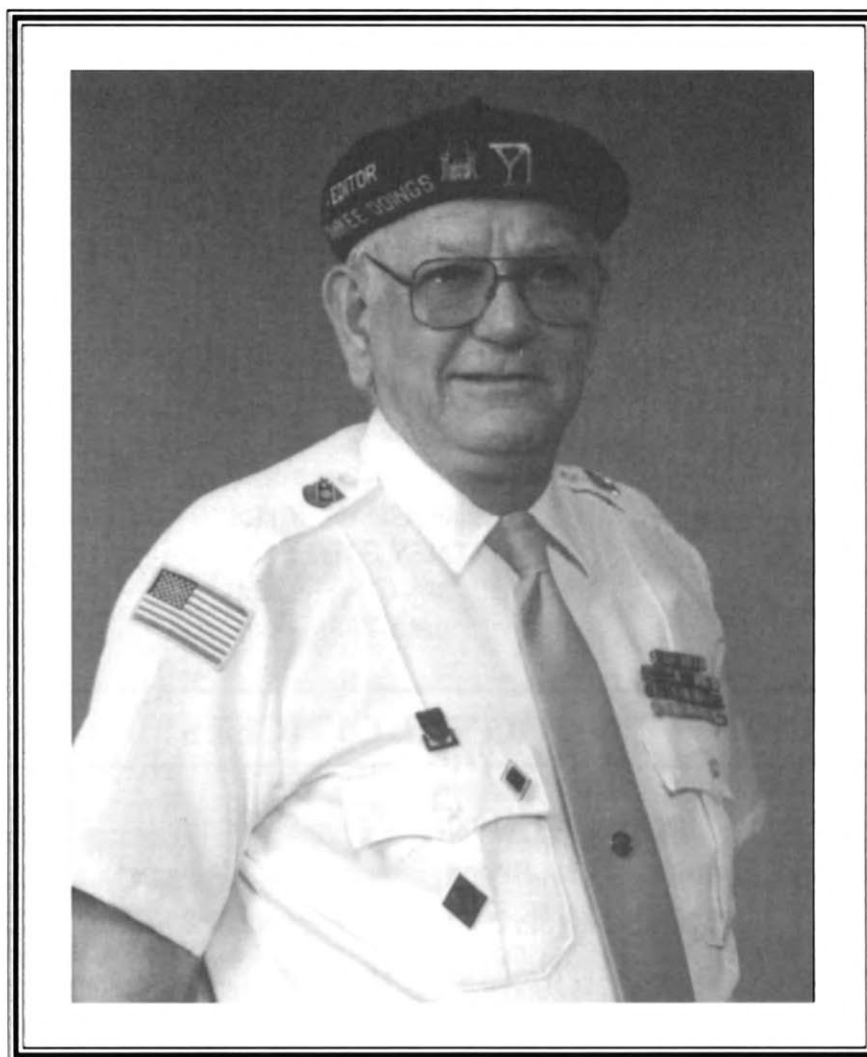


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328TH INFANTRY COMBAT TEAM

Alden Lloyd writes that he regrets that he can not attend the reunion in Allentown because of ill health. Wishes all well and hopes to make the next reunion in 2000.

Tom Stathworth Sr. writes that plans for the reunion sound great. Time and distance will prevent him from attending, but will most certainly be thinking of all the fellows and wishing that circumstances would allow him to be with us.

Hugh F. Fenzel will be unable to attend the Allentown reunion because he is obligated to a conference in Alberta, Canada. This particular conference is normally held in September. He will miss all his buddies.

Jim Brookshire recently lost his wife, **Margie**. They have no children and according to **Tom's** information **Jim's** health is not good.

Tom Herring, 8205 Tifton Rd. Charlotte, NC 28226-4415, is trying to ascertain which Company he served with in the 328th. He thought it was "C" Company but has been told that is not true. He remembers T/Sgt Hall (he became Mess Sgt for the Company) and **Sgt Fegueron** who was his section leader. If anyone has any information that could help **Tom**, please write him at the above address.

