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## Angela Patterson: Marines and Navy

■ By Trisha Walker  
Columbia Gorge News

INTEREST IN THE NAVY LED ANGELA PATTERSON TO the Marines in 1997.

And the Marines led her to the Navy Reserve, from which she retired in 2020.

The road to her long military career began when she was a child. Her father served in the Oregon National Guard while she was growing up, and she has good memories of that time.

“I remember my family tagging along with him on his annual training,” she said. “We always had fun adventures going with him, and all the great friends he had were like our extended family.”

She finished her senior year of high school at Oregon Youth Challenge Camp in Bend, which is run by the Oregon National Guard, before starting college.

“I always liked the structure and routine, the morale and the challenge,” Patterson said.

When she began at Chemeketa Community College in Salem, she worked in a deli that was housed in the same complex as the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps recruiting office.

“I originally wanted to go into the Navy and be an underwater welder,” she said. “They laughed and told me that females were not allowed to do that job. My dad had always told me in the Army you are just another number, so I thought what the heck, I’ll join the Marine Corps.”

She left for boot camp a week later.

But while stationed at a Navy Air Base in Sicily, Patterson met her husband, Kurt Patterson, who was a Navy Air Crewman. She left the Marines in 2003 and joined the Navy Reserve, and the two were stationed in Florida in 2004.

Meeting her husband is, of course, one of her most memorable experiences. “Taking mail out to his helicopter on the flight line was always fun,” Patterson said. She also remembers the increase in mail to the Mediterranean after 9/11. “Entire warehouses full of boxes!”

Another of those moments came when she got a phone call saying she’d made Chief Petty Officer (E-7), and her initiation; still another, deployment. “Both times I was notified of deployments — Iraq and Afghanistan — definitely made my stomach sink, but that was certainly memorable,” she said.

Patterson and her husband now live in the Parkdale area with their four children. Kadin, 18, is a senior, and Allison, 15, a sophomore, are both at Hood River Valley High School. Abbie, 12, is in sixth grade at Wy’east Middle School, and Calvin, 5, is in kindergarten at Parkdale Elementary.



Angela Patterson of Parkdale began her military career in the Marine Corps in 1997. She was deployed to both Iraq and Afghanistan. After meeting husband Kurt, a Navy Air Crewman, in Sicily, she joined the Navy Reserves in 2003. Patterson is pictured with both Kurt and her family, as well as at the Kandahar, Afghanistan, airfield.

Photos courtesy Angela Patterson

She has worked for the Hood River County School District since 2018. Patterson earned her Associates of Arts from Pensacola Junior College in 2007 and Bachelor of Arts in business and human resources from Capella University in 2012.

She began her career with the district as a substitute teacher. “I always enjoyed being part of my kids’ school, knowing their teachers, seeing their friends, checking out the groups at lunch and in the halls,” she said. “After being away from my kids for so long, I think I wanted them to know I was close, I was available and that I was there for them. I always enjoyed education, connecting with kids, and making a positive impact.”

She also comes from a family of educators; her father was the principal and then superintendent of the school district she grew up in.

She served as a long-term substitute PE teacher at Parkdale and then, in 2021, as an instructional assistant in the Structured Learning Classroom at HRVHS. When that position opened, “I knew it was time for me to settle into one job at one location and be back to work full time,” Patterson said.

In the Structured Learning Center, staff work closely with developmental delayed students at various levels — learning disorders, behavioral issues and high needs students.

“Working with developmental delayed students is really rewarding,” Patterson said. “I’ve seen kids overseas without basic needs, kids that aren’t allowed an education, kids that have no one to advocate for them. I want to make a positive impact and advocate for kids that might not have that support.”



“They are all so unique, with great personalities, I like making those connections with them,” she said. “Every day, they are teaching us something new — you really get an understanding for patience! Not every student learns the same and I love being able to connect with students outside the standard classroom environment.”

Recently, she was promoted to District Behavior ParaPro, though she won’t start until her position at the high school is filled, she said. But she’s looking forward to a new challenge as well as getting to know more students in the district.

When not working, she stays busy with 4-H (raising kunekune pigs, chickens and ducks), tee ball, soccer and cross country. She enjoys paddle boarding, hiking and the beach, as well as going on new adventures and exploring with the kids.

“Being in the military gives you such a sense of belonging and purpose,” she reflected. “I can’t say it was all rainbows and butterflies, but I had a pretty great time, seeing the world, traveling, living overseas, and meeting new people. I had all my schooling paid for, training with weapons that some folks now pay for, experiences that you can’t get with any other job. The benefits are also amazing.”



Private First Class  
Janice Acree



U.S. ARMY  
1990-1993  
Desert Storm

Chief Radioman  
Gene Adkisson



U.S. NAVY  
WWII South Pacific

1st Lieutenant  
Merril M. Adkisson



U.S. AIR FORCE  
1942-1946

Fred Akita



U.S. ARMY

Sgt.  
James N. Akita



U.S. ARMY  
Vietnam,  
Bronze Star

Corporal  
Robert Joseph Alaimo, Sr



U.S. Marines - 1941-1945  
WWII - South Pacific Purple  
Heart

Petty Officer  
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U.S. NAVY  
1943-1946  
Crew Chief, PBV-5

Major  
Mike Allegre



U.S. AIR FORCE  
1976-1980, Security Police  
1985-2007, Oregon National  
Guard, 142nd Fighter Wing

Corporal  
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1st Marine Division  
WWII - Guadalcanal

Sergeant  
Jeremy Anderson



U.S. ARMY  
1999-present Operation  
Iraqi Freedom

3rd Class Petty Officer  
Vernon T. Anderson



U.S. NAVY Seabees  
1942-1945 WWII  
Freetown, Africa,  
Casablanca, Okinawa

Kenneth  
Ashbaugh



U.S. NAVY  
1950-1954 Korean War

Jay Ashcraft



U.S. ARMY  
1964-1967, Seabees  
1983-2004,  
Retired Military

Captain  
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U.S. MARINE CORPS  
2001 - 2013  
Iraq, Afghanistan

First Class  
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U.S. NAVY  
1943-1951  
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Tech 3, Staff Sergeant  
Mervin G. Bachofner



U.S. ARMY 1945-1947  
Finance Clerk  
7th Infantry Division

Specialist ES  
Dennis Michael Bacon



U.S. ARMY  
1965-1968, Vietnam War  
101st Airborne Division

Herman  
Bagge



U.S. Marines 1942-1945  
Pearl Harbor, MP,  
Guard Duty

Cadet Nurse  
Dora McLean Bailey



U.S. NAVY  
WWII

Leonard "Dude"  
Bailey



U.S. AIR FORCE  
WWII, 1944-1945  
Italy

Master Chief  
Loren G. Bailey



U.S. NAVY  
1989-2013  
Linguist

Captain  
Thomas E. Bailey



U.S. AIR FORCE 1968-1972  
86 Combat Mission,  
Vietnam

MM2C(T)(CB)  
Earl Cleo Baldwin



U.S. NAVY  
1943-1945  
Const. Batt. Seabees

SGT Camden Ball



U.S. ARMY 2010-2014  
4-2 Stryker Brigade Combat Team,  
Fort Lewis Washington. NATO Defense  
Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service  
Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal,  
Army Commendation Medal

