Unit / Squadron:

300TH GENERAL HOSPITAL

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

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Name: FASSEL

GEORGE

L.

Address:

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: G.M. 3/C

Unit / Squadron:

USS EDSALL (DE-129)

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

ATLANTIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Gunner's Mate Third-Class

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

USS Edsall (DE-129) was the lead ship of her class of destroyer escorts and named in honor of Seaman Norman Edsall (1873–1899) / Guarded seven convoys in the Atlantic sea lanes between 1944 - 1945 / Edsall sailed for the Pacific on 24 June 1945, but World War II ended while she was training at Pearl Harbor / Commissioned 10 April 1943 and decommissioned 11 June 1946

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Name: **FATH**

FRANK

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

(NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE)



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Name: **FAUHLRING**
FRANCIS

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

(NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE)



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Name: FELTZ

NORMAN E.

Address: 117 PELLMAN PLACE

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: B.M. 3/C

Unit / Squadron:

USS BOSTON (CA-69/CAG-1), 7TH DIVISION

Medals / Citations:

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN RIBBON

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

PACIFIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Boatswain's Mate Third-Class

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

The USS Boston (CA-69) was a Baltimore-class heavy cruiser, named for the city of Boston, Massachusetts / In January - February 1944, the Boston took part in the raids on the Marshall Islands in support of the invasions of Kwajalein, Majuro, and of Eniwetok / The Boston participated in the Battle of Leyte Gulf in January 1945 / The Boston received 10 Battle stars for her participation in action at Palaus, Western Carolines, Satawan Island, Truk, Saipan, Bonin Islands, Luzon, Formosa, Leyte Gulf and the bombardment of cities on the Japanese mainland / Commissioned on 30 June 1943 and decommissioned on 5 May 1970

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Name: FENTIS

ROBERT

E.

Address: 31 FLOHR AVENUE

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: PVT

Unit / Squadron:

BATTERY "C", 436TH FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION, FIELD ARTILLERY TRAINING CENTER

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Fort Bragg, North Carolina - In 1918, Congress established Camp Bragg, an Army field artillery site named for the Confederate General Braxton Bragg / Camp Bragg became a permanent Army post renamed Fort Bragg / Various units trained at Fort Bragg during World War II, including the 9th Infantry Division, 2nd Armored Division, 82nd Airborne Division, 100th Infantry Division, and various field artillery groups

Camp Gruber, Oklahoma - The base is named after General Edmund L. Gruber / During the course of World War II Camp Gruber provided training to infantry, field artillery, and tank destroyer units that went on to fight in Europe

Miscellaneous:

The Field Artillery is the branch of the army whose mission is to support the infantry by artillery fire, destroying, neutralizing or suppressing the enemy elements that threaten land forces / Increased mobility; fire direction centers, which enhanced their firepower; aerial observation; and radio communications increased the efficiency and accuracy to support ground forces



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Name: **FENTON JR.**

JAMES

B.

Address: 84 PELLMAN PLACE

Service Branch: ARMY - AIR FORCE

Rank: SGT

Unit / Squadron:

319TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON, 90TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (HEAVY)

Medals / Citations:

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN RIBBON

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

PACIFIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

A bombardment group or bomb group was a group of bomber aircraft the United States Army Air Forces (USAAF) during World War II. It was the equivalent of an infantry regiment in the Army Ground Forces. A bombardment group was the key tactical control and administrative organization for bombers in all theaters of operation. U.S. bomb groups were numbered and classified into four types: Very Heavy (VH), Heavy (H), Medium (M), and Light (L). Groups which combined bombers of differing categories into a single administrative organization were designated "Composite" groups

Bomber aircraft assigned to the "Heavy" Bombardment group consisted of the B-17 Flying Fortress and B-24 Liberator aircraft

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Name: **FERGUSON**

L.

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

(NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE)



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Name: **FERRAND**

RAYMOND H.

