

Post Oflag 64 Item

Summer 1998

REPORT ON ANDERSONVILLE MUSEUM DEDICATION

Oflag 64 was well represented by 18 people. The icing on the cake there was the presence of **JOHN SLACK**. I think if we had known John was going, we would all have been very concerned. He made it just fine.

Our people there were:

JOHN SLACK
BILL/DUNA HARRELL
SAM HODGES
DICK/HELEN REID KALLAHAN
JAMES MCKAY/WIFE
BOOMER/CLEMENTI HOLDER
JANE GRAFFAGNINO
JOHN/SHIRLEY VALENTINE
BILL WARTHEN
JOHN/MARY CULLER

BILL WARTHEN sent a copy of Sen. McLain's speech. It will be at the reunion in Sept. A videotape of some of the activities of the day and several newspaper clippings will also be at the reunion.

BOOMER HOLDER said the Oflag 64 plaque on the wall was very impressive and we could be very proud of it.

HERB GARRIS was the push behind this plague and deserves a good firm handshake.

SPECIAL PERSONS AT LAS VEGAS

Contact has been made with some very special people and they will attend our reunion at Las Vegas in September.

ABE BAUM, (CAPT.)CO of the 10th Armored Inf. Bn. that executed the raid on the Hammelburg Camp on March 27, 1945, has been invited and will be there.

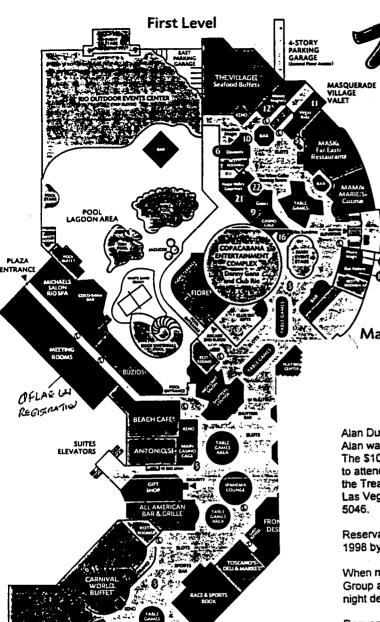
RICHARD BARON, author of the book Raid, has been invited and will be there.

RICHARD WHITAKER, author of the article Task Force Baum and the Hammelburg Raid. This article appeared in the Sept.- Oct. 1996 issue of ARMOR magazine. Richard Whitaker made a trip to Germany and retraced the path of the 10th Armored Inf. Bn. on the 50th anniversary of the raid. He has also been invited and will be there.

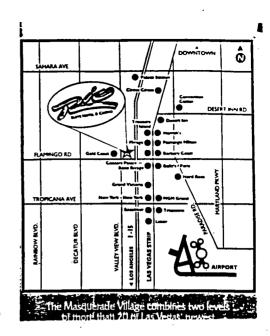
General Waters' son, PAT WATERS, has been invited and will attend.

A graduating West Point cadet who wrote his 4th year term paper on "The Hammelburg Raid" may also attend.

We hope these gentlemen can attend. All of us "Hammelburgers", as Clarence Meltesen calls us, have a very special link with these gentlemen and each of us would consider it an honor to meet with them.



RACE & SPORTS BOOK ENTRANCE



REUNION INFORMATION

Alan Dunbar furnished the following information on the Reunion at Las Vegas this fall.

Alan was required by the hotel to furnish a deposit of \$1000 to reserve the hotel facilities. The \$1000 was supplied by the Oflag 64 Treasurer and Alan asks everyone who plans to attend to please send in their registration early (\$90/person) so that he can reimburse the Treasury. Please send your advances to Alan Dunbar, 4675 Green Canyon Drive. Las Vegas, NV 89103-43° If you have any questions, please call him at 702-871-5046.

Reservations for the Rio Lel Suite and Casino should be made prior to August 15. 1998 by calling the Reservations Department at 1-888-746-7482.

When making reservations, you must advise the hotel that you are with the Oflag 64 Group and Reunion in order to receive the group rate of \$75.00 for the mini-suite. A first night deposit must be sent prior to arrival. It is advised to get a confirmation number.

Requests received after August 15, 1998 will be taken on a space available basis. The hotel accepts Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Diners Club and Carte Blanche.

The Rio Hotel Suite and Casino address is I-15 and Flamingo, P. O. Box 14160, Las Vegas, NV 89114.

The mini-bus has the best rate from the airport to the hotel.

REUNION SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Monday, Sept 14

Early Arrivals

Tuesday, Sept. 15

Arrival Date

resday, Sept. 15

Open Time (Subject to Change)

Wednesday, Sept. 16

11AM – 2PM, Luncheon, Brasilia Room Buses to and from the Stratosphere Tower

Admission to the Tower Dinner on your own

Thursday, Sept. 17

9AM, Business Meeting & Continental Breakfast

Flamengo Room (Wives invited) 6:30PM, Open Bar, Dinner, Dancing, Door Prizes

Brasilia Room

Friday, Sept. 18

9AM to 12 Noon, Breakfast Brunch Memorial Service, Brasilia Room

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Hervey Robinson, Green Coves Springs, FI, apologized for having missed the last two reunions and sent along a nice boost to the Postage Fund. (**Irv Yarock** – I don't remember which reunion he came to, but it was his first. You'll remember that we left him in the tunnel. He lived near Camp Croft and I stopped in not knowing whether he made it or not. I stopped in a restaurant and found a waitress, who knew him and who said he got back, so I stopped in to see his mother. By coincidence, we shared the same shuttle from the airport to the reunion.)