Jarrett Ball



U.S. ARMY  
2014-2016  
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WWII

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1950-53  
Korean War

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U.S. NAVY 1995-1999  
U.S.S. CALIFORNIA,  
PERSIAN GULF

Robert Baumgarten



U.S. NAVY  
1994-2016, OIF/OEF  
Operation Desert Shield,  
Operation Southern Watch,  
Meritorious Unit Citation, Armed  
Expeditionary

SR  
Jack Baumgartner



U.S. NAVY 1953-1956  
NATIONAL DEFENSE  
CHINA SERVICE AWARD

Sergeant  
John Becharas



U.S. ARMY Airborne  
1941-1945  
Paratrooper, Fort Bragg  
Camp Adar, Corvallis, OR

Private  
Ivan Benedict



U.S. ARMY  
1942-1945 WWII  
prisoner of war, 3½ years

Warrant Officer 2  
Jacob S. Beno



ARMY AVIATION/BLACKHAWK  
PILOT - 2005 TO PRESENT  
3-158TH AVIATION REGIMENT,  
STORM RIDERS,  
KATTERBACH, GERMANY

Captain  
Kelsey J. (Riise) Beno



ARMY AVIATION/BLACKHAWK  
PILOT - 2007 TO PRESENT  
3-158TH AVIATION REGIMENT,  
STORM RIDERS,  
KATTERBACH, GERMANY

Captain  
Claude Berthold



U.S. NAVY, U.S. MARINE  
CORPS - 1996 TO PRESENT  
-AFRICA, AFGHANISTAN  
HMH 464 HMH T302

E5 Sergeant  
Philip Berthold



U.S. MARINE CORPS  
1967-1970 - 3rd Marine  
MOS 1121 Viet Nam

E4 Corporal  
Will Berthold



U.S. MARINE CORPS  
1998 - 2000 - MOS 1833  
AMPHIBIOUS VEHICLE  
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BM2-E5  
John Michael Bishop



U.S. NAVY  
1968-1976  
Vietnam

Fireman 1st Class  
Clyde Blaisdell



U.S. NAVY, 1943-1946  
WWII VICTORY MEDAL,  
AMERICA, ASIATIC-PACIFIC,  
CHINA AND PHILIPPINES

Renolds W. Blazer



U.S. AIR FORCE 1953-1957  
Korean War

Sgt.  
James C. Block



U.S. ARMY  
1942-1946  
Battle of the Bulge

SFC  
James Block



Army National Guard 1961-  
67, 1987-2004 Vietnam  
Era Operation Desert Storm

Kenneth  
Block



U.S. NAVY  
1968-1972

Boatswains Mate 3rd Class  
Jesse Bloom



U.S. NAVY  
2009-2015,  
Honorable Discharges

AWF2  
James C. Bodolay



U.S. NAVY  
NSW Support Activity I

Sergeant  
Joseph S. Bodolay



U.S. ARMY  
1968-1969, Vietnam 39th  
Cavalry, 9th Infantry Div.

CE-2  
Justin W. Bodolay



U.S. NAVY  
NMCB-18 DET 2

Boatsen Mate 2/C  
Hollis Bolton



U.S. NAVY  
WWII 1942-1946  
SOUTH PACIFIC

Lynn  
Bolton



U.S. NAVY  
1944

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U.S. ARMY  
1968-1969, Vietnam War  
Awarded 2 Bronze Stars

SP-4  
J. Harrison Bowlds



U.S. ARMY  
1966-1968  
South Korea, 2nd Inf. Div.

AM2 (AW) Justin Bowlin  
U.S. NAVY



2003 - present

Private 1st Class Francis  
O. "Jake" Bradford  
U.S. ARMY - 1944-1946



WWII, Phillipines

Staff Sgt.  
John M. Brady



U.S. ARMY, 10th Mountain  
Div. 1999-present  
Infantryman/Sniper

Major General  
William J. "Bud" Breckner



U.S. AIR FORCE, 1955-1986  
Air Defense Europe, USS Intrepid,  
Chief of Staff Ramstein,  
Commander 17th Air Force NATO

Glenn Brittenham



U.S. MARINES  
1957-1967  
Vietnam Helicopter Crew Chief

Daniel Brock  
U.S. NAVY



1970-1974  
2 Tours Vietnam

T/SGT  
Walter M. Brock



ARMY AIR CORPS  
1942-1946  
1503 Base Unit World War II

Paul Philip Brooks



U.S. ARMY, 1942-45  
80th Infantry Division  
317th Infantry Regiment  
France, Ardennes,  
Rhineland

Captain  
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Marine Corps.  
Semper Fidelis  
1957—1969 Vietnam

Aviation Ordnanceman 3rd Class  
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Aerial Engineer - 1943-1945,  
WWII So. Pacific, 66th,  
5th Air Force

Gunnery Sergeant  
Lewis Brown



U.S. NAVY  
WWII

Staff Sergeant  
Lyle Brown



U.S. ARMY  
1942-1947

Corporal  
Robert G. Brown



U.S. ARMY 1953-1961  
7811 Army Unit  
Schweinfurt, Germany

Robert Olin  
Browning



U.S. NAVY  
Served 4 years

CoMM (AA)  
Jack M. Buce, Jr.



U.S. NAVY 1940-1944  
WWII U.S.S. Tennessee,  
Pearl Harbor  
Y.M.S. 365 Minesweeper

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U.S. NAVY 1970-1974  
U.S.S. Roark DE1053  
Gulf of Tonkin, Vietnam

Corporal  
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U.S. ARMY  
1917-1919, WWI  
Field Artillery

James S Burgett



U.S. ARMY 1969-1971  
82nd field artillery,  
1st battalion, Americal Division,  
Vietnam Veteran

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U.S. NAVY  
1967-1971  
Served on USS Caiman, USS Trout

First Class  
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U.S. AIR FORCE  
Airman  
Korea

Private  
Arthus Burslie



U.S. ARMY Overseas  
1918-1919  
Bat. D, 334d F.A.  
86th Division

PFC.  
Lynn Burtner



U.S. ARMY  
1942-1946

Sergeant  
Edward Murphy-Bustos



U.S. ARMY National Guard  
2010-2011  
Operation New Dawn

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Radarman  
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U.S. NAVY  
1942-1945, WWII South  
Pacific Theater

R. Woodrum  
Carlile



U.S. ARMY  
1942-1945 WWII

Quartermaster  
Alfred Carlson



U.S. NAVY WWII  
USS Liscome Bay,

Bob  
Carleton



U.S. ARMY  
1940-1945

Larry  
Carleton



U.S. NAVY  
1969-1973  
Vietnam War

Quartermaster/Signalman  
Richard Carlton



U.S. NAVY - WWII  
1942-1945  
Died Feb. 9, 2009

PN2  
Michael S. Carrico



U.S. NAVY 1966-1970  
USS SIMON LAKE AS-33  
Holy Loch, Scotland

Aviation Ordnance I  
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U.S. NAVY 1968-1974  
Vietnam - 2 Tours  
Attack Sq. Ninety Four

