



517th Parachute Regimental Combat Team



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460th Parachute Field Artillery Battalion
596th Parachute Combat Engineer Company*

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patriotic ceremonies of november 7th (in French RELAIS SACRE)

Wanne, Belgium, - sunday november 7th - next ceremony on november 11 (Armistice Day)



Pictures from Irma and Arnold Targnion

Veterans Day 2010

On this Veterans Day we would like to thank all the men of the 517th for the blessings their outstanding courage, selfless sacrifices and valiant efforts have secured for each of us who have the privilege of being citizens of these United States. God bless you and your families. With a most grateful heart, the Seitz kids say thank you again.

Pat Seitz



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Hi, Bob -

It is Thursday and Veteran's Day and I wanted to voice my thanks and appreciation to the guys who have become my favorite vets. You started out as my dad's friends, and many of you have become my friends, too.

Thank you all so much, gentlemen, for your service and for your continued commitment to the service to the 517. Every one of you stepped up when your country needed you, and we enjoy a wonderful safety as a result. Some of you remained in active service (and some of you still serve when called upon), but for the most part, you returned to your lives.

Let us not forget this weekend to thank the veterans in our lives. Veterans, make this a day that you tell the story, either again or tell a little piece for the first time. As my dear friend Ben Barrett said to me, "Time is of the essence."

Hugs to all -

Claire Giblin

I know that November 11 was set aside at the end of the "Great War" to honor those veterans who served in WW I, and since that time the date was adopted to honor all Vets, so it goes without saying...Thank You to all who served this Great Land of ours in all wars, "police actions," and to those presently serving at home or abroad! The efforts and commitments, many to the fullest measure of their being, should NEVER be overlooked, any day of the year. The fact only one day a year is set aside in America to honor all Vets does not mean we can't continue to recognize and thank those who served.

And as I've stated in earlier forums to the 517th site, we cannot forget to recognize and thank those who supported (and continue to support) our Veterans. Whether they worked in a factory producing the clothing, ammunition, rations, armaments, etc. leading up to, during, and after war-time, many civilians need to be remembered. The fact they could not or did not join the ranks of those who fought should not lessen their contributions. The mothers and fathers who said good bye to their sons and daughters, never knowing if they would ever see them alive again, has to tug at our hearts too.

So, thank you 517th Troopers, those who worked at home to support you, and also to your family and friends who waited, patiently, for your return. We are a stronger people because of what you all accomplished and continue to reward us with your memories, attitudes, and unselfish efforts to Tell the 517th Story.

God Bless You!
Sincerely,

Kenton F. Immerfall
Nephew of Floyd A. Stott



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Wishing a Happy and Blessed Veteran's Day to the 517th PRCT and their families. All the best for the best.

Cheers,

Paul Abbene

Subject: Thank You!

Dear 517th Veterans,

This comes with love and eternal gratitude to you all.

Attached is a documentary that will bring back precious memories of celebration.

I know that you were all on a ship headed for America, thinking you were going to the Pacific -- until you heard this great news.

It's still great news -- because what you all accomplished continues to bless Americans and the free world.

We must NEVER forget.

THANK YOU. May God continue to bless and keep you and yours,

Gina Votti
Daughter to the late Carl Votti,
1st Bat, Company B

http://www.youtube.com/watch_popup?v=vcnH_kF1zXc&feature=player_embedded

Guestbook

Submitted by	Comments:
Name: donald Gibson From: Masury Ohio E-mail: sam@keepemtied.com	I served with the 517th company E 1943-45, jumped in France,Dragonha <hr/> Added: November 7, 2010



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MailCall News

Bob,

I don't know if you want to put this on Mail Call or not. It is a great video tribute to our World War II servicemen. I think you will enjoy watching it.

Lory Curtis

Video: [I Fought for You, by the Sound Tank](#)

The highlight mail call of all time was 2020 and Mauldin's cartoons. I went back and looked in the few things I kept from the big war and found a treasure. It's a small book yellow with age and very fragile. It is a book of cartoons and a letter to Bill from Ernie Pyle. It has a copy write date of 1944 by Bill Mauldin

The title is MUD, MULES, AND MOUNTAINS -- Cartoons of the A,E,F,, in Italy by Bill Mauldin

Bob I wish I was a wise on a computer like you but sorry to say I am not. All the cartoons are different than the ones you show in MC 2020. If you're interested please let me know. I am reluctant to send the book as I assume it's very valuable and I sure don't want to lose it. If you could guide me step by step on how to attach perhaps I could copy the book for you if you're interested.