Address: 3478 CLINTON STREET

Service Branch: ARMY - AIR FORCE **Rank:** CAPT

Unit / Squadron:

428TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON, 360TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP

Medals / Citations:

AIR MEDAL

7 BATTLE STARS

AMERICAN DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

NORTH AFRICA AND EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Captain Raymond Ferrand, while assigned to the 12th Air Force, was a Flight Observer aboard his aircraft and made the initial landing at Casablanca / Capt. Ferrand served throughout the North African campaign and served in Corsica and Italy / Captain Ferrand won Battle Stars for combat duty during the campaigns for Tunisia, Sicily, Rome-Arno, Naples-Foggia, Southern France, the Po Valley and the North Apennines

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

The 12th Air Force flew 430,681 sorties, shot down 2,857 enemy aircraft and lost 2,667 of its own planes. Its casualties were 1,778 killed in action and 5,425 were missing / The 12th Air Force was Inactivated on 31 August 1945

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The Air Medal is awarded to anyone who, while serving in any capacity in or with the Armed Forces of the United States, and has distinguished themselves by meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight. Subsequent awards are annotated with the traditional oak leaf clusters

Battle (Combat) Stars were presented to military personnel who were engaged in specific battles in combat



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under circumstances involving grave danger of death or serious bodily injury from enemy action

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The American Defense Service Medal (also referred to as the Pre-Pearl Harbor Ribbon) was a military award of the United States Armed Forces intended to recognize those military service members who had performed military duty between 8 September 1939 and 7 December 1941



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Name: **FERRAND**

THEODORE K.

Address: 34 NORTH AVENUE

Service Branch: ARMY - AIR FORCE **Rank:** LT

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Childress Army Air Field - Childress, Texas - Childress AAF operated as a Bombardier training school for the Army Air Forces from 1942 until 1945 and was one of the "West Texas Bombardier Quadrangle" schools of the Army Air Forces Training Command / A prisoner-of-war camp was also established at the base

Miscellaneous:



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Name: **FERRIE**

HOWARD

A.

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

(NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE)



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Name: **FERRY**

CHARLES

A.

Address: 1720 ORCHARD PARK ROAD

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: CPL

Unit / Squadron:

242ND PORT COMPANY

Medals / Citations:

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN RIBBON

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

PACIFIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

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Name: **FESTAG**

WARREN

R.

Address: 14 DOSTER PLACE

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: PFC

Unit / Squadron:

35TH EVACUATION HOSPITAL

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

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Name: FETZER

FRED

A.

Address: 26 BENSON AVENUE

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: S. 1/C

Unit / Squadron:

SS JOHN H. REAGAN (HULL # 1943)

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

ATLANTIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Seaman First-Class

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

The SS John H. Reagan was a Liberty Ship used for supporting the war effort by hauling needed cargo to the war front / The Liberty ships — a vast new fleet for the war effort — were built in a national "Virtual Shipyard" that harnessed skills, resources, and facilities all across America. From 1941 to 1945, the United States increased its shipbuilding capacity by more than 1,200% and produced over 2,700 Liberty Ships, 800 Victory Vessels, 320 T-2 Tankers, and various other commercial and naval auxiliary vessels for a total of 5,200 ships constructed for the period / A Liberty ship was designed to carry about 10,000 tons of cargo, but in wartime conditions often carried much more. Liberty ships were nicknamed "ugly ducklings" by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt

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Name: **FINK**

ROBERT J.

Address: 35 LUDWIG AVENUE

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: SGT

Unit / Squadron:

COMPANY "C", 555TH S.A.W. (SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING)

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Some of the largest and most important Army units were the Signal Aircraft Warning (SAW) battalions, which used the new technology of radar to provide early warning and air defense. These battalions served in all theaters

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Name: **FISCHER**

E.

G.

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

(NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE)



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Name: FISHER

CLIFFORD J.

Address: 163 DUERSTEIN STREET

Service Branch: ARMY - AIR FORCE **Rank:** CPL

Unit / Squadron:

COMBAT CREW CENTER

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Hunter Air Field - Savannah, Georgia - Field was named in May 1940 to honor Lieutenant Colonel (Lt. Col.) Frank O'Driscoll Hunter, a native of Savannah and a World War I flying ace / Hunter Field became a base for several Antisubmarine groups and squadrons of I Bomber Command and later Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command with a mission to patrol the Atlantic coast, locate and attack German U-Boats / After 1943, Hunter AAF became a final combat training base for B-26 Marauder medium bomber crews

Miscellaneous:



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Name: FITZNER

HERBERT

R.

Address: 49 LOUIS AVENUE

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: PVT

Unit / Squadron:

204TH GENERAL HOSPITAL

Medals / Citations:

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN RIBBON

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

PACIFIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

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Name: **FLACK**

WALTER E.