HM2  
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U.S. NAVY  
2006-2011  
Operation Iraqi Freedom

Captain  
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U.S. ARMY  
2003-2006

Sergeant  
Richard Chance



U.S. ARMY National Guard  
2003-present -  
USN, Desert Storm,  
Operation Iraqi Freedom

Master Chief Electrician  
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U.S. NAVY  
1976-2007

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U.S. NAVY  
1952-1956

S. Sergeant  
Chester C. Coats



U.S. AIR FORCE  
1943-1945  
1024th Signal Service

Third Class Petty Officer  
David Cochenour



U.S. NAVY 1966-1970  
Vietnam/Aircraft Crash  
Fire and Rescue Squadron

LTC  
Lester D. Cochenour



Oregon National Guard &  
Army Reserve  
1961-1992

Mechanic D 2nd Class  
Marlin A. Cochenour



U.S. NAVY  
1943-1948  
Vietnam

SK3  
Steven Cochenour



U.S. NAVY  
1969

Sergeant  
Amanda Cochran/Green



U.S. ARMY  
2012-2019  
Operation Enduring Freedom

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Cochran



U.S. ARMY  
2013-2016  
Tanker Unit

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Stan F. Coelsch



U.S. COAST GUARD  
1941-1945, WWII  
Pacific Operations  
Asiatic Pacific Medal

PO3  
Michael J. Coiner



U.S. NAVY 1987-1990  
USS America 1989  
Mediterranean/Indian Ocean

Master Sergeant  
Jerry Cole



U.S. MARINES  
1963-1967

Master Sergeant  
Mark Wayne Coleman



U.S. ARMY, Special Forces  
1988- KIA 5-2-2010  
Kandahar Prov., Afghanistan

Specialist 4th Class  
Mike Collier



U.S. ARMY  
1956-1958 & 1961-1962  
Korean War, Berlin Crisis

Sergeant  
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U.S. ARMY  
KOREAN WAR

Corporal  
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2008-2013

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Merchant Marine 1944-45  
U.S. ARMY 1951-1953  
WWII & Korean War

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1972-1976

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1995-1998

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IRAQ

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Royal Canadian Airforce  
1940-1946  
European Bomber  
Command Dispatch Writer

Eugene Dallas



U.S. NAVY  
Korean War

E-4  
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U.S. NAVY 1990-1994  
USS Denver, Desert Storm,  
Somolia

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U.S. ARMY  
1969-1971  
Vietnam

SP4-E5  
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U.S. ARMY  
1958-1960

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U.S. NAVY 1944-1947  
USS South Dakota (BB57)

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U.S. ARMY  
WWII

Sergeant  
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U.S. ARMY  
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U.S. NAVY Seabees  
1942-1945 - 4th Naval  
Construction Batt.

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U.S. NAVY - 1968-1976  
Vietnam - 2 Tours

Private First Class  
John (Jack) Denslinger



U.S. ARMY  
1950-52 Korean War  
48th Division, 180 Reg.  
Communications, Seoul

Aerographer Mate  
1st Class  
Bob DePriest



U.S. NAVY  
1942-1945

Lance Corporal  
Jacob Deswert



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2010 - present  
Afghanistan, North  
Carolina

Bob  
Dewitz



U.S. NAVY  
1942-1945

FC 3C  
Lee Dickson



U.S. NAVY  
1943-1946

Robert  
Divish



U.S. ARMY  
1970-1972  
Vietnam

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David Duff



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1942-1945

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1942-1945  
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Bronze Star, Purple Heart



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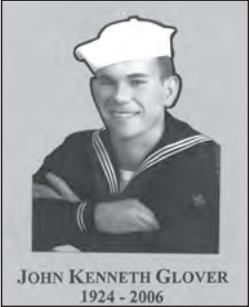
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# David Tuttle: US Army Infantry

■ By **Flora Gibson**  
*Columbia Gorge News*

Almost a year after signing up for the draft at age 18, in Sept. of 1952, David Tuttle got the notice: “I’m in the army now.”

Tuttle, who grew up in White Salmon and graduated from Columbia High School in 1950, would then volunteer for the Korean War and spend most of his service at the front.

“I went up to Fort Lewis and they loaded all of us in a Greyhound bus and took us to Camp Roberts, California. And it must have been 50 of us in that bus,” Tuttle remembered. “We slept on the bus.”

“I decided I wanted to go airborne,” he added. “So I had to have 16 weeks of infantry basics in order to qualify to go to jump school.”

Tuttle was offered radio school, “but I couldn’t tell a dot from a dash,” he said. He qualified for officer school, which required reupping for another year, not something he wanted. They offered him leadership school, but that required more training: “I didn’t want another eight weeks of spit and polish,” said Tuttle, who was then about 19.

Instead, Tuttle and a buddy of his changed their plans. “We volunteered for Korea,” Tuttle said, “because exuberance, I guess.”

He went home to White Salmon on a ten-day leave, before shipping out from California on the USS Meigs. At “a blazing 21 knots,” or about 24 miles per hour, the ship took about 20 days to carry 5,000 troops to Yokohama, Tuttle recalled. Disembarking took most of the day.

“We stopped there one day, and then they loaded personnel back up and then we went to Korea,” Tuttle remembered. At Inchon, the ship anchored out in the bay and unloaded Tuttle and his compatriots via launchers, again taking most of the day.

After a long train journey, the troops arrived at the Reassignment Depot. “They gave us a cot and a blanket and we slept outdoors until dawn,” Tuttle recalled. “It was cold and the blanket was not adequate. After breakfast we were sorted out into units.”

“I was assigned to the 1st battalion, Charlie Company, 179th Regiment. And I won’t go into platoons and squads,” he finished with a grin. “They outfitted us with steel helmets and rifles and all this gear ... They trucked us into a blocking position, a secondary front. And it was set up in case the Chinese breached the main line,” Tuttle recalled. He became an assistant machine gunner.

Peace talks were taking place at the time, Tuttle recalled, while around him the war went on.

Tuttle’s division only



David Tuttle holds a photo of himself and his squad on the set of Audie Murphy’s “To Hell and Back.”

Flora Gibson photo

stayed three days before being moved to the front in May of 1953, to Heartbreak Ridge, where they stayed until July 15.

On Tuttle’s first night at Heartbreak Ridge, the North Koreans tried to breach the line. “There was a gunfight with them,” he said. “The next night I was nominated to go out there and retrieve those bodies... so that was my first introduction to warfare.”

“Everybody had pretty well staked out their territory and there was no major battles,” Tuttle said. “We went out on patrols every night. Sometimes they met resistance.”

Tuttle was reassigned as an automatic rifleman. That was the main fire of a squad, he said, a big heavy shoulder-held automatic weapon.

“We lived in bunkers. They were generally made of sandbags and reinforced timbers. They were probably about ten foot by ten foot,” Tuttle said. One bunker could sleep six, with a stove in the center, burning charcoal to avoid smoke, and they had no light except candles. “The only time you went in there was to sleep,” or get shelter from a heavy barrage, Tuttle recalled. “We were there for the better part of two months and there were no showers, so everybody got a little gamey by then.” The Korean interpreters lived nearby, in another bunker.