Bill Guest's sister notified us that he died Christmas day in 1997. He shared the cubicle with **Red Bancker** and **Hank Perry** in 3A.

Vin Thompson, Jackson, MS, sent along a contribution. Have you looked up **Joe and** Ruth Ainsworth of Jackson?

Received a check from Van Munsan, Olean, NY - Thanks!

We'll be celebrating **Fred Livingston's** birthday in Las Vegas. He'll be coming in from Hawaii, where he is the regional director of the Y's Men's Club, an international group providing management and funding for the Y. Thanks for the P.F. check.

Received a b-l-g check from **Bill Cory**, Louisville, KY. Claims he got so used to cold showers taken when he was climbing out of the tunnel, that he still takes them.

Don Gaul, Columbia, SC, sent along his check for the P.F. He seems to think he's the only one in his 80's. Join the club, it's getting bigger all the time. Hope your wife is coming along O.K.

Sam Hodges, Roswell, GA, was up on the "hill", as a late comer. He sent along a check for the P. F. and says he made our little jaunt along with **COL Goode**. He's interested in a trip to Poland. Any takers?

Nice to hear again from **Lew and Janet Lowe**, Phoenix, AZ. Thanks for the P.F. check. If Sam goes to Poland, maybe you can go along as his photographer. Maybe this time Customs won't grab your film.

Red Bancker, Atlanta, GA, sent a nice check along and hopes to make it to Las Vegas. It will be nice to see Red & Peg. They haven't been to the last few.

Al Fratke, another latecomer to Oflag 64 from Sun City, AZ. Welcome aboard. See you in

Las Vegas and thanks for the P.F. check.

Who knew **Tony Lumpkin**? His granddaughter would like to correspond with anyone who knew him. Mrs. Susan Pickrel, 912 Whirlaway Drive, Copperas Cove, TX 76522. (Irv Yarock — I'll write to her, but perhaps someone from his outfit could write. As I recall, Tony worked in the parcel hatch along with **Amon Carter**, and Tony was with us on the first trip back to Poland. I believe he was a teacher and either taught at or ran a military school.

George Britto, Columbus, GA, sent a check for the P.F., along with best wishes and hopes to make our next Appell in Las Vegas.

Padraig O'Dea, Bloomfield, NJ, was another latecomer, barracks 9. He stayed in the service and went back to Germany twice. He lost his wife after 54 years and had his struggles with the big "C". Trying to make it to Las Vegas, and thanks for the P.F. check.

Henry Desmond, Columbus, OH, sent along a check for the P.F. and also kudos to Bob Thompson for taking on a rough job.

Gordon Smith, Baton Rouge, LA, sent along a check for the P.F. and reminisced about a trip he took from France to Oflag 64 with **Herb Garris**.

Wilbur Sharpe, Bethesda, MD, hasn't been around for a long time. He says he appreciates the ITEM, but that he'd appreciate it more if he came to more reunions. How about Las Vegas? Maybe a replay of some of your acting parts. Says he's planning to go to the Opening Day Ceremonies at the POW Museum at Andersonville, GA. Thanks for the P.F. check.

Mary Cupit, Mystic, CT, sent along a check for the P. F., but also the sad news that Jim Cupit is no longer with us.

Joe Seringer wrote from Florida, but was packing to head home to Wooster, OH. He had already seen a copy of **Chris Heisler's** compendium of strange happenings at Oflag 64. Great job by the Heisler Duo.

Çard from **Alan Dunbar**, gearing up for the Las Vegas trip. He's looking for early registrations. Have you sent yours in yet?

Clarence Meltesen, San Francisco, CA, is collecting new material for the third edition of Roads to Liberation From Oflag 64. He may get some ideas from Heisler's work. In addition, if you find anything in the book that needs clarification, corrections, new material, etc., contact Clarence directly. Clarence Meltesen, 810 Gonzales Sr., Apt. 4D, San Francisco, CA 94132. He is especially looking for information on John Sherrill, Joe Shimatsu, John Secor and Lt. Col. Barron.

H. Gaither Perry, Novelty, OH, got a big play in the Chagrin, OH newspaper for his military activities which include, among other things, black power firing demonstrations and a home designed cannon he uses to open and close military functions. Thanks for the P.F. donation. "Hank", as we all know him, hailed from Florida, but moved to Ohio about 45 years ago. He keeps in touch with his cubicle mate, Red Bancker. He also sent a newspaper clipping from Raleigh, NC, about a James Creech. For those of you who may have seen it, no, it's not our John Creech. Our Creech was a Rhode Islander, who went to R.I. State, now URI. In fact, John played alto horn in the ROTC band when I (IY) was in command of the ROTC band.

A mystery solved? Over the years, whenever Gottfried Dietz was mentioned, many of us assumed that some politically connect POW like Amon Carter or John Jones brought him to the States in return for services rendered, but a long letter from Gottfried to John Slack included, and I paraphrase, "Destitute as a refuge after the war, my first ray of hope was a letter from Tony Lumpkin in 1946. It helped me get into the Law School of the University of Heidelburg, and, later on, into Princeton and Harvard." He attended Tony's funeral and on a wall was the poster warning that escaped prisoners would be shot. He also says that "phony" trials like the one in which Schaefer and Shmitz were sentenced to the death penalty (never carried out), were ordered from Berlin. Wonder if he was the "mole" mentioned in General Water's monograph?

