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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: KALINOWSKI

Hometown: WEST SENECA

HENRY

A.

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank:

Year Entered:

Year Discharged:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

BRONZE STAR

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Henry A. Kalinowski served in Korea as a Combat Medic and was awarded the Bronze Star for his actions during hostile conditions

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Henry A. "Sarge" Kalinowski passed away at the age of 89 years old on October 1, 2021



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Name: **KAVANAGH**

Hometown: BUFFALO

JOSEPH P.

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: MARINE CORPS

Rank: SGT

Year Entered: 1952

Year Discharged: 1955

Unit / Squadron:

HEADQUARTERS, 1ST BATTALION, 11 MARINES, 1ST MARINE DIVISION

Medals / Citations:

KOREAN SERVICE MEDAL

UNITED NATIONS SERVICE MEDAL

NATIONAL DEFENSE RIBBON

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Sergeant Joseph Paul Kavanagh was a Heavy Truck Driver

Base Assignments:

Camp Pendleton, California - Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton is the major West Coast base of the United States Marine Corps and is one of the largest Marine Corps bases in the US. It is on the Southern California coast in San Diego County / The base was established in 1942 to train U.S. Marines for service in World War II / By October 1944, Camp Pendleton was declared a "permanent installation," and by 1946 it became the home of the 1st Marine Division / It was named after Major General Joseph Henry Pendleton (1860–1942), who had long advocated setting up a training base for the Marine Corps on the West Coast / Camp Pendleton trained the country's fighting force for the Korean and Vietnam Wars, approximately 200,000 Marines passed through the base on their way to the Far East

Miscellaneous:

1st Battalion 11th Marines (1/11) is an artillery battalion comprising four firing batteries and a Headquarters battery. The battalion is stationed at the Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton in California. Its primary weapon system is the M777 lightweight howitzer

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Name: **KELLEY**

Hometown: WEST SENECA

JAMES T.

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: PO2

Year Entered: 1944

Year Discharged: 1952

Unit / Squadron:

USS LCS (L)(3)

USS KLEINSMITH (APD-134)

Medals / Citations:

AMERICAN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

WORLD WAR II VICTORY MEDAL

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN MEDAL W/ 1 BATTLE STAR

PHILIPPINE LIBERATION MEDAL

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:**

Service Notes:

Petty Officer 2nd Class James T. Kelley served 8 1/2 years in the Navy with ratings of Electrician's Mate (EM) and Electrician's Mate - Power & Light (EMP) / During World War II, Kelley served aboard the landing craft support ship USS LCS (L-3), participating in the Battle of Okinawa and the liberation of the Philippine Islands / During the Korean War, Kelley served aboard the high-speed transport USS Kleinsmith (APD-134)

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

James T. Kelly received his Honorable Discharge from the United States Navy on 7 October 1952 / James Kelley retired from a career as a Buffalo Firefighter / James T. Kelley passed away on 1 February 2020

USS LCS (L)(3) was a 1 Class Landing Craft Support ship built during World War II / She saw brief action in World War II during the Battle of Okinawa / After the war, the USS LCS served in the Japanese Sea / The USS LCS was commissioned on 17 February 1945 and reclassified and transferred to Thailand, renamed the HTMS Nakha / She was returned to the United States in 2007 and became a museum ship in Vallejo, California / The USS LCS (L)(3) earned one Battle Star

The USS Kleinsmith (APD-134) was a Crosley-class high speed transport, named for Chief Watertender Charles Kleinsmith (1904-1942), who was posthumously awarded the Navy Cross for his heroism during the Battle of Midway / The Kleinsmith was commissioned on 12 June 1945 and her primary role was to land raiding parties on enemy beaches / In 1946 she patrolled the waters between Okinawa and Japan, returning to the Caribbean in 1951 / During the 1950's, the



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Kleinsmith deployed four times to the Mediterranean Sea / The USS Kleinsmith was decommissioned on 16 May 1960 and transferred to the Nationalist Government of the Republic of China

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

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 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 Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal awarded Bronze service stars to all services for participation in designated campaigns and a bronze arrowhead device was awarded for participation in designated Army amphibious and airborne combat assaults

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

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Name: KELLY SR.

