

Records for Individual Soldiers In Normandy

ASN	12072299
Name	Ketz, Joseph J.
Neptune Rank	Staff Sergeant
Division	82nd Abn Div
Regiment	505th Prcht Inf
Battalion	
Neptune Company	Co D
Company Attached	
Company Attached	
Neptune Platoon	3rd Plat
Neptune Squad	Hq
Neptune MOS	Platoon Sergeant
Combat Infantry Badge	
Combat Medical Badge	
Neptune Tail #	
Neptune After Action Status	LWA
Neptune After Action Date	6/11/1944
Age	29
Month of Admission	June
Type of Case	Casualty, battle
1st Diagnosis	Wound(s), perforating (points of entrance and exit) with no nerve or artery involvement
1st Anatomical Location	Rectum
1st Operation	Colostomy (formation of artificial opening leading into the colon)
2nd Diagnosis	Fracture, compound, comminuted with no nerve or artery involvement
2nd Anatomical Location	Spine and Trunk: Sacrum
2nd Operation	Sequestrectomy (removal of a particular kind of dead bone)
Causative Agent	Artillery Shell, Fragments, Afoot or unspecified
Final Result	000
Disposition	Discharged, Sec. II, AR 615-360 (line of duty, Yes) (CDD)
Month of Disposition	23
Current Days /Gen Hosp Overseas Days	193
Place of Final Cure	9505

COMPANY MORNING REPORT

ENGINE

2400

(DATE)

(MONTH)

194

(YEAR)

STATION

ORGANIZATION

(CO, BATT, ETC.)

(PATENT UNIT)

(TYPE OF SERVICE)

SERIAL NUMBER	NAME	GRADE	CODE
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1003151	Slaviano, John P	Pfc	9
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1003152	Schneider, Frank W	Pfc	
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1003153	Kell, Joseph I	S/Plt	
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2-1310400	Aifano, Sylvester T	2d Lt	V
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above OFF 2d Lt fr dy to keep 1d

slightly wounded in action France 21 June

44 avac (place unknown) battle casualties

34106205	Thierry, Frank J Jr	Pvt	9
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33053165	Sisko, Andrew J	Pvt	
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12060651	MacPhen, Donald W	Pvt	
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33084675	Fisher, William G	Pvt	
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4 above 2d Lt fr dy to keep 1d slightly

wounded in action France 15 June 44 avac

(place unknown) battle casualties

16020911	Davis, Allen H W	Pfc	W
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fr dy to missing in action France 2 June

44 (battle casualty)

39848382	Byrd, Thomas B	Pfc	W
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fr dy to missing in action France 15 June

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

AVN CADET & ENL STRENGTH	AVIATION CADETS		ENLISTED MEN			
	PRESENT	ABSENT	PRESENT FOR DUTY	PRESENT NOT FOR DT	ABSENT	PRESENT AND ABSENT
ASGD						
ATCHD UNASGD						
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		
	BREAKFAST	DINNER	SUPPER
	TOTAL		AVERAGE
	MEN AUTHORIZED TO MISS SEPARATELY		MEN ATCHD FOR RATIONS
	MEN ATCHD TO OTHER ORGN FOR RATIONS	NET	O & OTHERS MESS
	MEN PRESENT	LFSS	PLUS
			TOTAL

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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

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JULY 1, 1949

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(GRADE) (UNIT OR SERVICE)

RECORD OF EVENTS
OF
Co "D" 505 P.I.

- 11 June 44: In action south of Le Ham.
- 12 June 44: Patrolling south of Le Ham.
- 13 June 44: Moved south to Picaudville.
- 14 June 44: No Change.
- 15 June 44: In action east of St Sauver le Vicomte.
- 16 June 44: Captured St Sauver Le Vicomte.
- 17 June 44: Moved west of St Sauver Le Vicomte.
- 18 June 44: Bivouaced west of St Sauver Le Vicomte.
- 19 June 44: No Change.
- 20 June 44: Moved south of Pont L'Abbe into defensive position.
- Moved north of Barenquebeck into defensive position. (21 June 44:)
- 22 June 44: In defensive position and patrolling.
- 23 June 44: In defensive position in same sector.
- 24 June 44: In defensive position around Barenquebeck.
- 25 June 44: In defensive position near Barenquebeck.