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Received a note from the widow of Bob Christensen. Jean is still in Loveland, CO, but is now at 2101 S. Garfield Ave., #231, Zip is 80537.

Kermit Hansen, Elkhorn, NE, sent a nice note of thanks to Bob Thompson for keeping The ITEM going. Also sent a check for the P.F.

George Oughton, Richmond, IN, has transplanted from Pennsylvania. New address is: 214 S. 18th St., Richmond, VA 47374.

Orm Hessler, Charlotte, NC, has passed away. His widow sent a P. F. check.

Flo Siercks, Hemet, CA, sent a nice note and a contribution to the P.F. fund. Herb died about 15 years ago.

Ed Hirt, Colorado Springs, CO, sent a contribution to the P.F, but no note. Might have wanted to remind us that he's still around.

Don Lussenden, Livonia, MI, sent an extra-generous contribution to the P.F. fund, along with profuse thanks to Bob Thompson for agreeing to be the ITEM editor. Don & Lucy agree that it is the ITEM that keeps us in touch and in fellowship.

Always, at our age, a touch of sadness. **Don Lussenden** sent along a copy of the obituary of **Victor Kanners**, Birmingham, MI. Vic was a 2nd Lieutenant in the 104th Infantry Division, commanded by MG Terry Allen, who previously had commanded the 1st Division. We also had a Kanners in the first division, but don't know of any connection. **Vic & Marcia** attended the reunion in Newport. He was only at Oflag 64 for three weeks before he embarked on our little hike and stuck with us all the way to Moosburg. If you'd like to drop Marcia a card, she's at 32035 Waltham Rd., Birmingham, MI 48025.

Received a note from **Katy Jones** saying that Bill Jones of 11316 Hardin Valley Rd., Knoxville, TN 37932, passed away in 1994.

Lee Clingan, Covington, IN, writes that he hasn't been feeling well, but will try to make it to Las Vegas. Also sent along a contribution for the P.F.

A nice note from **Harry Albertson** with a check for the Postage Fund. Thanks, Harry. Your comments about the wild ride on the half-track that **Abe Baum** brought in brought back a lot of memories. **Abe Baum** will be at the reunion in September. Maybe you can be there and visit with him.

Nice note from **Boomer** about the Andersonville Musuem opening. He and **Clementi** must really have enjoyed themselves at the opening. Will look forward to the reunion and you can tell us in person about your experiences.

Gladys Aschim sends word about the loss of her best friend of 52 years. Your loss is also our loss and we will miss **Bob**. God Bless.

A couple of letters from **Bill Warthen** about Andersonville. It sound like an interesting day was had by all that attended . Thanks for sharing them with us.

INFORMATION REQUESTED

Susan Pickrel, granddaughter of Capt. Tony Lumpkin, is requesting information about her grandfather, who was with us at Oflag 64. He is well known to a lot of us and Susan would appreciate hearing from some who were his close friends. You can contact Susan at:

Lt. and Mrs. David Pickrel 912 Whirlaway Drive Copperas Cove, TX 76522 The following is a list of the people that have paid their registeration fees and will be at the reunion in Sept at Las Vegas.

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Notice to all Hammelburgers.

Richard Whitaker from Los Gatos, Ca. is planning an album or book about the Hammelburg Raid of Abe Baum and has asked each of us that were at Hammelburg at the time to send him a photo of yourself. The photo should be one taken near your WW11 duty. Richard is the gentlemen that wrote the article about his trip back to Germany and retraced the 60 mile trip of the 10th Armored Inf. Bn of Capt. Baum. The article was included in an Item last year. Richard plans to be at Las Vegas in Sept. and will bring some memorabelia that he has. Dig through some of your old papers and see what you can find. You can either send it to me or bring it to the reunion. Be sure and identify the photo on the back side.

Bob Thompson Tulsa

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SUPT. FRED BOYLES ANDERSONVILLE NATIONAL SITE ANDERSONVILLE, GA.

MONDAY, APRIL13, 1998

DEAR FRED:

HAVE YOU COME DOWN YET? EVERYTHING WENT OFF SO WELL, AND EVERYONE I TALKED TO IN LEAVING WERE AS HAPPY ABOUT THE EXPERIENCE AS I.

SUNDAY NIGHT I CALLED BILL FARNES TO EXPRESS MY CONGRATULATIONS, AND HE TOLD ME ABOUT YOUR PROBLEMS WITH THE PROGRAMS BEING IN MACON, AND THEY NOT KNOWING WHERE ANDERSONVILLE WAS. MAYBE THEY WILL KNOW NOW.

I HAVE HAD SEVERAL FRIENDS WHO SAW T.V. COVERAGE ON N.B.C., LOTS ON CNN, AND EVIDENTLY C SPAN WAS ALSO THERE.

THANKS FROM OUR OFLAG 64 GROUP FOR YOUR PATIENCE. WE WERE DELIGHTED WITH THE APPEARANCE AND LOCATION OF OUR PLAQUE, AND WE HAD 12 KREGIES AND WIVES PRESENT, TWO WHO HAD NEVER BEEN INVOLVED WITH OUR REUNIONS.