Address: 1343 UNION ROAD

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: T/5

Unit / Squadron:

790TH ORDNANCE COMPANY, L.M. (LIGHT MAINTENANCE)

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Technician Fifth-Grade (Corporal)

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

The U.S. Army Ordnance Corps mission was to support the development, production, acquisition, and sustainment of weapon systems, ammunition, missiles, electronics, and ground mobility material during World War II to provide combat power to the U.S. Army

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Name: **FLANAGAN**

EUGENE

F.

Address: 1056 SENECA CREEK ROAD

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: Y. 2/C

Unit / Squadron:

USS DURIK (DE-666)

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

AMERICAN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

ATLANTIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Yeoman Second-Class

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

The USS Durik was a Buckley-class destroyer escort, named in honor of Apprentice Seaman Joseph E. Durik (1922–42) / The Durik escorted convoys to Casablanca, Bizerte, and Palermo in 1944 / She served as a school ship for precommissioning crews of escort vessels, frigates, and high-speed transports at Norfolk from December 1944 to January 1945 / The Durik returned to convoy duty in January 1945, making two voyages to Oran, Algeria / Commissioned 24 March 1944 and decommissioned 15 June 1946

The American Campaign Medal/Ribbon (also known as the (ATO) American Theater of Operations Ribbon) was a military award of the United States Armed Forces which was first created on November 6, 1942 by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. The ribbon was intended to recognize those military service members who had performed military duty in the American Theater of Operations during World War II. The requirements for the American Campaign Ribbon were for service within the American Theater between 7 December 1941 and 2 March 1946. The American Campaign Medal was issued as a service ribbon only for the entirety of the Second World War, and was only made a full-sized medal in 1947

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throughout the entire Second World War

Name: **FLANAGAN**

JAMES

V.

Address: 1056 SENECA CREEK ROAD

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: SGT

Unit / Squadron:

COMPANY "K", 328TH INFANTRY

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Infantry refers to soldiers moving and fighting on foot, armed with hand weapons such as rifles, machine guns, grenades, mortars, etc.

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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: FLYNN

JOSEPH

Address: 129 BARNSDALE AVENUE

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: S. 1/C

Unit / Squadron:

US NAVY FRONTIER BASE

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Seaman First-Class Joseph Flynn patrolled the shores off Charleston, South Carolina

Base Assignments:

Charleston Naval Shipyard - Charleston, South Carolina - The Charleston naval Shipyard was established in 1901 and became one of the primary maintenance and support facilities for submarines, guided missile ships, destroyers, cruisers, frigates, submarine tenders, and other surface ships

Miscellaneous:



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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FORD**

ROBERT

C.

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

(NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE)



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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FORMA**

JOHN

V.

Address:

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

NAVAL CONSTRUCTION BATTALION

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Seabees / After the attack on Pearl Harbor on 7 December 1941, and the use of civilian labor in war zones became impractical so the Navy created Construction Battalions (from which the abbreviation "C.B." became Seabees) / The Seabees have a history of building bases, bulldozing and paving thousands of miles of roadway and airstrips, bridges, roads, gasoline storage tanks, and Quonset huts for warehouses, hospitals, and housing



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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FOSTER**

CYRIL

Address:

Service Branch: ARMY - AIR FORCE

Rank: CPL

Unit / Squadron:

COMPANY "C", 861ST ENGINEER AVIATION BATTALION

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Engineer aviation regiments and battalions were designed to construct and maintain air bases / Aviation engineers included engineer airborne aviation battalions, which were designed to be air transportable; to repair airfields captured by airborne forces

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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FOSTER**

HOWARD

W.

Address: 2987 SENECA STREET

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: ART 2/C

Unit / Squadron:

HEDRON F.A.W. FOURTEEN (HEADQUARTERS SQUADRON, FLEET AIR WING)

Medals / Citations:

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN RIBBON

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

PACIFIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Aviation Radio Technician Second-Class

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FOUCHA**

JOSEPH

E.

Address: 47 WICHITA ROAD

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: PFC

Unit / Squadron:

348TH ORDNANCE COMPANY

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

The U.S. Army Ordnance Corps mission was to support the development, production, acquisition, and sustainment of weapon systems, ammunition, missiles, electronics, and ground mobility material during World War II to provide combat power to the U.S. Army

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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FOURNIER**

FRANCIS

B.