The trenches were already

built, using miles of sandbags piled breast high, because the ground was to hard to dig. The food was cooked and trucked up the back of the ridge, where Tuttle’s squad was designated to serve chow once a week.

Food distribution was generally overseen by a cook. “At the end of our chow line was a pile of cigarettes and candy for the taking. The food servers were there first and helped themselves,” Tuttle said. “No one went without, but all the better stuff was long gone. ... Candy was not all that great as it consisted of types that could stand the heat. No chocolate.” That meant hard wafers, “jellied stuff we called Chuckles,” Walnettos, and the most liked — taffy-like Bit-o-Honey.

Although no major battles took place, Tuttle recalled snipers and mortar shells, and constant patrols. “They had this North Korean that was always sniping at us,” he remembered. “He was evidently in a cave. We called him Bad Ass Charlie.”

Eventually, a couple of volunteers went down below Bad Ass Charlie’s cave with rifles, pinpointed him, and killed him. No more sniping.

Tuttle was quickly promoted. “My squad leader rotated home and his assistant took over about a month before we got off this Heartbreak Ridge. And then he appointed me as assistant squad leader. And by the week before we pulled off, I was

a squad leader,” Tuttle recalled. “Advanced that quick! Nothing I set out to do.”

The squad got a brief rest, rotated back to the rear for hot showers and clean clothes. “They had a place you could buy candy and cigarettes, and we used a lot of hot water,” Tuttle noted. “We were only there for a couple of days. And one evening they came by with trucks... and told us to get our full field gear.”

“We went up these winding gravel roads at breakneck speed with lights out. It was somewhat unnerving. We thought we were on some sort of maneuver,” he said. “And pretty soon we realized they’d taken us back to the front.”

Tuttle had come to the Christmas Hill Sector. “We got up the next morning and they said, ‘We brought you up here for a counterattack,’” he remembered. The 180th battalion was under siege, Queen’s Outpost had been overrun, and the Chinese “were badly over Christmas Hill,” Tuttle recalled. In fighting over the Christmas Hill Sector, the 180th had taken tremendous losses. The 1st battalion retook the area, with little resistance.

There were no fortifications near Christmas Hill, so Tuttle and his squad lived in foxholes for eight days. Once again, Tuttle went out into the dark to retrieve bodies. This time, it was the 180th’s dead. Doing so at night, though, proved difficult. “We had one Chinese, that’s all we brought back,” Tuttle remembered. “And top brass wasn’t too happy with our efforts.”

The next morning a group went out in daylight, and recovered the bodies.

Tuttle was sent out again. “We came under fire from mortars. The second shot hit a tree ... and we dropped the body and took cover,” he said. As they retrieved their burden, Tuttle found his hands slippery with blood. A piece of shrapnel had struck his hand. With few options, Tuttle hooked the shrapnel out with his bayonet.

“So we took the party on over to the battalion aid station. And they said, ‘What you get hit with?’ And I said, ‘I just happen to have it in my pocket,’” Tuttle remembered, pulling imaginary shrapnel from his lapel. “And the guy says, ‘Oh, you need a tetanus shot too!’”

For the most part, though, “Not too much happened, other than the constant day and night barrages,” Tuttle said. “We just buttoned up in our foxholes.”

He added later, “You’d

think they were trying to use up their supply of artillery and mortar shells before the war was over.”

Tuttle didn’t receive his Purple Heart for the injury until years later, as records of his service were lost after the war. “I did not receive a Purple Heart for through any formal military ceremony,” he explained. Many years after Korea, an army buddy of Tuttle’s told him that he could apply to the military to have his medals and decorations shipped to him for free. Tuttle applied twice with no results, only to discover his records had burned in a fire in the 1970s.

“The military did not even know I existed. It took some time and effort to get enough data together to get them to recognize me,” he explained. “I fought the system for years with letters, affidavits and a vet’s advocate to help restore my records to my liking.” He never got complete satisfaction.

At Heartbreak Ridge, supplies were lean. “Out only access to the Outpost was a trail that led back to the front line,” Tuttle noted. All supplies were packed in, they ate only C-rations, and no water was brought. Tuttle assigned someone to hike out and fill everyone’s canteens at a spring on the access trail. “One day the barrage was so heavy that no supplies were carried in,” Tuttle said. “We went very lean that day.”

The fighting with the signing of the Korean Armistice on July 27, 1953. “We woke up that morning and it was suddenly quiet,” Tuttle recalled. “Somebody came down and said, ‘War’s over.’ ... They said, the Chinese are over on the far hill, waving.”

“We were told not to celebrate, not to fire the guns, not to do anything to upset the peace,” he added. “They had one Catholic boy. I remember him. He got down on his knees. He took his helmet off and crossed himself. And we all took off our helmets, and honored this. And that was the end of the war.”

“We didn’t lose too many guys in our unit,” Tuttle added. But he remembered acquaintances, and other soldiers he knew, or met briefly, who died from enemy fire, mortar shells, accidents.

Tuttle’s service was far from over. First, he and his squad were ordered to clean up the area. They picked up C-ration cans, loose junk and ammo, all the material mess of war, and buried it in the foxholes. The slit trench Tuttle had had dug, in order to solve the problem of “200 guys in a company ... headed

into the brush,” also became a landfill.

Tuttle and his squad walked back from the front. “We hiked back on the access trail... and expected trucks to haul us somewhere. No such luck,” he remembered. “We had to hike back to the rear most of a day to a large valley where we set up an encampment.” They lived in pup tents until squad tents were set up.

Camp George was named for a Medal of Honor winner. “They had beer gardens, and outdoor theaters,” Tuttle recalled. “It was a regular city when we set up through with it.”

They still weren’t sure the war was over. “Every time the Chinese moved some troops, everybody got panicky. And so we grab our rifles up and run out on some hill and wait for them.”

But there was no more fighting, and the division broke up in February. The Koreans were sent back to their own army. Tuttle was reassigned as squad leader of the Fifth Regimental Combat Team and sent to guard the empty facilities on the island of Koge-do, which had housed thousands of prisoners during the war, he said.

“There was a water reservoir they built, to furnish water to all these prisoners. So they sent guards up at night, to keep people from contaminating the water, I guess. But basically that’s all we did,” he said.

Sometime in May of 1954, Tuttle shipped back to the States. It took another 20 days on the USS Black, and when he got there, he found out his service still wasn’t over.

Everyone with three months or service or less remaining was sent home for immediate discharged. But Tuttle had three months and ten days. He had to spend another three months at Fort Louis, near Seattle. “I was not a happy camper,” he said.

Soon after, Tuttle found himself on set in a movie. “Well, there was Audie Murphy coming to shoot ‘To Hell and Back,’” Tuttle recalled. “And he came in on a plane one day. And they sent a group of us down there to greet him. Very small man,” he added thoughtfully. “I was really surprised. He looked big in the Westerns.”

But the filming meant Tuttle had to give up time with his future wife, Beverly. The partners met in White Salmon, when Tuttle was on leave after the war. “We’ve seen that movie a million times,” Beverly recalled.