ONE, JOHN SLACK, FROM EAST PENNSYLVANIA, WHO HAS HAD SERIOUS STROKES AND AN ALMOST FATAL AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT LAST DECEMBER, SLIPPED OFF FROM HIS DAUGHTER, CAUGHT A PLANE TO ATLANTA, RENTED A CAR, AND THEN GOT LOST AND ALMOST MISSED THE PROGRAM BEFORE ARRIVING. IT IS HE WHO HAS HELD OUR GROUP TOGETHER FOR 50 YEARS BY PHONE AND CORRESPONDANCE, AND WAS CAPTURED IN AFRICA. I SURE HOPE HE MADE IT BACK, BUT HE HAD NO BUSINESS COMING ALONE.

THANKS FOR A WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE.

YOURS VERY TRULY,

BILL WARTHEN, OFLAG 64 KREGIE

THE ANDERSONVILLE POW MUSEUM DEDICATION WAS A TREMENDOUS SUCCESS PEOPLE WERE FILLING THE MOTELS AND WONDERING AROUND ANDERSONVILE TUESDAY AFTERNOON WHEN I ARRIVED, AND ON A VERY WET (5 INCHES) WEDNESDAY, NO MATTER, PEOPLE WRAPPED UP MADE IT TO THIS HUGE TENT JUST IN FRONT OF THE MUSEUM AND ENJOYED THEMSELVES THERE WAS MUSUC, ONLY BRIEF SPEAKING, PUNCH AND DELICIOUS NIBBLING FOOD SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE VERY LONG (80 yd) TENT

I JOINED TWO CITADEL FRIENDS AND WIVES FOR TUESDAY DINNER, ONE OF WHOM WAS CAPTURED THE SAME NIGHT AS I, AND WE WERE TOGETNER UNTIL HE WENT TO LUKENWALD WHILE ON THE MARCH

I MET BOOMER AND CLEMENTI FOR DINNER AND FUN, THEN THURSDAY MORNING, A BEAUTIFUL DAY, I SEARCHED THE CROWD LOOKING FOR OTHER OFLAG MEMBERS, AND FOUND BILL HARRELL AND WIFE, WITH SEVERAL RELATIVES, DICK KELLAHAN AND WIFE, RHINEHART, EROMMONTGOMERY, ALA, AND HIS WIFE, AND THEY HAD PICKED UP JANE FROM FOUND, FROM HAMILTON, GA --BEFDORE THE PROGRAM GOT STARTED AT 10:30 I WENT BACK TO OUR COVERED PLAQUE AND FOUND IT HAD BEEN UNCOVERED AS THE OTHER HAD, SO TOLD BOOMER PERHAPS THEY HAD DISPENSED WITH OUR SMALL PART OF THE PROGRAM FINALLY I FOUND FRED BROYLE, AND FOUND WE WERE ON AS SCHEUDLED, THEN COULD NOT FIND THE HOLDERS IN ALL THE CROWD (ABOUT 3,500)

AFTER THE VERY FINE PROGRAM ENDING WITH A VERY LOW FLY OVER, I WENT TO THE PLAQUE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS AND BY GOLLY WE HAD A GOOD CROWD TO SHOW UP EVERYONE BUT THE HOLDERS LOW AND BEHOLD JOHN SLACK WAS AMONG THEM HE HAD FLOWN TO ATLANTA, RENTED A CAR, THEN GOT LOST TRYING TO FIND ANDERSONVILLE, SO ARRIVED AFTER THE PROGRAM HAD STARTED EVERYONE WAS SO GLAD TO SEE HIM, AND THOUGH HE DECLINED TO TALK WE LET HIM REMOVE THE COVER OVER OUR PLAQUE, IT HAD BLEEN REPLACED WE WERE VIDIOED BY THE SITE PHOTOGROPHER AND EVRYONE, INCLUDING THE WIVES HAD A VERY GOOD TIME THE PLAQUE IS BEAUTIFUL, AND BY COMBINING THE SKETCH OF THE CAMP AS SEEN FROM THE AIR WITH INFORMATION BELOW, ITMAKES A VERY IMPRESSIVE STATEMENT

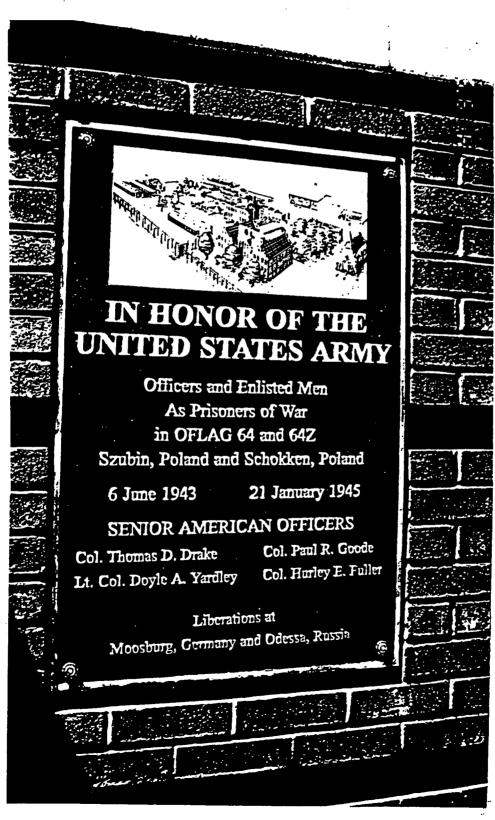
THE HUGE CROWD HAD THE CHANCE TO VISIT THE MUSEUM ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, AND IT WAS OPEN FOR ALL ON THURSDAY, AND IT IS IMPRESSIVE ONE OF THE THINGS WE DID NOT GET TO SEE WAS THE TAPE WITH BRIEF INTERVIEWS OF VARIOUS Ex POWS THERE ARE 80 SUBJECTS AND I AM SURE SOME OF THEM WILL BE OF THOSE WHO WERE INTERVIEWD IN 1995 IN ATLANTA I AM ORDERING ONE OF THE TAPES