Gary Gilbert is the grandson of **T/Sgt Grover Gilbert** who served in Co "A", 328th Infantry, 26th Division. Anyone who knows of **Grover Gilbert**, please write to **Gary Gilbert**, 5274 Clark Ave. Belton, MO 64012.

George Fisher is planning to return to Palm Beach, FL after the Allentown reunion. He made arrangements to have a memorial luncheon on December 16th (55th anniversary of the Battle of the Bulge). The luncheon will be held at the 391st Bomb Group Restaurant and is for all veterans who will be in Florida at the time. He is also planning to start a Chapter of the VBOB in southeast FL. This will not conflict with the 328th luncheon that **Dick Reynolds** arranges every March.

A letter from **Edward Uttian** sends information that things are going well. Got a page from his cousin that was printed by the Union News for Veterans Day. We finally got recognition. He sent in for a "Cold War Recognition Certificate". The details are in the American Legion and the VFW magazines.

"A Labor of Love". Cruising around the VA Medical

Center in Philadelphia on a flag flying scooter named, "The Rascal", is where you'll find WWII veteran **Jimmy Brennan** nearly every day. Offering encouragement before or after surgery or helping fellow veterans negotiate their way around the VA is what **Jimmy** truly loves doing. "It's a good feeling", he says of his daily encounter with veterans. "I feel I am needed there".

A word from Gurnee, IL. **Arthur Friedman**, K Co, recently attended the Midwest YD convention and to his surprise met several men from the 328th who had not heard about our convention and were interested in receiving information about it. He also sent me a roster of all the 328th men that were present. There were 35 men listed and I sent everyone a registration form for our reunion in Allentown. Thanks **Art** for the information. Thirty-two of those listed were not on our roster.

Jewell Tyree's new address is 2410 Wood Gate Lane, Ridgewood Farm, Salem, VA 24153.

Our heartfelt sympathy and condolences go to **Betty Walker** on the loss of her husband **Edward**; **Jean Salata** on the loss of her father, **Michael Salata**; **Dorothy Fast** on the loss of her husband **Sheldon**; **Ruby Gibbs** on the loss of her husband **Harry**; **Vince Siravo** on the loss of his wife **Evelyn**.

Looking for a big turnout for our 49th reunion in Allentown, October 15-17.

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The 13th annual meeting of the 328th Combat Team was held on March 18th. Another good turnout. We were really happy to see the people that are always here, and enthusiastic with the number of new members that attended. Hope to see them all again next year.

After enjoying our meal, **George Fisher** passed out a few words of wisdom to our group. It's never hard to get **George** to speak!

In attendance this year were the following: **Bill Metler**, **Irv Greenbaum**, **Sol Senger**, **Jim & Marge Church**, **R. M. Combs**, **Joe Mustachio**, **Larry Treff**, **John & Angie Galadier**, **Anthony Cuollo**, **George Fisher**, **David Mendelson**, **The Corey Cookingshams**, **Leon Davidow**, **Ernie Harwitte**, **Leroy & Mae Spellman**,

Ray & Kay Bressette, Joe & Peg Desimone, Eddie & Mildred Webber, Art Nagler, Dick & Mildred Reynolds.



55TH ANNIVERSARY B.O.B.

On December 16, 1999, we will be remembering our buddies. This marks the 55th anniversary of the Battle of the Bulge where we suffered 80,000 casualties in a short six-week period. It was the bloodiest battle of the war.

Accordingly, a memorial luncheon has been arranged at the 391st Bomb Group Restaurant in West Palm Beach, Florida. The cost will be nominal \$15.00 per person. Wives, widows, and guests are welcome.

Let's keep the spirit alive. Join us. Send no money, but reservations are a must!

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101ST INFANTRY VETERANS ASSOCIATION

Since this column was last written, it has been a rather busy time of year. I will try to give you all a run-down of what has been going on. I hope that you are enjoying your summer. It has been a dry and hot one here in the northeast.