Hometown: WEST SENECA

THOMAS M.

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: AIR FORCE

Rank: A1C

Year Entered: 1951

Year Discharged: 1955

Unit / Squadron:

6550TH OPERATIONS SQUADRON, AIR RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT COMMAND

Medals / Citations:

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL

GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:**

Service Notes:

Airman First-Class Thomas M. Kelly, Sr. was stationed with the 6550th Operations Squadron, Air Research & Development Command

Base Assignments:

Patrick Air Force Base, Florida - Patrick Space Force Base is a United States Space Force installation located between Satellite Beach and Cocoa Beach, in Brevard County, Florida, United States / It was named in honor of Major General Mason Patrick, USAAC / It is home to Space Launch Delta 45 (SLD 45), known as the 45th Space Wing (45 SW) when it was part of the Air Force / In addition to its "host wing" responsibilities at Patrick SFB, the 45 SW controls and operates Cape Canaveral Space Force Station (CCSFS) and the Eastern Range / It was originally opened and operated from 1940 to 1947 as Naval Air Station Banana River, a U.S. Navy airfield / It was then deactivated as a naval installation in 1947 and placed in caretaker status until it was transferred to the Air Force in late 1948 / The facility was renamed Patrick Space Force Base in December 2020

Miscellaneous:

Thomas Kelly, Sr. was Honorably Discharged from the United States Air Force on 17 May 1955 / Thomas M. Kelly, Sr. passed away at the age of 90 years old on 17 September 2021

The 6550th Support Wing (Range) was designated and organized on 1 April 1962 to replace the Air Base Group as the administrative and logistical support unit for the Air Force Missile Test Center (AFMTC) and was discontinued 1 March 1964 / The 6550th Air Base Group was separated from the Air Force Eastern Test Range (AFETR) when the latter was inactivated on 1 February 1977 / The 6550th subsequently operated as the 6550th Air Base Wing and served as Patrick's host unit until the Eastern Space & Missile Center was organized and activated on 1 October 1979



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Name: KENT

Hometown: WILLIAMSVILLE

STEPHEN J.

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: E-5

Year Entered:

Year Discharged:

Unit / Squadron:

COMPANY C, 65TH INFANTRY REGIMENT, 3RD INFANTRY DIVISION

Medals / Citations:

KOREAN SERVICE MEDAL W/ SERVICE STAR

UNITED NATIONS SERVICE MEDAL-KOREA

REPUBLIC OF KOREA PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION

COMBAT INFANTRY BADGE

ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL

GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Sergeant Stephen J. Kent was assigned to the Infantry and served 15 months in Korea

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Stephen J. Kent was Honorably Discharged from the United States Army on 11 September 1954

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

The 65th Infantry Regiment, nicknamed "The Borinqueneers" during the Korean War for the original Taíno Indian name for Puerto Rico (Borinquen), is a Puerto Rican regiment of the United States Army / The regiment's motto is Honor et Fidelitas, Latin for Honor and Fidelity / The Army Appropriation Bill created by an act of Congress on 2 March 1899, authorized the creation of the first body of native troops in Puerto Rico / On 30 June 1901, the "Porto Rico Provisional Regiment of Infantry" was organized / On 1 July 1908, Congress incorporated the regiment into the Regular Army as the Puerto Rico Regiment of Infantry, United States Army / On 14 May 1917, the regiment was activated and additional men were assigned, with the unit being sent to serve at Panama / On 4 June 1920, the regiment was renamed 65th Infantry / During World War II, the regiment saw action throughout Europe, especially France and Germany, participating in Naples-Foggia, Rome-Arno and Rhine / Several Purple Hearts were awarded posthumously to members of the 65th Regiment / The 65th Infantry Regiment participated in World War I, World War II, the Korean War, and the Global War on Terrorism / The men of the 65th, now attached to the Army's 3rd Infantry Division, were among the first infantrymen to meet the