Address: 59 AURORA AVENUE

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: B. 2/C

Unit / Squadron:

USS BULLARD (DD-660)

Medals / Citations:

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN RIBBON

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

PACIFIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Boilermaker Second-Class

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

The USS Bullard was a Fletcher-class destroyer, named for Rear Admiral William H. G. Bullard (1866–1927) / The Bullard operated constantly in forward areas of the Pacific rendering fire support, plane guard, patrol, and radar picket services / The ship participated in the invasion of Tarawa, seizure of Guam and Saipan and the Okinawa campaign / The USS Bullard survived a hit by a Japanese Kamikaze / Bullard received nine battle stars for her World War II service / Ship was commissioned on 9 April 1943 and decommissioned on 20 December 1946

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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FOURNIER**

JOHN

C.

Address: 59 AURORA AVENUE

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: BKR. 2/C

Unit / Squadron:

USS SALINAS (AO-19)

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

ATLANTIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Baker Second-Class

Miscellaneous:

The USS Salinas (AO-19) was an oiler assigned to the Naval Transportation Service / The Salinas provided petroleum products to bases and ships in the Atlantic and in Greenland / Commissioned on 16 December 1922 and decommissioned on 16 January 1946

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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FOURNIER**

THOMAS

J.

Address: 59 AURORA AVENUE

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: S. 1/C

Unit / Squadron:

SS BENJAMIN FRANKLIN (HULL # 066)

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

ATLANTIC THEATER

Service Notes:

A member of the Liberty ship, SS Virginia Dare gun crew, Seaman First-Class Thomas Fournier was cited for outstanding bravery, co-operation and devotion to duty. Seaman Fournier's crew shot down seven attacking German planes and repelled a series of air and submarine attacks during an eight day battle

Thomas Fournier was originally rejected for Navy duty in October 1941 when he sought to join his brothers, Francis B. and John C., in the Navy. His wisdom teeth had not appeared. The teeth grew in and Fournier was accepted into the Navy

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

SS Benjamin Franklin - Hull # 066 / Liberty ships, though a third larger, were built in 1943 in as little as 16 days / A Liberty ship could carry an amount of cargo equal to four trains of 75 cars each

SS Virginia Dare - For 17 days SS Virginia Dare, loaded with high explosives, was en route to and in a North Russian port where her vital cargo was discharged. Throughout this period she repelled countless enemy bomb and torpedo attacks by accurate fire from her guns and by skillful maneuvering. On a subsequent voyage she was torpedoed in the Mediterranean but, through smart seamanship, was beached and her valuable cargo salvaged / The stark courage of her heroic crew under violent enemy attacks caused her name to be perpetuated as a Gallant Ship

The Liberty ships — a vast new fleet for the war effort — were built in a national "Virtual Shipyard" that harnessed skills, resources, and facilities all across America. From 1941 to 1945, the United States increased its shipbuilding capacity by more than 1,200% and produced over 2,700 Liberty Ships, 800 Victory Vessels, 320 T-2 Tankers, and various other commercial and naval auxiliary vessels for a total of 5,200 ships constructed for the



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period / A Liberty ship was designed to carry about 10,000 tons of cargo, but in wartime conditions often carried much more. Liberty ships were nicknamed "ugly ducklings" by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt

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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FRANGER**

ROBERT

J.

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

(NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE)



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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FRANK**

CHARLES

H.

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

(NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE)



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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FRANK**

ELMER

P.

Address: 159 ORCHARD PARK ROAD

Service Branch: ARMY - AIR FORCE

Rank: CPL

Unit / Squadron:

549TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON, 385TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (HEAVY)

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

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Bomber aircraft assigned to the "Heavy" Bombardment group consisted of the B-17 Flying Fortress and B-24 Liberator aircraft

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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FRANK JR.**

JOSEPH

F.

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

(NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE)



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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: FRANKLIN

LLOYD G.

Address: 245 ORCHARD PARK ROAD

Service Branch: ARMY - AIR FORCE **Rank:** PVT

Unit / Squadron:

SECTION "O", BARRACKS 106

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Scott Field - Belleville, Illinois - The primary wartime mission of Scott was to train skilled radio operator/maintainers; to produce, as the Radio School's slogan proclaimed, "the best damned radio operators in the world!" / Scott's graduates flew in aircraft and operated command and control communications in every Theater of the War, and were often referred to as the "Eyes and Ears of the Army Air Forces"

Miscellaneous:



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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: FRANKLIN

RICHARD

G.