Tuttle appears near the end of ‘To Hell and Back,’ a flag in his hands, marching down the street with his men, period badges for the Third Armored Division attached to their uniforms.

In Sept. of ‘54, Tuttle finally got out of the army and went back to White Salmon, where he returned to work at a local sawmill. He and Beverly bought a house in Home Valley, but that sawmill closed. Later, Tuttle went into construction as a surveyor.

He later worked as surveyor on construction of the Harvey aluminum plant in The Dalles.

Tuttle went to work for Tenneson Engineering in 1960.

The pair moved to The Dalles in 1962, and stayed. Tuttle continued with his work, becoming a licensed surveyor in Washington, Oregon and Idaho in 1968 and 1969. He joined the company and served on the board for several years, continuing after retirement in 1996.

“I think I matured,” Tuttle said of his service. “I think I grew up. I came out a little older. I got to see a lot of things, and do a lot of things.”

There’s one thing, Tuttle recalled with some amusement, that he still regrets he couldn’t do. “The day they sent me over to the 45th Combat Team, Marilyn Monroe was there,” he recalled. “I didn’t get to see her... I had to sit in the back of a cold, old, dusty truck!”



The blue cord in David Tuttle’s uniform, on display at the Veteran’s Museum in The Dalles, signifies that the wearer was qualified as an infantryman and was in the front line troops.

Flora Gibson photo



# HONORING OUR VETERANS

Rudy  
Dierickx

Cleland  
Harr



■ By Noah Noteboom  
Columbia Gorge News

Korean War veterans Cleland “Ciel” Harr and Rudy Dierickx were two of a handful of other war vets who were honored at the Puget Sound Honor Flight in Washington D.C. on Oct. 13-15. Both reside in White Salmon and continue to give back to their communities. Before they found themselves living in the Gorge, they served in the United States Army during the Korean War in the early

1950s.

After World War II, Japan had occupied the Korean peninsula for nearly four decades. The United States stepped in to oversee the Japanese surrender and facilitate the creation of a single, independent Korea. Instead two groups were formed and when the South Korean forces attacked the North on June 25, 1950 the Korean War began.

Shortly before this, Ciel was attending college at Emporia State College — his

hometown — and could’ve received a deferment, but chose to enlist because other family members had served or were serving already.

“Since my dad had been in the trenches during WWI and I had three brothers who were all in the service at that time. I decided I had to go because I was the last one in the family who hadn’t been in service,” Ciel said laughing. “So I went down to have my name put up in the draft.”

Rudy recalls he had just graduated high school and was working as a lineman on the railroad in 1950 when he enlisted.

“I thought I would enlist and get this thing out of the way. So I went through basic [training] down at Camp Gordon, Georgia. And by July 1, 1951 I landed in Korea,” Rudy said.

Although they served overseas over a similar timeline, their paths never crossed.

Ciel was always on the move and had a new “home” every now and then. What should have been a nine month stint turned into 13. His extended stay did not come without a few positives. He earned his Sergeant First Class title and he worked in the Fire Direction Center graphing coordinates and directing heavy artillery where to fire.

Rudy landed at the Port of



Dierickx in a different kind of uniform. He represented his squad's football team who went around playing other teams of American soldiers during the war. He served as a member of the Signal Corps.

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At middle, Ciel and his wife, Stella, have been married 69 years. They wed after Ciel returned from war and together they moved to the west coast. At bottom, Ciel saved his medallions, badges and other trinkets from his time in Korea.



Noah Noteboom photos

## Gorge-area Veterans Day events



■ Nov. 11 — **Veterans Day Breakfast**, 8-11 a.m. at the Hood River Elks Lodge, 304 Cascade Ave. Free and open to the community. Live music, auction and raffle prizes. Proceeds benefit HR Elks Veterans Committee.

■ Nov. 11 — **Second Saturday**, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at WAAAM, 1600 Air Museum

Road, Hood River. Will focus on military vehicles.

■ Nov. 11 — **It's All About You Shopping Bazaar**, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at The Dalles Eagles Lodge, 2006 W. Seventh St.

■ Nov. 11 — **Veterans Day Parade**, 11 a.m. (flyover at approximately 11:25 a.m.) beginning on W. Sixth St. in The

Dalles and ending in front of The Dalles Chamber.

■ Nov. 11 — **Veterans Day Ceremony**, 11 a.m. at Anderson's Tribute Center, Hood River. Led by the American Legion Post 22. Refreshments to follow. All welcome.

■ Nov. 11 — **Columbia Grange No. 87 134th**

**Birthday**, 1 p.m. at Grange Hall No. 5, off Old Highway 8 above Lyle. Cake, ice cream, presentation, pie auction.

■ Nov. 11 — **Free Dinner for Veterans**, 6 p.m. at the White Salmon Elks Lodge. Dinner will be followed by an appreciation program. Sponsored by American Legion Post 87.





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1971-1975

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U.S. ARMY

Arn Lund



U.S. ARMY  
1942-1945

IS2 SW  
Damien P. Lutgens



U.S. NAVY  
2019-Present  
NCIS Quantico, VA

ETR3  
David Lutgens



U.S. NAVY  
1964-1968  
U.S.S. Franklin D. Roosevelt

Sonar Tech SA  
Gaven Lutgens



U.S. NAVY  
U.S.S. Tucson  
SSN 770 Pearl Harbor

AT3 VF-32  
Robert Lutgens



U.S. NAVY 1997-2001  
U.S.S. Enterprise  
U.S.S. Harry S. Truman  
Operation Desert Fox

Sergeant  
Bradford Lynch



U.S. ARMY  
1972-1975

Ed Macken



U.S. NAVY  
1942-1945  
WWII

MM 1st Class  
Peter J. Macnab



U.S. NAVY  
1942-1945, WWII  
Navy Seabees

Captain (Pilot)  
Ralph Madsen



U.S. ARMY AIR CORPS  
1943-1945  
Awarded DFC, Air Medal, Distinguished Unit  
Badge, Asiatic Pacific Service Medal, European  
African Middle Eastern Service Medal

1st Lieutenant  
Richard H Maier



U.S. ARMY  
10th Mountain Division Ski Troop  
Korean War / Purple Heart

2nd Lieutenant  
Robert "Bob" Majors



U.S. MARINE AIRCRAFT  
SQUADRON  
1942-1945 WWII  
KIA 1945 in the Philippines

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USS Ranger  
CV-64

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Vietnam Veteran  
USS Osborne

Medic  
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1944-1946

Sergeant Major  
Gavin McIlvenna



U.S. ARMY  
1989-2012  
Operation Noble Eagle  
Operation Iraqi Freedom

Fireman  
Donald A. Martin, Jr.