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enemy on the battlefields of Korea / After November 1950, they fought daily against units of the Chinese People's Liberation Army after the Chinese entered the war on the North Korean side / In April 1951, the regiment participated in the Uijonbu Corridor drives and in June 1951, the 65th was the third regiment to cross the Han Ton River / The 65th took and held Chorwon and they were also instrumental in breaking the Iron Triangle of Hill 717 in July 1951 / In November 1951, the regiment fought off an attack by two regimental size enemy units / Many non-Puerto Rican Hispanics served in the 65th Infantry during the war / Among those who distinguished themselves in combat and who served in the conflict as a member of the 65th Infantry was a young first lieutenant of Mexican American descent whose name is Richard Edward Cavazos / Cavazos entered the military in Texas and served as company commander of Company E of the 2d Battalion / Cavazos, who in 1982, became the first Hispanic to become a four-star general in the United States Army, was the recipient of the Distinguished Service Cross, the Silver Star Medal, and the Bronze Star Medal / On 10 June 2014, the 65th Infantry was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal

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The Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation was awarded to units of the United Nations Command for service in Korea during the Korean Conflict from 1950 to 1954 / In recognition of allied military service to South Korea during the Korean War, all United States military departments were authorized the unit award for that period

The Combat Infantryman Badge (CIB) is a United States Army military award / The badge is awarded to infantrymen and Special Forces soldiers in the rank of colonel and below, who fought in active ground combat while assigned as members of either an Infantry, Ranger or Special Forces unit, of brigade size or smaller, any time after 6 December 1941

The Army Commendation Medal, created in 1945, is a mid-level United States military decoration presented for sustained acts of heroism or meritorious service / A "V" device distinguishes an award for heroism or valor in combat instead of for meritorious service or achievement

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Name: **KESTER**

Hometown: BUFFALO

MARTIN

A.

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: SGT

Year Entered: 1953

Year Discharged: 1954

Unit / Squadron:

188TH TRANSPORTATION COMPANY (PORT)

Medals / Citations:

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:**

Service Notes:

Sergeant

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Martin Allen Kester was employed as a Draftsman for the Popp & Sommer Company prior to being inducted into the U.S. Army on 19 January 1953 / Martin Kester was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars VFW Post 2940

Motor transport companies provide for the transport of personnel and a variety of commodities, including petroleum products, bulk cargo, and containers / They normally operate as part of a transportation battalion, a Combat Sustainment Support Battalion (CSSB) or Division Sustainment Support Battalion (DSSB)

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Name: KETTERER

Hometown: EAST AURORA

MILTON A.

Address:

- Korean Era
- Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank:

Year Entered: 1951

Year Discharged: 1952

Unit / Squadron:

25TH INFANTRY DIVISION

Medals / Citations:

- Served in War Zone** **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Milton A. Ketterer served with the U.S. Army Medical Services

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Milton A. Ketterer was Honorably Discharged from the United States Army on 18 September 1952 / Milton A. Ketterer passed away on 1 September 2021

The Army Medical Department of the U.S. Army (AMEDD), formerly known as the Army Medical Service (AMS), encompasses the Army's six medical Special Branches (or "Corps") / It was established as the "Army Hospital" in July of 1775 to coordinate the medical care required by the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War / Both the AMEDD and the Army Medical Corps trace their origins back to 27 July 1775, when the Continental Congress established the "Army Hospital", which was at that time overseen by the "Director General and Chief Physician" / Congress provided an Army medical organization only in times of war or emergency until 1818, at which point it created a permanent "Medical Department" / The Army Nurse Corps originated in 1901, the Dental Corps began in 1911, the Veterinary Corps in 1916, the Medical Service Corps emerged in 1917 (during WW I the Sanitary Corps was created as a temporary organization to relieve U.S. Army physicians from a variety of duties), and the Army Medical Specialist Corps came into existence in 1947 / The Army Organization Act of 1950 renamed the Medical Department to "Army Medical Service" and on 4 June 1968 / The Army Medical Service was renamed the Army Medical Department



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Name: **KILMER**

Hometown: BUFFALO

JOSEPH

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch:

Rank:

Year Entered:

Year Discharged:

Unit / Squadron:

8225 MASH

Medals / Citations:

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Joseph Kilmer served in the 8225 Mobile Army Surgical Hospital (MASH) in Korea as a Pharmacy Technician