Address:

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: S. 2/C

Unit / Squadron:

BARRACKS L 2-0

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Seaman Second-Class

Base Assignments:

Sampson, New York - In the three-and-a-half years of its operation during World War II, the Sampson Naval Training Station trained 411,429 naval recruits before closing in 1946 / The camp was named in honor of a local Seneca County native, Rear Admiral William T. Sampson, from Palmyra, NY, a hero of the Battle of Santiago during the Spanish-American War

Miscellaneous:



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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FREDERICKSON**

LYLE

D.

Address:

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

WORLD WAR II VICTORY MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

The World War II Victory Medal was first issued as a service ribbon referred to as the "Victory Ribbon." By 1946, a full medal had been established which was referred to as the World War II Victory Medal. The medal commemorates military service during World War II and is awarded to any member of the United States military, including members of the armed forces of the Government of the Philippine Islands, who served on active duty, or as a reservist, between 7 December 1941 and 31 December 1946



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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FREDERICKSON**

MARVIN

Address: 3894 CLINTON STREET

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: PFC

Unit / Squadron:

MILITARY POLICE PLATOON, 1ST CAVALRY DIVISION

Medals / Citations:

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN RIBBON WITH 4 BRONZE CLUSTERS

PHILIPPINE LIBERATION MEDAL WITH 2 BRONZE CLUSTERS

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

PACIFIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Private First-Class Marvin Frederickson served in Bismarck Archipelago, New Guinea, Southern Philippines and Luzon

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

The Military Police provides expertise in police, detainment and stability operations in order to enhance security and enable mobility / In World War II, Military Police soldiers moved traffic along the Burma Road, supported amphibious operations on Normandy beachheads, and managed enemy prisoners of war from Italy to the South Pacific

The Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Ribbon (Medal) was a military awarded to any member of the United States Military who served in the Pacific Theater from 1941 to 1945. The bronze oak leaf cluster represents one additional award

The Philippine Liberation Medal was a military award of the Republic of the Philippines presented to any service member, of both Philippine Commonwealth and allied militaries, who participated in the liberation of the Philippine Islands between the dates of 17 October 1944 and 2 September 1945. The Philippine Liberation Medal is intended to recognize military service in the last days of World War II when the military of Japan was driven from the Philippines and then to eventually surrender in September 1945. To be awarded the medal, a service member must have served in the Philippines for at least thirty days during the eligible time period. The bronze oak leaf cluster represents one additional award



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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FREDERICKSON**

ROBERT

Address: 3894 CLINTON STREET

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: PVT

Unit / Squadron:

TRAINING COMPANY #4, 1ST TRAINING REGIMENT, N.S.F.T.C.

Medals / Citations:

BRONZE STAR

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Private Robert Frederickson participated in the Battle of the Bulge

Base Assignments:

Fort F.E. Warren - Cheyenne, Wyoming - The Francis E. Warren AFB is the oldest continuously active military installation within the Air Force, being established by the United States Army as Fort David Allen Russell in 1867 / During World War II, Fort Warren was the training center for up to 20,000 of the Quartermaster Corps

Miscellaneous:

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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FRICK**

NORMAN G.

Address: 250 AURORA AVENUE

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: CPL

Unit / Squadron:

102ND COAST ARTILLERY, ANTI-AIRCRAFT A.W. (AIR WARNING) BATTALION, BATTERY "B"

Medals / Citations:

PURPLE HEART

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN RIBBON

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

PACIFIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Coastal artillery is the branch of armed forces concerned with operating anti-ship artillery or fixed gun batteries in coastal fortifications

The Purple Heart was instituted in 1782 by George Washington and is the first and oldest military American decoration. The Purple Heart is awarded to military service members wounded or killed in action, in the latter case posthumously

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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FRIEDHABER**

EDWIN

Address:

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: PVT

Unit / Squadron:

COMPANY "C", 7TH ENGINEERING BATTALION

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Engineering Battalions performed many engineering tasks, including demolitions, obstacle emplacement, fortification, and light bridge building / Engineer general service regiments and battalions performed construction, repair, and maintenance duties of all kinds behind the front lines / When needed, combat engineers also could act as infantry

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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FRIEDMAN**

CHARLES

G.