Darrell Egner

[Darrell – Keep it yourself for now. There are reprints of that book available on Amazon. Ben also has a couple of Bill Mauldin books that he left at home. I'll pick them up next time I see Joanne. – Bob B.]

From Debra Coates via Darrell Egner:

A Soldier's Funeral (Texas Style) – Story and pictures of the funeral for U.S. Army Spc. James M. Kiehl of Comfort, TX, KIA in Iraq on March 23, 2003 [Click here](#)

My name is Mel Dahlberg and when I changed servers I thought I had given you my new address. Apparently, you never did receive it. So please hook me up again. The new e-mail address MJWDAHL@Q.COM or mjwdahl@q.com

I really miss hearing from all of the 517 troopers. Looking forward to future e-mails.

Kindest regards, airborne always,

Mel



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Bob,
I just received this and thought maybe it would be of interest to our veterans.

Lory Curtis

Subject: 1940s slide show -- Turn on speakers, scenes will change automatically

<http://oldfortyfives.com/decadeofthe1940s.html>

We are missing you lately. My brother and I dearly wish to attend the last reunion. We are having problems. Desperately want to attend the big reunion.

Peter Jansson

Dear Bob

Thanks again for all your graciousness, you are a real gentleman and I was moved by your apology...here is something fun if you have any time to take a look, I especially liked Jonny Otis and the Hand Jive dancers and the immortal Miss Patti page....

All the best,
Lea Bradovich

[Oldies Television - The 100 Greatest TV Shows From the 1950's & 60's](#)

Kissimmee Mini-Reunion

Bob,

Several people have been asking about the Kissimmee Reunion, about the banquet and choices, who to call to sign up. The time is fast approaching and we need more info.

Thanks
Babbie Boyle

Recently Rejected MailCalls:

Mail delivery failed: returning message to sender:

- Ann Sierra - mailbox temporarily disabled
- John Pastalenic - Recipient address rejected: User mailbox is full. Please try again later.



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Casualty Reports

To Mike Wells, can I access the morning reports for Company H on line yet?

Dennis Sura son of Buzzard: Mike Sura, H Company, 3rd Platoon.

Mike and Rhonda Wells spent a lot of time copying the H Company morning reports into a spreadsheet. I have not yet figured out how to make this into an easy to search format for the web site. I will eventually. But for anyone who knows how to use Excel, here is the Excel file of the H Company Casualty reports. I have set this up with an "auto-filter", which can be used to find anything within a column. Upon opening, the spreadsheet shows all records from June 1, 1944 to Dec 10, 1944, in order by date. If you click on the filter button of any column, you can filter or search for entries. Try selecting "Sura" in the last name column, and you will find one record from 29 Sept 1944. – BB

[H Company Casualty Reports](#)

George W. Cavnar



It is with great sadness that I report the death earlier this week of my uncle **George W Cavnar. He was a member of Regimental H.Q. Co, 517th P I R.** He was a member of Boom Boom Alicki's Demolition Team. He served with the 517th from Toccoa to the Berlin occupation. Flowers and acknowledgements may be sent to

Hummel Funeral Home
3475 Copley Rd.
Copley Oh 44321.

The funeral will be held at 11:30 am Tuesday, 11-16-2010 at

Guardian Angels Church
1676 S. Cleveland - Massilon Rd.
Copley OH 44321. I will send an obituary notice when it becomes available.

Sincerely Jerry Wofford, "NEPHEW OF A BUZZARD"

This is the obituary for George W. Cavnar, Reg H.Q. 517th P I R.
He served in the 517th PIR from Toccoa GA on thru to the occupation of Berlin.

<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/ohio/obituary.aspx?n=george-william-cavnar&pid=146591088&fhid=2978>



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Administrivia

- If you miss any MailCalls, they are all available online at <http://www.517prct.org/mailcall/>
- At any time, if you want to be added or removed from the MailCall list, just let me know.
- Send any news, stories, or feedback to: MailCall@517prct.org
- If you send me email that you do not want included in MailCall, just label it as FYEO.
- I now understand how Ben could get confused about what he already posted and what he didn't. If I miss something, please just send it again.
- Donations for any programs involving the 517th should be sent to our treasurer:

Leo Dean
14 Stonehenge Lane
Albany, NY 12203

Save the date!

Annual 517th Reunion (probably the last one)

**July 13-18, 2011
Atlanta, GA**

with visits to Camp Toccoa and Fort Benning



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