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Joseph Kilmer earned a Bachelor's Degree in Education at Buffalo State College / Kilmer became a Teacher at the Orchard Park High School, teaching for decades until his retirement in 1983 / Joseph Kilmer passed away on 30 December 2022

The 9225 Mobile Army Surgical Hospital (MASH) was a U.S. Army field hospital units conceptualized in 1946 as replacements for the World War II-era Auxiliary Surgical Group hospital units / MASH Units were in operation from the Korean War to the Gulf War before being phased out in the early 2000s / Each MASH unit had 60 beds, as well as surgical, nursing, and other enlisted and officer staff available at all times / MASH units filled a vital role in military medicine by providing support to army units upwards of 10,000 to 20,000 soldiers / The 8225 MASH unit was responsible for providing medical assistance for both US soldiers and injured Allied Forces, as well as Korean civilians / During the Korean War, a seriously wounded soldier who made it to a MASH unit alive had a greater than 97% chance of survival once he received treatment / MASH units often took 24 hours to setup at new locations once moved with armored units, trucks and airmobile / Airmobile or the early stages of what we now call helicopters was crucial to the war effort as they were fast traveling units that could pickup casualties and deliver them effectively back to MASH units / With mountainous terrain in Korea this was crucial as ground transport could compromise the patients lives and would take longer to arrive to MASH units / In 1997, the last MASH unit in South Korea was deactivated



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Name: KINSELLA

Hometown: WEST SENECA

EDWARD L.

Address:

- Korean Era
- Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank:

Year Entered:

Year Discharged:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:



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Name: **KMIDOWSKI**
HENRY

Hometown: ORCHARD PARK

Address:

- Korean Era
- Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: CPL

Year Entered: 1951

Year Discharged: 1953

Unit / Squadron:

COMPANY A, 13TH ENGINEER CONSTRUCTION BATTALION, US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

Medals / Citations:

KOREAN SERVICE MEDAL W/3 SERVICE STARS

UNITED NATIONS SERVICE MEDAL (KOREA)

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Corporal Henry Kmidowski served 15 months in Korea

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Henry Kmidowski received his Honorable Discharge from the United States Army on 24 April 1953 / Henry Kmidowski passed away on 23 August 2017

The mission of the 13th Engineer Construction Battalion was to deploy worldwide and, as directed, conduct general engineering operations in support of military operations

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Name: **KNOBLAUCH**
EDWIN

Hometown: LANCASTER

Address:

- Korean Era
- Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank:

Year Entered:

Year Discharged:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Edwin Knoblauch was the owner and operator of the Knoblauch Dental Ceramics from 1955 to 2016 / Knoblauch was a member of the Buffalo Dental Lab Association / Edwin Knoblauch passed away on 26 October 2022 at the age of 92 years old

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Name: KOSINSKI

Hometown: WEST SENECA

STANLEY R.

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank:

Year Entered: 1952

Year Discharged: 1956

Unit / Squadron:

USS HYMAN (DD-732)

Medals / Citations:

NAVY OCCUPATION SERVICE MEDAL (EUROPE)

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:**

Service Notes:

Quartermaster Stanley R. Kosinski served aboard the USS Hyman (DD-732) for 2 1/2 years

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Stanley Kosinski was Honorably Discharged from the United States Navy on 6 March 1956 / Kosinski was a retired Buffalo Police Officer with over 33 years of service and was a lifetime member of the Leonard Post Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post # 6251 / Stanley R. Kosinski passed away on 9 July 2022