Address:

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: PFC

Unit / Squadron:

COMPANY "B", 512TH MILITARY POLICE BATTALION

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FRIEDMAN**

PAUL

J.

Address:

Service Branch: ARMY - AIR FORCE

Rank: SGT

Unit / Squadron:

550TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON, 385TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FROMM**

WAYNE

L.

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

(NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE)



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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **FRONTERA**

JOSEPH

Address: 1882 UNION ROAD

Service Branch: ARMY - AIR FORCE **Rank:** PFC

Unit / Squadron:

UNIT "E", 113TH A.A.F. BASE UNIT

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Private First-Class Joseph Frontera served in Italy

Base Assignments:

Charleston Field, South Carolina - Renamed Charleston Army Air Field on 15 June 1943, initially the base served mainly as an air depot training station, providing the final phase of training to service groups and air depot groups departing home for the war overseas / In September 1943 the mission of the base changed to provide the final phase of training to B-24 Liberator crews.

Miscellaneous:



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Name: **FROST**

DOUGLAS A.

Address: 87 FLOHR AVENUE

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: PFC

Unit / Squadron:

COMPANY "B", 826TH ENGINEERING AVIATION BATTALION

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL

MARKSMAN: RIFLE

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Engineer aviation regiments and battalions were designed to construct and maintain air bases / Aviation engineers included engineer airborne aviation battalions, which were designed to be air transportable; to repair airfields captured by airborne forces

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The Good Conduct Medal is one of the oldest military awards of the United States Armed Forces. The Navy Good Conduct Medal was established in 1869, the Marine Corps version in 1896, the Coast Guard version in 1923, the Army version in 1941, and the Air Force version in 1963. The medal is awarded to any active-duty enlisted member of the United States military who completes three consecutive years of "honorable and faithful service". Such service implies that a standard enlistment was completed without any non-judicial punishment, disciplinary infractions, or court martial offenses



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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: FUHRMAN

JOHN

M.

Address: 48 BURCH AVENUE

Service Branch:

Rank: 1ST. LT.

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

First Lieutenant

Base Assignments:

Rhoads General Hospital - Utica, New York

Miscellaneous:



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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: FUHRMANN

EDWARD J.

Address: 165 EDSON STREET

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: SGT

Unit / Squadron:

251ST STATION HOSPITAL, BASE "F"
FIELD HOSPITAL SECURITY

Medals / Citations:

BRONZE STAR

PHILIPPINES LIBERATION MEDAL

COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN RIBBON

WORLD WAR II VICTORY MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

PACIFIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Sergeant Edward J. Fuhrmann participated in battles against Japanese forces in New Guinea, New Britain and the Philippine Islands

Sgt. Fuhrmann was aboard a troop transport on his way to participate in the invasion of Japan, until the atomic bombs were dropped on Japan. Japan surrendered shortly afterwards, ending the war and making the invasion unnecessary

Sgt. Fuhrmann witnessed the Japanese surrender on the USS Missouri in Toyoko Bay

Sergeant Fuhrmann served in the Army from 1942 - 1945

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Edward Fuhrmann worked as a bricklayer's apprentice, before joining the Army at the age of 18 years old

After an honorable discharge, Edward Fuhrmann returned home and became a union bricklayer, later starting his own company; the Edward J. Fuhrmann & Company / Upon retirement, Fuhrmann moved to North Carolina

In the years from June 30, 1943 to June 30, 1945 the Medical Department trained 189 General Hospitals, 74 Field Hospitals and 61 Station Hospitals for overseas service. In 1945, when the peak of overseas shipments occurred, the War Department sent 81 General, 35 Field, and 8 Station Hospitals to the various Theaters of



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Operations (European, African and Asiatic-Pacific). By May 1945, when the peak in Hospital beds overseas was reached, there were 335,000 fixed beds and about 87,000 mobile beds in all Theaters

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The Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Ribbon (Medal) was a military awarded to any member of the United States Military who served in the Pacific Theater from 1941 to 1945. Bronze service stars were awarded to all services for participation in designated campaigns