BROYLES (WHO WAS THE CALMEST INDIVIDUAL AMONG THE 3,500) TOLD ME THE FUNDING WAS GETTING NO WHERE UNTIL TWO YEARS AGO WHEN ANDERSONVILLE WAS TELEVISED, THEN THE MONEY POURED IN ,THERE WAS SOME FEDERAL AND STATE MONEY ,BUT MUCH OF IT WAS CONTRIBUTED LARGELY BY Exzpow's I DID NOT REALIZE THE SIZE OR ENTHUSIASH OF THIS GROUP BUT THEY WERE THERE IN MASS FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY, MOST IN UNIFORMS, AND MANY HAD ENTIRE GROUPS WHO CAME IN LEASED BUSES

WITH THIS AND THE MATERIAL I AM INCLUDING, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO GET SOME IDEA OF THE AFFAIR

BILL WARTHEN,
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Bill Warthen sent in the photograph below of the Oflag 64 Plaque that was mounted on the wall at the Andersonville Museum in Andersonville, Ga. The photograph was about 5" x 7" in color. The photograph can be enlarged to an 8" x 10" color reproduction for a reasonable cost.



This is Bill Warthen at the speakers platform at the Dedication Ceremonies for the Andersonville POW Museum at Andersonville, Ga. on April 9, 1998. Fred Broyles, the Park Supt. Is in the background



50th Anniversary "OFLAG 64" books are available

Bret Job, Ray Holmquist's, son-in-law, states that there are Copies of the 5oth Anniversary book available from the YWCA Archives in Minneapolis.

The books were originally introduced at the 50th Reunion in Louisville, Ky .at a price of \$50.00.

The remaining copies can be had by making a donation to the YMCA Archives. There is no specific amount for the donation.

If you are interested in obtaining a copy, contact:

Bret Job 4240 Trail Ridge Lane Minnentonka, MN 55345

All checks should be made payable to: YWCA Archives

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FOR AS LONG AS I CAN REMEMBER MOTHER WAS SURROUNDED BY MUSIC. ALWAYS SHE SANG IN CHURCH CHOIR, PLAYED PIANO BY EAR AND TOGETHER, WE LOVED TO HARMONIZE ANYTIME, ANYWHERE. SO IT IS NOT SURPRISING THAT A SONG TITLE COMES TO MIND WHEN EXPRESSING MY DEEPEST FEELINGS FOR HER. "UNFORGETTABLE, THATS WHAT YOU ARE." BY NAT KING COLE.

MY FONDEST CHILDHOOD MEMORIES ARE OF SEVERAL RITUALS. IN THE MORNING, UPON MY AWAKENING, MOTHER, WITH HER FINGER, TRACED ON MY BACK THE TIME AND TEMPERATURE FOR ME TO GUESS. SHE THEN PROCEEDED WITH MY ALL TIME FAVORITE, ARM TICKLING. IF I HAD BEEN VERY, VERY GOOD, I WOULD DELIGHT IN MY REWARD OF BOTH ARMS BEING TICKLED. AT NIGHTTIME, CONCERNS OF MY DAY WERE CALMED BY HER LISTENING EAR, PRAYERS SAID, AND KISSES GIVEN. WHILE TUCKING ME IN, HER FINAL WORD TO ME USING HER PET NAME FOR ME WAS, "GOD BLESS YOU, JANIE." WHAT A WONDERFUL WAY TO BEGIN AND END MY DAY!

ALWAYS, OUR HOME WAS WARM AND WELCOMING TO ALL AND FULL OF HOME COOKED FOODS FROM ALL LANDS. ALL SUITED ME JUST FINE EXCEPT FOR ONE-PEAS-WHICH WHEN EATEN I WAS ASSURED WOULD "BUILD CHARACTER!" I ALWAYS WISHED THAT HER FAVORITE TREAT-A HOT FUDGE SUNDAE FROM HOWARD JOHNSONS WOULD HAVE DONE THE SAME.