U.S. NAVY  
2008 - Present

Medic  
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U.S. ARMY  
1982-1985

E4  
Kenneth R. Martin



U.S. NAVY  
1958-1960  
Pacific Fleet Pearl Harbor

T/5  
Roderick Martin



U.S. ARMY  
1944-1946  
WWII, European theater  
Stateside after the war

Nurse  
Aletha Card Martinez



U.S. ARMY 1943-1967  
WAC Nurse WWII, Germany,  
Austria, Surgical Nurse

Corporal  
Everett Marvel



Marines First Division  
1942-1945

Staff Sergeant  
Alvin Marvin



U.S. ARMY AIR CORPS  
1941-1945  
Air Offensive Japan

PV3  
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U.S. ARMY  
2017-present

AMH3 3rd Class  
Kenton Mathewson



U.S. NAVY  
1962-1965  
Vietnam

E-6  
Darren Maurer



U.S. NAVY AIR  
2002-present  
Pearl Harbor, Hawaii

Senior Chief Petty Officer  
Robert "Max" Maxwell



U.S. NAVY 1955-1994  
Two Korean Campaigns: USS  
Chickasaw, Eniwetok, Kwajalein Atolls,  
Nuclear testing

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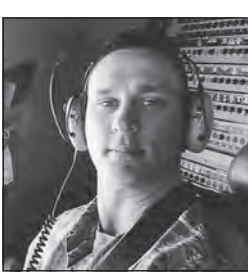
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2002 - present  
Operation Iraqi Freedom

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1965-1969  
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WWII, Okinawa, Korean War

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U.S. National Guard  
1970-1977

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Desert Storm- 1989-91  
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10th Mountain Division  
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2005-2008, 2-8 Cavalry  
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1942-1946

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1981-1985  
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1941-1945

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1st Marine Division  
Vietnam, 1962  
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U.S. ARMY  
World War II  
New Guinea, Philippines  
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5th Division, POW Germany

EN4  
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1960-1964  
U.S.S. Whetstone, Pacific  
during Bay of Pigs

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ARMY - 996th Air Squad-  
ron, 556 Air Service  
1944 - 1947  
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Pacific Theater, 1943-1945

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1943-1948

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1966-1988  
Germany

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U.S. ARMY 7th Infantry Div.  
1947-1953  
Korean War

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U.S. ARMY  
1987-1989  
101st Airborne

E-5 Machinery  
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U.S. NAVY  
01/1965-12/1967  
Vietnam

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2005-2009

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Newton



U.S. NAVY  
1942-1945

T/5  
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U.S. ARMY  
1943-1945  
South Pacific

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U.S. NAVY  
1968-1974, 1988-2004  
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1974-1988

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U.S. ARMY  
1968-1970  
981 MP Co. K9  
Pleilru, Viet Nam

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Delbert G. Oades



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03/23/1945-12/3/1946

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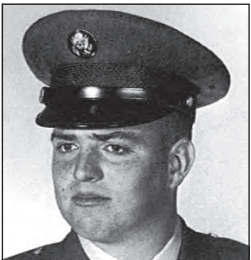
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1968-1970  
Air Medic, Vietnam  
3 Purple Hearts

Lieutenant  
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U.S. ARMY  
1942-1945  
Philippines

Army Specialist 4  
Melvin John Olmstead



U.S. ARMY  
1966-1968  
Vietnam

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U.S. Navy  
1950-1954  
Korean War, stationed in Japan,  
Philippines and Aleutian Islands

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WWII, decoy ships  
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1st Battalion 24th Infantry

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Marvin Polehn




U.S. ARMY  
1953-1956  
Active duty Korea, 1953-1955

PFC  
Charles W. Powell




U.S. ARMY,  
332nd Engineers  
1942-1945  
WWII - Allied invasion of  
Normandy, Omaha Beach

Ronald  
Powell




U.S. AIR FORCE  
1963-1979  
Special Forces Search & Rescue

Corporal  
Gabriel A. Prado




U.S. MARINES  
2002-2006 - Iraq War  
1st Battalion, 4th Marines  
Alpha Co. Raiders

BTFN  
Harvey Prouty




U.S. NAVY  
1952-1955  
Korean War - U.S.S. Essex CVA9

Electrician's Mate 2nd Class  
Gayl Rakestraw




U.S. NAVY  
1943-1946  
Numerous medals & awards

Hosp. Corpsman 3rd Class  
Glenn R. Ramsey




U.S. NAVY & MARINES  
1956-1960  
Camp Pendleton, 29 Palms,  
Port Hueneme

E-5  
Darren Rank



SEAMAN  
U.S. NAVY  
Aug. 7, 2002—current


CW3 Stan Redmond  
Major Erin Stewart



U.S. ARMY  
Deployed - Africa


U.S. ARMY  
Retired

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Wallace M. Regets




U.S. NAVY  
1941-1961  
Served on the U.S.S. St. Louis, U.S.S.  
LSM 460 during WWII

1st Sergeant  
William (Bill) Reiman




U.S. ARMY  
1942-1945, WWII  
Battle of Leyte, Philippines  
Okinawa, 531st Frwd Artillery

Jess Ben  
Remington




U.S. MARINE CORPS  
Recipient of Purple Heart  
Iwo Jima WWII

Staff Sergeant  
Michial Renault




U.S. ARMY  
1987-2009  
907th ENG DET Firefighters  
Operation Desert Storm  
Operation Enduring Freedom

Gene L.  
Reynolds




U.S. MARINE CORPS  
WWII - Pacific

Master Sergeant  
Darrell Richardson




U.S. ARMY  
1943-1945  
Purple Heart recipient

Floyd  
Richardson




U.S. NAVY  
1943-1945

Specialist  
Matthew W. Riggs




U.S. ARMY  
2011 to present  
Afghanistan

1st Lieutenant  
Dayna M. Riise




ARMY ENGINEERS  
2011 to present  
Ft. Shafter, Honolulu, HI,  
U.S. Army Pacific Headquarters

SFC E7  
John A. Ringlbauer




U.S. ARMY 1970-74  
Oregon National Guard  
1986-2009 (Retired)  
Vietnam

Corporal E-4  
William F. Ringlbauer




U.S. ARMY AIR CORPS  
1941-1945  
North Africa World War II

SP4 E-4  
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Vietnam

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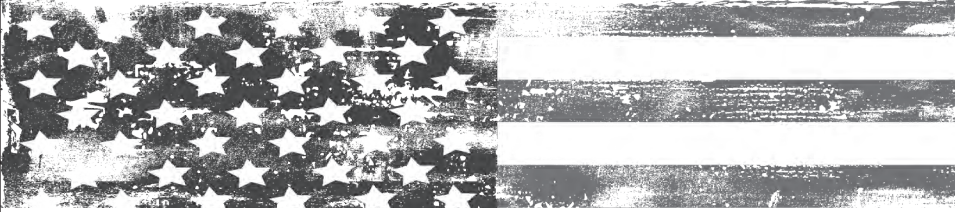
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1992 - present  
Afghanistan

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U.S. ARMY  
1957-1969  
14th QM Br. Babenhausen - Germany  
Long Binh, US Army Support  
Command - Siagon, Vietnam

Specialist  
Michael O. Robbins



U.S. ARMY AIRBORNE  
Kosovo 1999  
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Robert Clark Robins



U.S. NAVY  
1958-1962

Private  
Billy Robinson



U.S. ARMY  
1946-1947, WWII  
Aircraft Artillery

ABE 2nd Class (E-5)  
Brian Rockett



U.S. NAVY  
1987-1991  
USS America (CV-66) Aviation  
Division, Operation Desert  
Shield, Operation Desert Storm