USS Hyman (DD-732), was an Allen M. Sumner-class destroyer of the United States Navy / The ship was named after Willford Milton Hyman and commissioned 16 June 1944 / Willford Milton Hyman first served on the battleship USS New Mexico and in the years before World War II, was assigned to many ships and a variety of shore stations, including the Office of Naval Operations / He assumed command of destroyer USS Sims on 6 October 1941 / After convoy escort duty in the Atlantic, Sims moved to the Pacific in early 1942 / In May 1942, as the Japanese attempted to extend their conquest to Port Moresby, the ship was operating with oiler USS Neosho in a fueling group for Admiral Frank Jack Fletcher's aircraft carriers / While the carrier fleets maneuvered for position, Japanese planes found Neosho and Sims in the Coral Sea; and, thinking they were carrier and escort, attacked in strength / After Lieutenant Commander Hyman fought his ship through 2 air raids, 36 Japanese planes attacked the 2 ships / Sims took three 500-lb. bomb hits in this third attack / From the time the first bomb that hit Sims had exploded to the time she was sunk was a total of 48 seconds, leaving only 13 survivors / Realizing that the destroyer was damaged beyond repair, Hyman ordered "abandon ship" but remained on the bridge, directing the evacuation until going down with his ship / The sacrifice of his ship and Neosho had much to do with saving the Navy's carriers in the widely separated engagements known as the Battle of the Coral Sea / He was posthumously awarded the Navy Cross / Through 1949 and 1950 the USS Hyman was assigned to reserve training duty out of Algiers, Louisiana, and on this duty she steamed for 2-week periods / With the outbreak of the Korean War in



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June 1950, Hyman engaged in maneuvers and training in the Caribbean, ending her reserve duty in September / After another cruise to the Mediterranean from 6 March to 7 June 1951, she prepared for Korean duty, getting underway from Newport on 2 October 1951 / Hyman steamed with her division via the Panama Canal, San Diego, and Hawaii, arriving at Yokosuka on 31 October / With the ground war in Korea then in stalemate, fleet air power, and surface bombardment carried much of the fight to the enemy / Hyman arrived at Wonsan for shore bombardment on 6 November, remaining in the area until 19 November, when she moved farther out to sea as plane guard for Australian aircraft carrier Sydney / Returning to Wonsan Harbor the destroyer engaged in a gunnery duel with batteries on Kalmo Pando peninsula 24 November, sustaining minor shrapnel damage during the close-in exchange / She carried out search and rescue duties into December when she joined Task Force 77 in the Sea of Japan during interdiction strikes on North Korea / Hyman returned to Yokosuka on 22 February 1952 and soon afterward embarked on the long cruise home, completing her round the world voyage at Newport on 21 April after visiting Ceylon, Saudi Arabia, Italy, and France / USS The Hyman was decommissioned in November 1969 and was sold 13 October 1970 for scrap

The Navy Occupation Service Medal is a military award of the United States Navy which was "Awarded to commemorate the services of Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard personnel in the occupation of certain territories of the enemies of the U.S. during World War II" and recognized those personnel who participated in the European and Asian occupation forces during, and following World War II / The medal was also bestowed to personnel who performed duty in West Berlin between 1945 and 1990

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Name: **KRAMER**

Hometown: AMHERST

EARL

E.

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: COL

Year Entered: 1943

Year Discharged:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:**

Service Notes:

Earl E. Kramer enlisted in the United States Army in 1943 and was assigned to the European Theater of Operations / Kramer served as a Machine Gunner with the 2nd Armored Division and landed in Normandy on D-Day +9 / Kramer served in a light tank during the Battle of the Bulge, and went on to serve in several campaigns across France, Belgium, Holland and Germany / He was wounded in April 1945 while on a recon mission in Germany

At the end of World War II, Kramer was Honorably Discharged from Army with the rank of First Sergeant / In 1949, Kramer received a direct commission as a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Army Reserve and served 35 years, retiring with the rank of Colonel

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Earl E. Kramer served in World War II and also served during the Korean War Era and the Vietnam War Era /Earl E Kramer passed away on 30 September 2017



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June 27, 1950 – January 31, 1955



Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: KRUEGER

Hometown: BUFFALO

ROY

G.

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank:

Year Entered:

Year Discharged:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

BRONZE STAR

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Roy George Krueger was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroic action during combat operations

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

After his Honorable Discharge from the United States Army, Roy Krueger worked for the Bethlehem Steel Plant in Lackawanna and Athey products in Raleigh, North Carolina / Roy George Krueger passed away on 23 December 2022 at the age of 90 years old

The Bronze Star Medal (BSM) is a is the fourth-highest individual military award and the ninth-highest by order of precedence in the United States Armed Forces / The Bronze Star is awarded to members of the United States Armed Forces for either heroic achievement, heroic service, meritorious achievement, or meritorious service in a combat zone / When the medal is awarded by the Army and Air Force for acts of valor in combat, the "V" Device is authorized for wear on the medal