AS I GREW OLDER I CAME TO KNOW MOTHER, THE WOMAN. HER FEMININE SIDE WAS MORE THAN EVIDENT WHEN ROUTINELY AT 6:15 P.M. SHE WENT TO THE LITTLE MIRROR BY THE KITCHEN DOOR WHERE BELOW THE MIRROR HUNG A WOODEN HOLDER CONTAINING MAKEUP. THERE SHE REFRESHED HERSELF IN ANTICIPATION OF DAD'S ARRIVAL HOME, JUST AS ROUTINELY, AT 6:30 P.M. NO DOUBT, SHE DID THE SAME THING IN 1945, WHEN SHE WELCOMED HIM HOME FROM THE WAR. BOTH OF THEM HAD SURVIVED ITS TRAUMA. I QUICKLY CAME TO REALIZE THAT MOTHER'S FEMININE SIDE WAS MORE THAN BALANCED BY AN INCREDIBLE INNER STRENGTH.

BUT BY FAR, THE GREATEST GIFT SHARED WITH ME WAS MOTHER'S WALK WITH GOD. MANY, MANY YEARS AGO SHE GAVE ME A PAMPHLET OF THE SAME TITLE AND WROTE ON IT, "MARGIE, CHERISH THIS!" SHE INDEED LIVED AND MOVED AND HAD HER BEING IN GOD. SHE TAUGHT ME TO DO EVERYTHING TO HIS GLORY -- SOMETHING I CONTINUOUSLY STRIVE TO DO IN ORDER THAT MY WALK MIGHT BE AS JOYOUS AS HERS.

SHE TOUCHED AND BLESSED MY LIFE AND SO MANY OTHER LIVES. THANKS FOR COMING TOGETHER TODAY TO BLESS HER AS SHE PASSES ON TO LIFE'S GREATER GOOD AND TO REMIND HER THROUGH YOUR MEMORIES, THAT INDEED, IN EVERY WAY, SHE'S UNFORGETTABLE---AND FOREVER MORE THAT'S HOW SHE'LL STAY!

margie Black

VICTOR KANNERS, 76, a longtime Beverly Hills resident and head of Cadillac Shoe Products, died March 15 of leukemia at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak.

Captured by the Germans during World War II, Mr. Kanners was forced to march miles through the snow with only thin cabbage soup to eat.

It was an experience that forged within him a lifelong optimism, not to mention an appreciation of a good meal.

"It was bitter cold in the winter, but he just kept up his spirits," said his wife of 52 years, Marcia. "When he came back, everything he had taken for granted he appreciated more fully than most would. His outlook was to make the most of every moment."

During the war, Mr. Kanners served as a lieutenant in the 104th infantry Timberwolves division under Gen. Terry Allen. He kept a journal of his POW experiences and later gave copies to friends.

When Mr. Kanners was 4, his parents lifted him up and helped him turn the key in the door of their new shoe supply business for good luck. After the war, he ran the family business. The company sells shoe care items such as polish and foot

pads.

As former head of the National Association of Wholesaler Distributors; he once testified before Congress against excessive business regulations. His daughter Marilyn Beckham runs Cadillac Shoe Products today.

In addition to his wife and daughter, survivors include sons Donald and David; daughters Carol Jo and Gail Wickens; one sister, and five grandchildren.

A memorial service was held Saturday at William R. Hamilton Co. in Birmingham. MUELLER Frederick W. "Fritz" Mueller. 86, passed away Sunday, November 16, 1997 in a local nursing home. Fritz was born in Kenedy, Texas on August 17, 1911. Fritz graduated with the class of 1932 and received both Bachelors and Masters Degrees in Geology from Texas A&M. He served in WWII with an Artillery Unit as an Officer in the U.S. Army. He fought at the Battle of the Bulge and the D-Day invasion and he was also a Prisoner of War. He was a long time Geologist both in Corpus Christi and in Houston. He was a member of the American Petroleum Geologist and established a Presidential Endowment Scholarship at Texas A&M. He is preceded in death by his first wife, Bernie Greve Mueller.

He is survived by his wife, Ella Mae Mueller and her children. Louella Wallace, Lorraine Volk and Roy Caldwell; his daughter, Louise Mueller and her husband, Robert Craig Cook; her grandsons, Robert Craig Cook, Jr. and Frederick William Cook, all of Corpus Christi, Texas: his brother, H.A. Mueller of Goliad. Texas; three sisters: Christine Burnside of New Braunfels, Texas, Dorothy Slack of El Campo, Texas and Louise Gains of Dallas, Texas; and one niece, Sandra Mulcahy of Arlington, Texas.

A Memorial Service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 19, 1997 at The Church of The Good Shepherd Episcopal. A Private Interment will be held at Seaside Memorial Park.

Seaste Memorial Pairs.
In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to The
Church of The Good Shepherd or to the Presidential
Endowment Scholarship at
Texas A&M in College
Station.

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Lynn Hunsacker, Darlington, SC died in August 1997

Don Graul's wife "Dottie" died a few weeks ago.

Lawrence Naab, York SC died Mar 15, 1998 He was a member of the 88th Div.

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James Cupit

Carpenter and woodworker

MYSTIC — Retired Army First Lt. James Kenneth Cupit, 81, of Golden Road, died Saturday, Dec. 27, at Connecticut Hospice in Branford.

He was born July 2, 1916, in Boston, Mass., the son of William and Blanche Butler Cupit. He married Mary Coull on May 1, 1954, in New York City.

Mr. Cupit was a veteran of World War II and the Korean War. He was a prisoner of war in Germany from 1944 to 1945.

He was a self-employed carpenter and woodworker.