Signalman 1st Class  
William 'Bill' Rooper



U.S. NAVY  
1942-1945, WWII  
South Pacific

A/1c  
Marvin O. Ross



U.S. AIR FORCE  
Nov. 1954-July 1959

Tony  
Rowland



U.S. ARMY  
1971-1974  
8th Div. Baumholder

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Wayne Ryan



U.S. MARINES  
1942-1945  
1st Marine Division

Colonel  
William T. Ryan



COMBAT INFANTRY  
Transportation 1942-1970  
WW II - Vietnam - Korea  
Recipient of Purple Heart

AS, S2C, SIC  
Allan C. Sandvig



U.S. NAVY 1944-1946  
U.S.S. Essex, WWII  
Asiatic Pacific, Philippine Liberation

First Sergeant  
Merlyn Dale Sasser



U.S. ARMY  
1941-1945  
WWII Philippine Liberation  
640 Tank Destroyers

Brian E.  
Sauncy



U.S. NAVAL  
Submarine Base  
Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, 1971

Chief Electricians Mate  
E.T. Sauncy



U.S. NAVY  
Submarine Service  
1936-1958

Sergeant  
Cody T. Saunders



U.S. ARMY  
2011-present  
Operation Enduring Freedom

Corporal  
Elmer W. Sawdon



U.S. ARMY  
1941-1946 WWII  
Casablanca, Morroco

Sergeant  
Skylar Schacht



U.S. MARINE CORP  
1989-1993  
1st Gulf War

Sergeant Amanda Lee  
Cochran Schaffer



U.S. ARMY  
2012-2019  
Served one tour in Afghanistan

William  
Scharfenberg, Jr.



U.S. ARMY  
1943 - 1946  
WWII Victory Medal, European-  
African-Middle Eastern Service  
medal, COOD Conduct Medal

Bosun's Mate  
Herb Schmidt



U.S. NAVY  
1950-1953  
U.S.S. Whitesides, Korea

SP-4  
Dave Schroeder



U.S. ARMY 1973-1975  
25th Infantry &  
65th Engineer Battalion

PFC  
Angela Schultze



U.S. ARMY  
June 1994-Jan. 1996

Machinist's Mate 3rd Class  
Ernest Sellberg, Jr.



U.S. NAVY  
1943, WWII  
Navy Seabees

PVC  
Jim Sergeant



U.S. ARMY  
1954-1956

PFC  
Dale Shaver



U.S. MARINES  
1940-1944

Flight Officer  
C.R. (Dick) Shearer



Glider Pilot 1942-1947  
D-Day - Market Garden -  
Rhine Mission

Cadet  
A/S John W. Shearer



U.S. AIR FORCE  
1943-1945  
Liaison Pilot Training

Corporal  
Rev. Fred M. Sheldon



U.S. ARMY, & NATIONAL  
GUARD 1953-1956  
Served in Gilhausen, Germany,  
Fort Ord, Calif., Camp Kilmen, NJ

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U.S. NAVY  
1966-1968,  
Gulf of Tonkin, Vietnam  
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U.S. NAVY  
1943-1946  
U.S.S. Capricornus  
WWII - Asia/Pacific Theater

Staff Sergeant  
Adam Sigl



U.S. AIR FORCE  
2005-2011  
791 Missile Security  
Forces Squadron

SP5  
Ron G. Simonds



U.S. ARMY  
Vietnam  
Nov 13, 1948 - Apr 19, 2006

Staff Sergeant  
Jesse James Simpson



U.S. ARMY  
1942

AMM 2/C  
Russell E. Sinclair



U.S. NAVY  
1941-1946  
WWII

Staff Sgt./Chief Master Sgt.  
Truman Sinclair



ARMY AIR CORPS  
U.S. AIR FORCE  
WWII 1943-1945  
U.S. A.F. 1945-1983

2nd Class  
Art Smith



U.S. NAVY  
1952-1966

A2  
Donald Smith



U.S. AIR FORCE  
1955-1959

1st Lieutenant  
Eugene Charles Smith



U.S. ARMY  
WWII  
Korea 1950-1954

Senior Airman  
Joshua Smith



U.S. AIR FORCE  
2007-2010  
Linker Air Force Base  
Oklahoma City

Staff Sergeant  
Myrle E. Smith



U.S. ARMY AIR CORPS  
1941-1945, WWII  
Air Mechanic

Russell A. Smith



U.S. ARMY  
Korean War 1953-1955  
Okinawa 1954-1955

1st Class Petty Officer  
Michael S. Spencer



U.S. COAST GUARD  
1992-present  
Aviation Survival, USCG  
Distinguished Flying Cross

Airman 1st Class  
David Staehnke



U.S. AIR FORCE  
1960-1964

Senior Airman (E4)  
David Stefanini



U.S. AIR FORCE  
1999-2003  
10th SFS United States  
Air Force Academy,  
Operation Enduring Freedom

Storekeeper (E4)  
Bob Stewart



U.S. NAVY  
1977-1983  
SEABEE Battalion 40  
USS Pensacola LDS 38

Captain  
Randy Stewart



U.S. ARMY  
1969-1978

SP 4  
Irwin Storer



U.S. ARMY  
1967-1969

Lance Corporal  
Patrick Stough



U.S. MARINES  
Vietnam War

Private First Class  
Edward V. Strandberg



U.S. ARMY  
11th Airborne Division  
and 82nd Airborne Division  
Europe 1944-46

Lieutenant Colonel  
John E. Strandberg



U.S. ARMY  
1st Cavalry Division and  
82nd Airborne Division  
Iraq 2004, Afghanistan 2007-08

E4  
Mike Sullivan



U.S. ARMY NATIONAL GUARD  
1990-98  
2-218 Field Artillery

Staff Sgt.  
Robert Sutherland



U.S. ARMY 1942 - 1944  
KIA in France;  
his division was awarded  
Presidential Unit Citation

Jesse Sutton



U.S. ARMY  
1962-1965

Robert V Sumner



U.S. NAVY  
1966-1972,  
Vietnam

Chief Electrician Mate  
Alvin James Swanstrom



U.S. NAVY  
1929-1949  
WWII, Pacific Theater,  
Career Navy

Lieutenant  
PK Swartz, Jr.