The World War II Victory Medal was first issued as a service ribbon referred to as the "Victory Ribbon". By 1946, a full medal had been established which was referred to as the World War II Victory Medal. The medal commemorates military service during World War II and is awarded to any member of the United States military, including members of the armed forces of the Government of the Philippine Islands, who served on active duty, or as a reservist, between 7 December 1941 and 31 December 1946

The Philippine Liberation Medal was a military award of the Republic of the Philippines presented to any service member, of both Philippine Commonwealth and allied militaries, who participated in the liberation of the Philippine Islands between the dates of 17 October 1944 and 2 September 1945. The Philippine Liberation Medal is intended to recognize military service in the last days of World War II when the military of Japan was driven from the Philippines and then to eventually surrender in September 1945. To be awarded the medal, a service member must have served in the Philippines for at least thirty days during the eligible time period

The Combat Infantryman Badge is awarded to infantrymen and Special Forces Soldiers in the rank of Colonel and below, who personally fought in active ground combat while assigned as members of an infantry, Ranger or Special Forces unit, of brigade size or smaller, any time after 6 December 1941



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Name: **FULLE**

NORMAN E.

Address: 4639 SENECA STREET

Service Branch: ARMY - AIR FORCE *Rank:* PVT

Unit / Squadron:

POST CAMP, UTILITY SECTION

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Private Norman Full was stationed in Iceland

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:



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Name: **FULLER**

LEROY

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

(NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE)



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Name: **FULLER**

LOREN

K.

Address:

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: S. 1/C

Unit / Squadron:

U.S.N.T.S. (UNITED STATES NAVAL TRAINING STATION)

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Seaman First-Class

Base Assignments:

Newport, Rhode Island - The U.S. Naval Base at Newport served as a PT-Boat (Patrol Torpedo) training center, a torpedo training school and a Naval Air Training Center

Miscellaneous:

Naval Training Centers introduced recruits to "boot camp" training and indoctrination / The recruits were given a battery of tests to determine their educational and skill levels, then trained in indoctrination, ordnance and gunnery, seamanship, fire fighting, physical training, military drill and shipboard duties



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Name: **FULLER**

WILLIAM

Address: 161 WESTMINSTER ROAD

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

COMPANY "A", 209TH ENGINEERING BATTALION

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Engineering Battalions performed many engineering tasks, including demolitions, obstacle emplacement, fortification, and light bridge building / Engineer general service regiments and battalions performed construction, repair, and maintenance duties of all kinds behind the front lines / When needed, combat engineers also could act as infantry

The European-African-Middle Eastern (EAME) Campaign Medal was a military award of the United States Armed Forces which was first created on 6 November 1942 by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. The medal was intended to recognize those military service members who had performed military duty in the European Theater (to include North Africa and the Middle East) and was awarded for any service performed between 7 December 1941 and 2 March 1946. The European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal was awarded as a service ribbon throughout the entire Second World War



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Name: **FUNSETH**

EDWARD

M.

Address: 288 MAIN STREET

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: C.M. 1/C

Unit / Squadron:

USS EMPORIA (PF-28)

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

ATLANTIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Construction Mechanic First-Class

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

The USS Emporia (PF-28) was a frigate, named for the city of Emporia, Kansas / The Emporia operated in the Atlantic Ocean charged with the duty of relaying weather reports from stations at sea between Newfoundland and Bermuda, information vital to the movement of ships and aircraft throughout the Atlantic Ocean region / Commissioned on 7 October 1944 and decommissioned on 14 March 1946

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Name: **FUNSETH**

ROBERT

L.

Address: 288 MAIN STREET

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: A.S.

Unit / Squadron:

UNITED STATES NAVAL RESERVE, V-12

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Hobart College - Geneva, New York - The V-12 Navy College Training Program was designed to supplement the force of commissioned officers in the United States Navy during World War II. Between July 1, 1943, and June 30, 1946, more than 125,000 men were enrolled in the V-12 program in 131 colleges and universities in the United States

Miscellaneous:

The purpose of the V-12 program was to grant bachelor's degrees to future officers drawn from both the U.S. Navy and the Marine Corps. Once they completed their baccalaureate program, the next step toward obtaining a Navy commission was to attend a U.S. Naval Reserve Midshipmen's School where the future officer was required to complete the V-7 program, a short course of four months, including one month spent in indoctrination school. Graduates from the midshipmen schools were commissioned as ensigns in the U.S. Naval Reserve and the majority entered into active duty with the U.S. fleet.
