

# Records for Individual Soldiers In Normandy

**ASN** 16062910

**Name** Potter, William E.

**Neptune Rank** Private First Class

**Division** 82nd Abn Div

**Regiment** 505th Prcht Inf

**Battalion**

**Neptune Company** Co B

**Company Attached**

**Company Attached**

**Neptune Platoon**

**Neptune Squad**

**Neptune MOS**

**Combat Infantry Badge** Sicily

**Combat Medical Badge**

**Neptune Tail #**

**Neptune After Action Status** LWA

**Neptune After Action Date** 6/7/1944

**Age** 22

**Month of Admission** June

**Type of Case** Casualty, battle

**1st Diagnosis** Wound(s), Penetrating

**1st Anatomical Location** Leg

**1st Operation** -

**2nd Diagnosis** -

**2nd Anatomical Location** -

**2nd Operation** 000

**Causative Agent** Artillery Shell, Fragments, Afoot or unspecified

**Final Result** 348th Station Hospital or 81st Gen Hospital

**Disposition** Duty

**Month of Disposition** September

**Current Days /Gen Hosp Overseas Days** 095

**Place of Final Cure** 81st Gen Hosp

STATION Quorndon, F 3602, England

ORGANIZATION Co "B", 505th Pchrt Inf

Inf

(CO, DET, ETC.)

(REPORT UNIT)

(ARM OR SERVICE)

Serial Number	NAME	GRADE	CODE
16062910	Potter, William E	Pvt	9
fr dy to hosp LD slightly wounded in Action France 7 Jun 44 evac to 81st Gen Hosp 13 Jun 44. (Battle Casualty.)			
12072162	McFadden, Charles H	Pvt	
fr slightly wounded in action France 7 June 44 evac to 261st Gen Hosp to evac to 91st Gen Hosp 16 Jun 44. (Battle Casualty)			
35768898	Addison, Donald E	Pvt	
fr slightly injured in action France 7 Jun 44 evac to 261st Med Bn, to evac to 76th Gen Hosp 10 Jun 44; (Battle Casualty)			
11098949	DeCoigne, Ransom B	Pvt	
fr slightly injured in action France 7 Jun 44 evac to 261st Med Bn to evac to 94th Gen Hosp 11 Jun 44 (Battle Casualty)			
20455623	Shinpaugh, William H	Pvt	
fr slightly injured in action France 6 Jun 44 evac to 261st Med Bn to evac to 192d Gen Hosp 12 Jun 44 (Battle Casualty)			
6153202	Stokowski, George P	Cpl	
fr slightly injured in action France 6			

OFFICER STRENGTH	FLD O & CAPT		1ST LT		2D LT		WO		FLT O	
	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST
ASCO										
ATCHD UNASSED										
ATCHD FR OTHER ORGN										
TOTAL										

AVN CADET & ENL STRENGTH	AVIATION CADETS		ENLISTED MEN			
	PRESENT	ABSENT	PRESENT FOR DUTY	PRESENT NOT FOR DUTY	ABSENT	PRESENT AND ABSENT
ASCD						
ATCHD UNASSED						
ATCHD FR OTHER ORGN						
TOTAL			0	0		

R A T I O N S	ESTIMATED NUMBER OF RATIONS REQUIRED FOR	DAY OF WEEK DATE	NUMBER
	MESS ATTENDANCE FOR DAY OF THIS REPORT		TOTAL
	BREAKFAST	DINNER	SUPPER
	MEN AUTHORIZED TO MESS SEPARATELY		MEN ATCHD FOR RATIONS O & OTHERS MESS
	MEN ATCHD TO OTHER ORGN FOR RATIONS	NET	TOTAL
	MEN PRESENT	LESS	PLUS

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I CERTIFY THAT THIS MORNING REPORT IS CORRECT AND THAT RATION  
FIGURES IN PART II REPRESENT AN ACTUAL COUNT AS REPORTED TO ME.

SIGNATURE



HEADQUARTERS 505TH PARACHUTE INF BN  
APO #469, c/o Postmaster, N.Y., 1, N.Y.