U.S. NAVY  
1971-1978  
USS Hamilton China Sea/South

Seaman First Class  
Raymond H. Swift



U.S. NAVY  
1943-1946

Ben Synon



U.S. Marines  
1944-1946  
5th Division

Sergeant  
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U.S. ARMY  
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Served four tours in Iraq



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U.S. AIR FORCE  
1963-1989  
Navigator, Intelligence Officer

E5  
Larry Taylor



U.S. ARMY  
1952-1962  
Korean War, Paratrooper

Medic Private  
Stephanie Taylor



U.S. ARMY  
1999-2003  
Based in Germany

Pvt.  
John B. Thomas



U.S. ARMY 1945  
90th Infantry Div.  
Prisoner of War

Sergeant  
Justin Thomas



U.S. ARMY  
2004-2011  
Military Police  
Operation Iraqi Freedom

SP-5 UICHTAM Germany (Courier)  
Dennis R. Thompson



U.S. ARMY  
1967-1970

2nd Class Aviation Machinist  
Orville Thompson



U.S. NAVY  
1942

E4-Link Trainer Operator  
Thomas C. Thompson (Tom)



U.S. AIR FORCE  
1961-1965

SP4  
William F. Trautz



U.S. ARMY 1965-1967  
Vietnam Service, HHC 2/327  
INF. MTR. PLT, 1st BDE 101st  
(Airborne)

PHMSC  
Carole Tuck



U.S. NAVY  
1941-1945  
WWII

CSKD  
Raymond Tuck



U.S. NAVY  
1941-1945, WWII  
Pearl Harbor survivor

Sergeant  
Bill Turner



U.S. ARMY MILITARY  
POLICE 1965-1968  
Okinawa, Vietnam

Corporal  
David L. Tuttle



U.S. ARMY  
1952-1954  
Korean War, 45th Div., 179th  
Reg. Co. "C", Heartbreak Ridge,  
Christmas Hill

PL  
Edward J. H. Urness



U.S. ARMY  
1953-1955

Sergeant  
Harold Utley



U.S. ARMY  
1950-53 Korean War  
1st Squad Co. A, 45th Division  
Purple Heart

Sergeant  
Adam VandenBos



U.S. ARMY  
2006-2013  
1st Brigade of the 25th Division  
1st Brigade of the 3rd Infantry Division  
Operation Iraqi Freedom - Iraq,  
Operation Enduring Freedom - Afghanistan

Chief Electrician  
Ken Varner



U.S. NAVY  
1942-1945

Benjamin Elbert  
Veatch



U.S. MARINES, 1943-1946  
Sharpshooter,  
Aircraft Mechanic

Seaman  
Ron Vergeer



U.S.Coast Guard  
1971-1975

Tec Sergeant  
Elden Wagenblast



U.S. ARMY  
1942-1946

Bosun Mate  
Robert "Dewey"  
Wagenblast



U.S. COAST GUARD  
1942-1945

John L.  
Walker



U.S. NAVY  
1967-1975  
Seabees, Vietnam

Sergeant  
Charles Edward Wallace  
1953-1955



Korean War

2nd Lieutenant  
Thomas H. Ward



OREGON  
NATIONAL GUARD  
1935-1945

Lance Corporal  
Monte Wasson



U.S. MARINES  
Vietnam  
1966-1968

Thomas R.  
Wasson



U.S. NAVY  
Vietnam Mekong Delta 1967  
Silver Star, 2 Purple Hearts

Lester  
Watrus



U.S. NAVY

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William Watrus



U.S. NAVY  
1943-1946  
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1945-1946  
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U.S. ARMY  
1971-1973

Airman 1st Class  
Mark R. Weston



U.S. AIR FORCE  
1963-1968  
Portland, Tyndall, Panama City  
Jet Mechanic, Civil Engineer

Major  
William Westover



U.S. AIR FORCE  
1941-1945

TM1/SS  
Dan Wheeler



U.S. NAVY  
1971-1979

Anne  
White



U.S. ARMY  
WWII  
Registered Nurse

Arthur  
White



U.S. ARMY  
WWII  
Medic

SSGT (Retired)  
Patrick Wilbern



U.S. ARMY NATIONAL  
GUARD 2004 - 2014  
Operation New Dawn

Cpl  
Scott Wilbern



U.S. ARMY  
2007-2013,  
Bravo Company 3-8-1 ICD  
Op. Iraqi Freedom, Fort Hood

Seaman  
Ross Wilkins



MERCHANT MARINES  
1943

Bob  
Williams



U.S. NAVY

Sgt First Class  
Preston A. Williams



U.S. ARMY  
1946-1966

3rd Class Petty Officer  
William Wilson



U.S. NAVY  
1951-1955, Korean War  
Navy Chaplain Asst.

PFC  
Robert Winder



U.S. ARMY  
1972-1974  
Served in Vietnam

Lcpl.  
Nathanial D. Windsor



U.S. MARINE CORPS  
KIA - 03/11/2007  
2nd Battalion, 7th Marines,  
1st Marine Division,  
1 Marine Expeditionary Force

James Robert  
Woodley



Canadian Overseas  
Expeditionary Forces  
225th Overseas Battalion  
WWI, 1916-1917, age 15

SP-4  
Dan Woodrum



U.S. ARMY  
Germany, Azores

Mel  
Woodrum



1/205 Anti-Tank  
Battalion  
Korea

Cody Yeager



U.S. ARMY  
1984-1994  
Air Force reserve 2000-10

Herman  
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U.S. ARMY  
1971-1972  
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Busan on the southern tip of the Korean peninsula and bussed into central Korea about 50 miles east of Seoul where he was again a line-man for the Signal Corps — a branch of the Army responsible for managing the communication systems. During the “very ferocious” winter of 1950 in central Korea, Rudy and his comrades slept on cots in a tent with one small diesel oil stove. He added that they often times slept in their full uniform to try and stay warm in their sleeping bags.

“We managed, but it was something else. I’m laughing at it now. But it was tough,” Rudy said.

His time overseas went beyond the Korean War as

he made lots of memories in 1952 and 1953. He would go on to serve in Germany where he joined a football team and took a road trip around Europe on a 1947 Harley Davidson motorcycle he bought from the company cook for \$300.

When he arrived in Stuttgart, Germany, he presided over a crew of 12 men. But with no conflicts in their area, Rudy found ways to pass the time. He volunteered to represent the regiments football squad. After an initial “no” from his company commander, he was finally asked to play. Rudy said they practiced full time and traveled around playing other regiments.

“We had some very good

football players. Why I was on there, I have no idea,” said Rudy.

He eventually returned to the U.S. and got a job working with the railroad as a pole lineman. Rudy took advantage of the G.I. Bill which provided certain benefits to service men and women. He attended Oregon State College — Oregon State University today — and graduated with a degree in food chemistry. This led him to work as the food technologist at one of Hood River’s first canneries. He eventually became superintendent of the cannery when he met his wife, Keren. He got involved with their mortuary business and they moved to White Salmon where they reside today.



Rudy with the motor bike he bought from a friend he met in Korea. Eventually he would travel around central Europe. Contributed photo



Clel buttons up his uniform that he wore during his service in Korea. Noah Noteboom photo

Clel returned to Kansas where he had been connected with one of his brothers co-workers and future wife, Stella. She was working at Kansas City General Hospital while Clel got a job with AT&T as a project manager. They got married and relocated to a town outside of San Francisco for work. In 1998, the couple found a new home in White Salmon.

On Oct. 30, Stella, 82, and Clel, 92, celebrated 69 years of marriage with no signs of slowing down. They spend a lot of their time maintaining their one acre property and helping with the American Legion Post 87. Clel especially has a passion for celebrating other veterans.

“At least six times, maybe seven up to eight times a year, we’ll put flags out for patriotic or memorial type holidays. Memorial Day, Fourth of July. Presidents Day, Patriots Day and Veterans Day,” Clel said.

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