The annual Memorial Day observance was held at the National Cemetery in Bourne, MA on 23 May. In attendance were **Vi Arnott, Peter and Shirley Bogdan, Ed Loonie, Ed Buote, Jim Doherty, Jean and Arthur Southall, Al Halicki, Mike Bollino, Sam Thompson, John Shamaly, Bob Raney, John Sutcliffe, Ed Sinkiewicz, John Thompson and Carl Schmidt** of Post 36, American Legion of Roslindale, MA.

It was a dark, misty, Infantry type of day but the ceremony was very inspirational and was culminated by a fly-over of jets from the nearby ANG Base.

The following Sunday, 30 May, was the belated 100th birthday tribute to our only remaining member of the 101st from WWI, **George McKenzie**. This was held at a restaurant in Weymouth, MA. Present were: **Peter and Shirley Bogdan, Al and Rose Megna, Vinnie and Tada Saccone, Ed and Carol Loonie, Ed and Marilyn Sinkiewicz, Frank McInnis, Mike Bollino, Jim Mannone, Sam Thompson, Vi Arnott, Jim Doherty** as well as the guest of honor and several members of his family. A great time was had by all and a fine meal was served.

On 17 July, the annual rededication of the John Adams and John Quincy Adams Monument was held. This is a joint effort by the 101st Veterans Association and the Boston Chapter of the Y.D.V.A. It was a very warm morning with temperatures approaching the 90's so the ceremony was rather brief. The George F. Bryant Post, VFW, provided a Color Guard and Rifle Squad as is customary. After the firing of the volleys, Taps was played, followed by the playing of the National Anthem. Councilors **Frank McAuley** and **Paul Harold** of the Quincy, MA City Council gave brief speeches.

The following YD'ers were in attendance: **Ed Hardy, Jim Doherty, Mike Fagerlund, Al Megna, Vin Saccone, Dave Krinsky, Frank McInnis, Ed Buote, Sam Thompson, John Dewire, John Sutcliffe, John Thompson, Jim Mannone, Dave Brown, Al Ridge** and his wife **Barbara, Bob and Beulah Wiltshire** and **Beulah's** brother **Larry Babbitt** and his friend **Mae Snook**.

After the ceremony all adjourned to the Association Headquarters for a delicious collation prepared by **Helen and Harry Tasselari, George Timmons** and **Mike Bollino**. Many thanks for a job well done.

Welcome new members, **Michael McGagh**, 81 Bay Farm Drive, Plymouth, MA 02360 and **Thomas Teehan**, Lakeville, MA. Both served in Co C, 101st. Hope to see you at our functions and meetings.

Does anyone out there have any information on a member of Co I, **Gerard M. Degenstein** from Yonkers, NY? He was an A.S.T.P.er. He was killed in action at the age of 19 in the area of Nancy-Metz, Wuisse, France on 16 Nov 44. His nephew, Gregg Philipson, 7802 Gingko Cove, Austin, TX 78750 (512-346-6039) is seeking any information.

Final Roll Call has been answered by the following and our deepest sympathies and condolences are extended to their survivors. **John Lutz** of Madison, WI who passed away on 14 Apr. John served in Cannon Co.

In addition, **Joseph Ridge**, the brother of **Al Ridge** passed away in September 98. **John McDonough** of Littleton, MA whose wife **Brigida** passed away on 27 June and to **Joe Meli** (Anti-tank) whose wife passed away on 24 Dec in Pascagoula, MS. May they all rest in peace.

The following members are on sick call and would appreciate a call, card or visit: **Hubert M. Carpenter** (M) 1248 Enola Road, Morgantown, NC 28655, **Thomas A. Brooks** (D) 2172 **Bonnie Lane**, Waldorf, MD 20601-3902, **John J. Hayes** (Svc) Mayflower Nursing Home, 123 South St. Plymouth, MA 02360, **William Bennett**, 5 Crabapple Circle, Rockland, MA 02370-2821, **Theodore Wells** (C Co) 142 Champagne Road, Gardner, MA 01440-3379, **Fred Ingerson** (Medic) Mediplex, Lowell Unit, 2100 Washington St. Newton, MA 02162, **Frank Wheeler** (D)