Mr. Cupit was a life member in perpetuity of the New London Chapter of the National Sojourners, a member of the

Fraternity and Fuller Lodge of Masons of Newtonville, Mass, the Retired Officers Association, Military Order of World Wars and the Carpenters' Union.

His wife is his only immediate survivor.

The funeral service is Wednesday, Dec. 31, 10 a.m., a Byles-Groton Memorial Home, 310 Thames St. Burial with military honors will be in Massachusetts National Cemetery, Bourne, Mass Calling hours are Tuesday, Dec. 30, 7-9 p.m., at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions in Macupit's name may be made to Hospice of Southeaster Connecticut, P.O. Box 902. Uncasville, 06382.

Robert L 'Bob' Aschim. 78 Loving husband, father. grandfather. great-grandfather

Robert L "Bob" Aschim, 78, of Rockford, died at 2:25 a.m. Monday. April 6, 1998, in his home. Born Nov. 5, 1919, in Des Moines, lowa, the son of Thorston B. and Selma C. Mickelson Aschim. Rockford resident for 38 years, coming from Des Moines. Mar-ried Gladys Mudge in Topeka, Kan., on Feb. 24, 1946. Employed by Iowa Rating Bureau and then National Fire & CNA Insurance Co. for 23 years. He owned Stillman Valley Insurance Agency. Laterworked for Modern Suspension Systerns in Rockford, retiring in 1984. Veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Army. He was captured in North Africa and was a POW in Oflag 64 Camp, Poland for two years. Member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church, American Legion Post 1072, Disabled American Veterans, National Ex-POWS and also a former commander of the Rockford chapter. Member of AA for 22 years. Survivors include with, Gladys; daughters, Janet (Robert) Mackey of Rock-ford and DeLores (Edward) Wilson of Belleville; grandchildren, Timothy J. (Kara) Mackey, Christine M. Mackey, Jeffrey O. Wilson and Anne C. Wilson; great-grandchild, Tyler J. Mackey; sister. DeLores Aschim of Des Moines; brothers, Dean (Rachel) Aschim of Des Moines, Kenneth (Jean) Aschim of Lansing, Mich., and Donald (Iris) Aschim of Lakeview, Ark.; brothers-inlaw, Clifton Mudge of Hemet, Calif., and Melville (Dorothy) Mudge of Lakewood, Colo.; sisters-in-law, Lois Aschim and Lucille Mudge; nephew, Robert Mudge; and many other nieces. nephews and cousins. Predeceased by brother, Theodore; and sister-in-law,

Services at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 9, in Fred C. Olson Funeral Chapels Ltd., East Chapel, 1001 Second Ave., with the Rev. Dr. Loren Nielson, pastor of Our Savior's Lutheran Church, officiating. Visitation from 10 a.m. to service time Thursday in the East Chapel. Memorials to American Lung Associ-

ation. 4-7-2

Jim Wood, 86, World War II vet

By Joel Groover

Jim Wood helped save American soldiers by fighting off a German counterattack during World War II. After the war, as a defense attorney, he helped save an innocent man from dying in the electric chair.

James Horace Wood, 86, died Wednesday at his Commerce residence from a heart attack and stroke. The funeral was Friday. Little-Ward Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements

Mr. Wood practiced law for 40 ars in Atlanta, Jefferson and Commerce and for 16 years erved as a state court judge in

He wrote a book called "Nothing But the Truth" about his role as a defense attorney in 1956 during a murder case in Maysville, in Banks County in north-

east Georgia.

About 10,000 copies of the true-crime paperback were printed in 1960. "It was a Perry Mason-type thing," said Mr. Wood's wife, Mary Wood of Commerce.

In August 1956, the Superior Court in Jackson County appointed Mr. Wood to defend a drifter from South Carolina accused of robbing and killing a Maysville man who was known to keep a roll of cash in his shirt

The drifter insisted he was innocent, but Maysville residents regarded the man as a seedy character, and despite shaky evidence, the jury sentenced him to death. Mrs. Wood

Mr. Wood investigated his client's story and concluded that his alibis were true. He eventually proved that another man, a ner policeman, had committed the robbery and murder.

"He confessed and was convicted," Mrs. Wood said. "He died in prison."

Mr. Wood was born in Mays-



Maysville native and University of Georgia graduate, practiced law for 40 years. His book, "Nothing But the Truth. focued on his role in a 1956 Banks County murder case.

ville and grew up there. He lied about his age to join the Marines when he was 15 and spent four years in Nicaragua as part of a patrol guarding the United States legation. After that tour of duty, Mr. Wood returned to Maysville to finish high school. Mrs. Wood said

Mr. Wood earned his bachelor's and law degrees at the University of Georgia.

He joined the Army in 1942, and fought bravely in Germany, said James Beach of Santa Clara, Calif., a longtime friend who served with Mr. Wood during the

In November 1944, a month before the Battle of the Bulge, Mr. Beach and Mr. Wood were captured following an Allied attack in Huertgen Forest in

The two lieutenants eventually were marched to a prison camp in southern Germany

Mr. Wood never received a medal for the courage he showed by refusing to flee a German unteroffensive during the Allied attack, but he deserves one, Mr. Beach said

"I've been trying for years to get somebody to honor him for that action," he said.