*Duplicate*  
SEPT  
12 August 1944

GENERAL ORDER)

NUMBER.....13)

I. So much of par I, GO #12, this headquarters, cs, dated 15 Aug. 1944, as pertains to the award of the Combat Infantrymen Badge for the Sicilian Campaign is amended to delete the following:

SERVICE COMPANY

Pfc.	Bechtel, Howard W.	33147295
Pvt.	Malafroont, Michael (NMI)	32194417
Pvt.	Adams, Harry E.	33147128
Pvt.	Hill, Orain E.	36277532

COMPANY "A"

Pfc.	Bronk, Joseph	17049744
Pvt.	Prendergast, George	12059677
Pvt.	Shawver, Lee E.	19099583

II. So much of par II, GO #12, this headquarters, cs, dtd 15 Aug. 1944, as pertains to the award of the Combat Infantrymen Badge for the Italian Campaign is amended to delete the following:

COMPANY "A"

Pvt.	Caruthers, Luther	18154536
Pvt.	Pinkard, Homer M.	17060127

III. So much of par III, GO #12, this headquarters, cs, dtd 15 Aug. 1944, as pertains to the award of the Combat Infantrymen Badge for the Normandy, France Campaign is amended to delete the following:

SERVICE COMPANY

CWO.	Ross, Robert A.	W-2116113
Cpl.	Seitz, Ernest (NMI)	33001718

IV. Pursuant to the provisions of WD Circular No. 186, 11 May 1944 the following named Officers, Warrant Officers, and Enlisted Men are awarded the Combat Infantrymen Badge for exemplary conduct in action against the enemy in the Sicilian Campaign, 9 July to 19 August, 1943:

GO #13 (Cont'd)

Pvt.	Jackson, William Jr.	12048997
Pvt.	Nicholas, James	39386965
	Norris, Virgil L.	37438711
	O'Donnell, Joseph V.	33136504
	Peal, James E.	34188849
	Potter, William E.	16062910
	Schoen, Glen B.	39176969
	Sharpe, Merle B.	34008205
	Smith, Henry O.	14076676
	Stout, Ralph	6287878
	Thew, Charles E. Jr.	19094122

COMPANY "C"

Pfc.	Walker, William Jr.	15099554
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SECOND BATTALION

COMPANY "E"

Pvt.	Piacentino, Andrew	12061259
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THIRD BATTALION

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

Pfc.	Boley, William J.	33365170
Pvt.	Stovall, Patrick A.	6962625

COMPANY "G"

S/Sgt.	Fritts, James C.	17052889
Pvt.	Davies, Douglas R.	11050572
Pvt.	Gutknecht, Clarence L.	33031284

COMPANY "H"

Pvt.	Jennings, Wilbur J.	39173094
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COMPANY "I"

Pvt.	Stald, James R.	13067067
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Additional pay for the above Enlisted Personnel is authorized under the provisions of WD Circular No. 271, 3 July 1944 effective as of 1 January 1944.

V. Pursuant to the provisions of WD Circular No. 186, 11 May 1944, the following named Officer, Warrant Officers, and Enlisted Men are awarded the Combat Infantrymen Badge for exemplary conduct in action against the enemy in the Italian Campaign, 9 September to 18 November, 1943:



Information from the Hospital Admission Cards created 9/15/2025  
by the office of the Surgeon General, Department  
of the Army (1944-1945).  
Information for the year 1944

Service Number	16062910
Rank	Enlisted Man
Arm of Service	Infantry, Parachute Troops
Age	22
Race	White
Length of Service	2 Year(s), 3 Month(s)
Month of Admission	June
Year of Admission	1944
Last Treatment Facility	General hospital
Circumstances Surrounding Injury	Battle casualty or battle injury other than ; self-inflicted injury or injury intentionally ; inflicted by another person.
Type of Case	Casualty, battle
Type of Admission	New
Type of Diagnosis	Sole diagnosis, no history of prior disease, injury; or battle casualty
Line of Duty	In line of duty
1st Diagnosis	Wound(s), Penetrating
1st Anatomical Location	Leg
1st Operation	
2nd Diagnosis	
2nd Anatomical Location	
2nd Operation	
3rd Diagnosis	
Causative Agent	Artillery Shell, Fragments, Afoot or unspecified
Final Result:	348th Station Hospital or 81st Gen Hospital
Disposition	Duty
Cause of Disposition	Not death nor discharge (incl cases remaining in hosp at end of 1944
Month of Disposition	September
Year of Disposition	1944
Total Days (non-effective)	095
Hospital Days	088
Current Days /Gen Hosp Overseas Day	095
Place of Final Cure	81st Gen Hosp
Sample Size	Remaining 1944 case

Source: This information was obtained from the Hospital Admission Card data file (1944-1945) created by the Office of the Surgeon General Department of the Army. In 1970 the National Research Council first compiled this for statistical purposes using the EMTs (Emergency Medical Tags) and other Office of the Surgeon General Office Records during WWII.

