



517th Parachute Regimental Combat Team



PARACHUTE REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM

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*517th Parachute Infantry Regiment
460th Parachute Field Artillery Battalion
596th Parachute Combat Engineer Company*

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Mail Call Archives www.517prct.org/archives
Roster (from 2008) www.517prct.org/roster.pdf

Can Roland Do This?

Willy's Jeep

This is one of the coolest things I've ever seen! Six soldiers pull up on a main street in Halifax, Nova Scotia during some holiday parade. They're in a standard issue WWII type Willys Jeep. In the span of about 5 to 6 minutes they completely disassemble the vehicle and reassemble it and drive off in it fully operable! The idea being to show the genius that went into the making of the jeep and its basic simplicity. Fantastic. Click below.

[Willy's Jeep](#)

Phil McSpadden





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Florida Min-Reunion

We leave Tuesday for Atlanta until the 10th and then leave for Palm Springs on the 11th. We will be home on the 20th.

Merle

MailCall News

When will you put the registration forms back on mailcall? I think it is time to start advertising the last National reunion

Lory Curtis

[Registration form attached. -- BB]

(Possibly the Last) **Annual 517th Reunion**
July 13-18, 2011
Atlanta, GA with visits to Camp Toccoa and Fort Benning
[Program](#)
[Registration Form](#)
[Hotel Info](#)

Bob

Well, I've just lined up with the son of Sgt. George Ross, Jesse, to attend the reunion in Atlanta. We sure hope to see a lot of "F" co. troopers there. I know Ray Hess is coming and Walt Perkowski should be too and of course Gene Frice and family. It will be a lot of fun on all the trips that are planned, so am really looking forward to the reunion.

Mel Dahlberg

Bob

Not many of us left that remember this happy day. If you think it's of interest you may wish to share this in Mail Call.

Darrell Egner

Please share this with those you know that remembers that date with destiny!

[Click here: VJ Day, Honolulu Hawaii, August 14, 1945 on Video](#)



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Guestbook

Submitted by	Comments:
Name: Karin Laeben From: Wappingers Falls, New York E-mail: karin.bridget@verizon.net	My father, Reynold B. Laeben was in the 517th, H company. I am happy to say I found pictures of him on this site. At the link, " Odas Sweet and Friends, H company Part 2", my father is in the fourth row of photos, left side, in front of the domed building, and he is also in the picture to the left of the horse statue. Thank you Rick Sweet for posting these! <hr/> Added: April 3, 2011

Very Nice should be on TV for all to see.

This is just south of us on Hwy 75 south. A farmer does it with his tractor and not sure if he uses a plow or a disc. He uses GPS to get the letters readable. He has done this every fall for several years now. Here's the view from the flight pattern into OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE (Bellevue, NE., just south of Omaha). This is what our servicemen see when landing at Offutt AFB. It is a little hard to make out in this picture but reads – THANK YOU FOR FREEDOM





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Recent website additions:

[Charles William Young, C Company](#)
[2nd Battalion - Communications, Mortar and Machine Gunnery](#)
[Pvt. Lloyd R. Johansen](#)
[T/Sgt. Milton J. Hanson at Fort Bragg](#)
[James W. Benson, 596th PCEC](#)

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:

Brenda Verbeck Mortensen
13046 Race Track Road #220
Tampa, FL 33626

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July 13-18, 2011, Atlanta, GA
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517th PARACHUTE REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM ASSOCIATION REUNION ACTIVITY REGISTRATION FORM

Listed below are all registration, tour, and meal costs for the reunion. Please enter how many people will be participating in each event and total the amount. Send that amount payable to ARMED FORCES REUNIONS, INC. in the form of check or money order. Your cancelled check will serve as your confirmation. Returned checks will be charged a \$20 fee. You may also register online and pay by credit card at www.afr-reg.com/517. All registration forms and payments must be received by mail on or before June 13, 2011. After that date, reservations will be accepted on a space available basis. All new registrations accepted at the reunion will be charged a \$10 onsite processing fee. We suggest you make a copy of this form before mailing. Please do not staple or tape your payment to this form.

Armed Forces Reunions, Inc.
322 Madison Mews
Norfolk, VA 23510
ATTN: 517th Parachute

OFFICE USE ONLY	
Check # _____	Date Received _____
Inputted _____	Nametag Completed _____

CUT-OFF DATE IS 6/13/11

	Price Per	# of People	Total
<u>TOURS</u>			
FRIDAY: FORT BENNING	\$61		\$
SATURDAY: CAMP TOCCOA	\$56		\$
SUNDAY: CITY TOUR	\$37		\$
<u>MEALS</u>			
SUNDAY: MEMBERS' BREAKFAST	\$22		\$
SUNDAY: AUXILIARY BREAKFAST	\$22		\$
SUNDAY: BANQUET <i>(Please select your entrée; pecan pie for dessert)</i>			
Marinated Top Sirloin	\$39		\$
Herb Roasted Chicken	\$39		\$
Grilled Cape Blue Fish w/ lemon butter sauce	\$39		
Kid's Plate (Chicken Fingers for ages 3-12).	\$20		\$
<u>MANDATORY PER PERSON REGISTRATION FEE</u>			
Includes Hospitality Room and administrative expenses. Children under age 18 do not have to pay a registration fee.	\$25		\$
Total Amount Payable to Armed Forces Reunions, Inc.			\$

PLEASE PRINT NAME AS YOU WOULD LIKE IT TO APPEAR ON YOUR NAMETAG

FIRST _____ LAST _____ VET. AUXILIARY MEMBER

517th COMPANY _____ OR BATTERY _____ OR OTHER UNIT _____

SPOUSE NAME (IF ATTENDING) _____

GUEST NAMES _____

ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, ST, ZIP) _____

EMAIL _____ PH. NUMBER (_____) _____ - _____

DISABILITY/DIETARY RESTRICTIONS _____
(Sleeping room requirements must be conveyed by attendee directly with hotel)

MUST YOU BE LIFTED HYDRAULICALLY ONTO THE BUS WHILE SEATED IN YOUR WHEELCHAIR IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN BUS TRIPS? YES NO (PLEASE NOTE THAT WE CANNOT GUARANTEE AVAILABILITY).

EMERGENCY CONTACT _____ PH. NUMBER (_____) _____ - _____

ARRIVAL DATE _____ DEPARTURE DATE _____

For refunds and cancellations please refer to our policies outlined at the bottom of the reunion program. **CANCELLATIONS WILL ONLY BE TAKEN MONDAY-FRIDAY 9:00am-5:00pm EASTERN TIME (excluding holidays)**. Call (757) 625-6401 to cancel reunion activities and obtain a cancellation code. Refunds processed 4-6 weeks after reunion.