Surrounded by dying and

dead soldiers. Mr. Wood held the line as advancing Germans decimated Allied ranks

"Each of us had 50 men in our platoons at the start of the day. But by the end of the day, Woody had only six left and I had only four," Mr. Beach said. "Everyone in Woody's platoon wanted to pull out, and he said, 'I'll be here in the morning, either dead or alive - it's up to you."

Mr. Wood's courage inspired his men to hold their ground. Mr. Beach said. By refusing to run, the remaining soldiers may have prevented the Allied line from collapsing under the German counterassault.

"If Woody had pulled out. there would have been a hole in our line," he said. "The Germans could have rushed through and possibly destroyed our offensive.

"He was just a great guy," Mr. Beach said. "If he knew a situation was wrong, he would just fight like hell to make it right."

Survivors other than his wife include four daughters, Christina Bulls and Katherine Evans both of Commerce. Beth Harrell. of Key West, Fla., and Robin Roling, of Danielsville; and a sis ter. Mamie Sue Letson, of Atlanta.

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Lawrence Naab

YORK — Mr. Lawrence J. Naab, 79, of 360-B East Jefferson St. died Sunday, March 15, 1998, at Piedmont Medical Center in Rock Hill.

The funeral will be 7 p.m. Wednesday at Trinity United Methodist Church, with the Rev. James L. Correll Jr. officiating. Burial will be at a later date at Andersonville

National Cemetery.

Born in Lansing, Mich., Mr. Naab worked in real estate sales. He was a member of the Rotary Club, American Ex-POW's, Disabled American Veterans and Veterans of Forcign Wars. He served as a 1st Lieutenant with the 88th division 913 Field Artillery during World War II, and was a German prisoner of war. He was awarded the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star and two Bronze Battle Stars. He was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church.

Surviving are his wife. Florence Mattison Naab; his son, Jim L. Naab of Little Rock, Ark.; four daughters, Joyce N. Halverson of Largo, Fla., Sue N. DeClue of Apopka, Fla., Terri N. Versen of York and Robin N. Landers of Memphis, Tenn.; his brother, Warren Naab of Winter Haven, Fla.; 11 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends in the church parlor after the service.

The family will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Versen, 1333 Rabbit Run, York.

Memorials may be made to American Ex-POW's, c/o Fred Boyles, Supt., Andersonville National Historical Site, Route 1, Box 800, Andersonville, GA 31711.

York Funeral Home is in charge.

Robert St. Clair Scott
Army Chaplain, Prisoner of War

Robert S. Scott, 82, former post enaplain at Fort Belvoir and a World War II prisoner of war who escaped his German captors, died of pneumonia March 26 in a VA hospital in Phoenix. Arizona.

Scott, who retired from the Army in 1966 as a licutenant colonel, was a long-time resident of Mount Vernon. Va. before moving to Arizona in 1972 as a Red Cross field director. He lived there in Scottsdale until his recent residency in the Arizona State Veterans Home in Phoenix. Born in Charlottesville, Va. to parents who were both ordained ministers. Scott followed the same career path. At 26, he left a Christian ministry in LaMarque, Tex. and joined the 101st Airborne Division shortly after the attack on Pearl Harbor. Landing on Normandy beaches in 1944 during the allied D-Day invasion of Europe, he became acting divisional chaplain when the senior clergyman received a leg wound. Scott later remembered conducting hasty funerals every evening at Omaha Beach for about 200 bodies at a time. Three months later, he parachuted into Holland with the 101st and almost

immediately was captured by German soldiers. With the Russian Army advancing on the eastern front, Scott and other American POWs were moved rapidly from staining to stalag throughout the winter. In January of 1945, Scott later wrote, he and about 30 other American POWs — canteens frozen solid — broke from one frigid night march through Polish territory and "hid out in haystacks, under porches. in barns and any available spot."

Their German guards, Scott recalled, were more concerned with continuing the retreat than counting stragglers, and the escaping Americans worked their way back to repatriation through Russian lines.

Scott also served as a chaplain in the Korean War, and was assigned to chaplancies in Germany, Japan, Thailand, and several states. After military retirement, he was sent to Vietnam in the early 1970s as a Red Cross representative. His military decorations include the Purple Heart and Legion of Merit.

When asked about World War II, Scott frequently quoted a Wermacht general he had heard: "Our politicians should visit gravesites in Normandy at least once a year to see what a responsibility they have, to see what their decisions can bring."

Scott was a graduate of Texas Christian University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, both in Fort Worth, Tex., and he also studied at Johnson Bible College in Knoxville. Tenn., Harvard University, and Oxford University in England.

He was a member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans, Military Chaplains Association, Texas Prisoners of War, Military Order of the Purple Heart, MENSA, and Toastmasters.

He was pre-deceased by his wife of 59 years, Marion Taylor Scott, who died in Phoenix on Jan. 8 of this year, and by his son Michael David Scott, also a member of the 101st Airborne Division, who died in San Diego in 1996.

Survivors include three daughters. Bobbye Maskulka of Scottsdale, Ariz., Dian Scott of Potomac, Md., and Suzy Parker of Arlington, Va.: a son, Paul Trent Scott of Los Angeles; a brother Homer Scott, of Roanoke, Va.; nine grandchildren, four great-grandchildren. His sister, Virginia Scott, of Roanoke, died March 30, 1998, four days after Robert's death.

Services will be held at Arlington National Cemetery, Wednesday, April 8, 1998.