# ITINERARY OF THE 505TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY COMBAT TEAM

505th Parachute Infantry Activated	6 July 1942
Received Regimental Colors, 1st Prcht Regiment	25 Sept 1942
Left Frying Pan area, Fort Benning, Ga.	1 Oct 1942
Arrived at Alabama Area	• 1 Oct 1942
First Issue of the 505th Static Line	3 Oct 1942
Orlando, Florida Jump	1 & 3 Dec 1942
Left Alabama Area	7 Feb 1943
Arrived at Camp Hoffman (McCall), N. Carolina	8 Feb 1943
Left Camp McCall	12 Feb 1943
Arrived at Ft. Bragg, N.C.	12 Feb 1943
Joined the 82nd Airborne Division	12 Feb 1943
Major General Ridgway Reviews the 505	20 Feb 1943
Regimental Band Broadcast over NBC	2 Mar 1943
General George Marshall, Anthony Eden, Field Marshall	
Sir John Dill, Review 505 Honor Guard	24 Mar 1943
	E Co. Guard of Honor
First Regimental mass jump in the history of the	
U.S. Army, Camden, South Carolina	30 Mar 1943
Left Ft. Bragg, N.C.	20 Apr 1943
Arrived at Camp Edwards Mass.	21 Apr 1943
Left Camp Edwards, Mass.	28 Apr 1943
Arrived at POE, New York City, N. Y.	28 Apr 1943
Left POE New York and USA aboard S. S. Monterey	28 Apr 1943
First Regimental Newspaper printed on the high seas	5 May 1943
Arrived at Casablanca, French Morroco, N. Africa	10 May 1943
Left Casablanca in 40 & 8's	12 May 1943
Arrived at Oujda, French Morroco, N. Africa	14 May 1943
Lt. General Mark Clark Review	19 May 1943
Lt. General Spatz, Cinc Allied Air Forces Review	20 May 1943
Left Oujda, French Morroco, N. Africa	1 & 2 July 1943
Arrived at Kariouan, Tunisia, N. Africa	1 & 2 July 1943
Invasion of Sicily, 505 Spearhead, 2100 hour	9 July 1943
Jumped on Sicily, Scattered spots 0030 hours	10 July 1943
Battle of Biazza Ridge, Sicily	11 July 1943
Arrived at Gela, Sicily	14 July 1943
Left Gela, Sicily	18 July 1943
Arrived at Trapani, Sicily	23 July 1943
Left Trapani, Sicily	20 Aug 1943
Arrived at Kairouan, Tunisia, N. Africa	20 Aug 1943
Left Kairouan, Tunisia, N. Africa	5 Sept 1943
Arrived at Castlevetrano, Comiso, Barhzzo, Sicily	5 Sept 1943
Left above area to check German counter-attack Salerno	14 Sept 1943
Jumped on Paestum, Italy (Salerno Beachhead) 0230	15 Sept 1943
Left Paestum, Italy for Beach Landing	28 Sept 1943
Beach Landing at Maiori, Italy 2200 hour	28 Sept 1943
Left Maiori, Italy	29 Sept 1943
Arrived at Castellemare, Italy	29 Sept 1943
Left Castellemare, Italy	1 Oct 1943
Arrived at Naples, Italy	1 Oct 1943
Left Naples, Italy	4 Oct 1943
Units of 505 entered Arnone, Italy at Volturno River	6 Oct 1943
Left Vicinity of Volturno River	8 Oct 1943
Arrived at Naples, Italy (Police & Reconef City)	8 Oct 1943
First Regimental Newspaper on continent of Europe	15 Oct 1943
Left Naples, Italy, (SS Frederick Funston) 1715	18 Nov 1943
Arrived at Oran, Mers El Kaber, N. Africa	22 Nov 1943
Left Oran, N. Africa	29 Nov 1943
Arrived at Belfast, Ireland	9 Dec 1943
Arrived at Cookstown, N. Ireland	9 Dec 1943
Left Cookstown, N. Ireland	13 Feb 1944
Arrived at Quorndon, Leicester, England	14 Feb 1944
Move to airport for invasion of Europe	31 May 1944
Left Airport, Leicester, England	5 June 1944

Jumped on Normandy, France (St. Mere Eglise 0015)	6 June 1944
Relieved in Normandy, France	8 July 1944
Arrived at Quorndon, England	13 July 1944
Moved to airport for invasion of Belgium	8 Sept 1944
Returned to Quorndon, England, jump called off due to British advances	11 Sept 1944
Moved to airport for invasion of Holland	15 Sept 1944
Left airport Leicester, England	17 Sept 1944
Jumped on Holland, first daylight combat jump 1305	17 Sept 1944
Relieved at Beek, Mass River, Holland 0845 hour	12 Nov 1944
Arrived at Oss, Holland (assembly area)	12 Nov 1944
Left Oss, Holland	16 Nov 1944
Arrived at Suippes, Marne, France	17 Nov 1944
Left Suippes for Ardennes Campaign (Bulge)	18 Dec 1944
Arrived at Werbomont, Belgium	18 Dec 1944
Trois Ponts, Salm River, Belgium	20 Dec 1944
Arrived at Monceau, Belgium 0500 hour	25 Dec 1944
Left Monceau, Belgium	3 Jan 1945
Arrived at Rencheux, Belgium	8 Jan 1945
Relieved at Rencheux, Belgium	11 Jan 1945
Arrived at Theux, Belgium (Corps Reserve)	12 Jan 1945
Left Theux, Belgium	26 Jan 1945
Arrived at Montaneau, Belgium	26 Jan 1945
Arrived at Losheimergraben, Germany (Siegfried Line)	28 Jan 1945
Left Losheimergraben, Germany (last phase)	4 Feb 1945
Arrived at Dalm, Chateau, Belgium	4 Feb 1945
Left Dalm Chateau, Belgium for Hurtgen Forrest	6 Feb 1945
Arrived at Hurtgen Forrest, Germany	6 Feb 1945
Relieved and left Zu Schnidt, Germany on Roer River	18 Feb 1945
Arrived at Suippes, Marne, France	20 Feb 1945
Left Suippes, for Ruhr Pocket, Germany	2 Apr 1945
Arrived at Wesseling, Sechtem, Germany	4 Apr 1945
Left Wesseling, Germany	17 Apr 1945
Arrived at Bruhl, Germany (Bonn Railhead)	17 Apr 1945
Left Durren, Germany	26 Apr 1945
Arrived at Blekede, Germany	29 Apr 1945
Crossed the Elbe River	30 Apr 1945
Arrived at Neuhaus, Germany	1 May 1945
Arrived at Vielank, Germany	2 May 1945
Victory in Europe (no celebration)	8 May 1945
Left Vielank, Germany	2 June 1945
Arrived at Camp Chicago, Laon, France	5 June 1945
Left Camp Chicago, France	15 June 1945
Arrived at Epinal, France	16 June 1945
Left Epinal, France	14 Aug 1945
Arrived Berlin, Germany	19 Aug 1945
Left above area, Frankfurt and Paris	19 Nov 1945
Arrived at LeHavre, France	12 Dec 1945
Left LeHavre, France	12 Dec 1945
Arrived Southampton, England	12 Dec 1945
Arrived Camp Tidworth, England	13 Dec 1945
Left Camp Tidworth, England	26 Dec 1945
Boarded H.M.S. Queen Mary	26 Dec 1945
Arrived United States, New York Harbor	3 Jan 1946
Arrived Camp Shanks, New York	3 Jan 1946
Parade in New York City down Fifth Avenue	12 Jan 1946
Regiment disbanded, men went home on furlough or discharge	12 Jan 1946
Regiment Assembles at Fort Bragg, N.C.	3 Mar 1946
Parade in Washington, D.C.	12 Apr 1946
Left Fort Meade, Maryland to return to Ft. Bragg	14 Apr 1946
Arrived Fort Bragg, N.C.	15 Apr 1946
Left Fort Bragg to go to Ft. Benning, Ga.	
(Exhibition jump for Mexican Representatives)	8 May 1946