James T. Hoffman
1st Lt.
Personnel Adjutant
Inf

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER.....12)

1. Pursuant to the provisions of W.D. 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:

REGIMENTAL HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

Lt. Col.	Krause, Edward C.	0-375296
	Winton, Walter F. Jr.	0-22966
Major	Norton, John (NMI)	0-23858
	Zaj, Edward A.	0-340500
Captain.	Boyd, John H.	0-1287465
	McRoberts, Neal (NMI)	0-436234
	Piper, Robert M.	0-407914
	Wagner, Jacob I.	0-296130
1st Lt.	Anderson, Guy R.	0-410158
	Dwyer, Robert J.	0-1309149
	Fielder, Robert A.	0-441621
	Garber, Dean L.	0-1304059
	Maher, John P.	0-1307557
	Masters, Harry M.	0-359264
	Weir, Brock M.	0-1300735
2nd Lt.	Garuso, Joseph J.	0-1011952
	Hill, William L.	0-887096
	Jannet, Richard M.	0-96036
	Lawrence, James R.	0-1307835
	McKeage, Thomas E. Jr.	0-1310280
WO (jg)	Stallbories, Robert H.	W-2106183
M/Sgt.	Clontz, Thomas L.	6087580
	Ward, Elmer P.	33084308
1/Sgt.	Mauldin, Kenneth C.	6379182
	Thompson, Gene L.	6245776
5/Sgt.	Burrer, Guenther A.	18013385
	Gillette, Robert W.	19077297
	Hern, Carl M.	35168363
	Hughes, Clyde L.	20407931
	Nigra, Paul (NMI)	6831799
	Spafford, Raymond L.	34212129
	Tellstone, Alfred (NMI)	12004900
	Trawick, Henry E.	20433860
Sgt.	Tessing, Gordon W.	39848148
	McDonald, Leonard M.	39087564
	O'Neil, Percy L. Jr.	6575701
	Tague, Robert L.	33068792
	Allen, Charles L.	18062386
T/L.	Adrianon, Donald L.	16002926
	Blumenstark, Louis C.	12036309
	Edison, Louis H.	39683582
	Gee, Ernest L.	19085156
	Huston, George F.	33048890
	Sutton, William O.	13069303
Cpl.	Davis, Charles W.	38047553
	Dixon, George I.	39389005
	Gabriel, Douglas C.	19087526
	Gardine, Lawrence E.	37160729
	Joseph, Carl (NMI)	35342930
	Kohut, Mike S.	39019251
	Keefer, Donald M.	15073366
	Lamb, Hoyt L.	34034120
	Lawton, Harold L.	36162012
	Miller, Edward J.	39021530
	Miller, Marion A.	6274419
	O'Brien, Charles A.	37066551

Pvt.	✓ Basal, Joseph J.	12113402
	✓ Brooks, Walker S. Jr.	34008333
	✓ Brown, Donald L.	18079961
	✓ Costanzo, William S.	32008141
	✓ Dufner, Paul L.	6957850
	✓ George, William F.	39021470
	✓ Farnan, James E.	39386967
	✓ Hayrel, Marvin C.	39267704
	✓ Howell, Coy B.	14182309
	✓ Kaspar, James M.	29322932
	✓ Keith, Edwin O.	34241240
	✓ Kellman, Moses M.	32681595
	✓ Krostitz, John E.	12123313
	✓ Leake, James W.	20320639
	✓ Martinak, Thomas A.	13025388
	✓ Mikesell, Wayne H.	15103668
	✓ Macyle, George B.	16023170
	✓ Basko, George (NMI)	15053781
	✓ Prescott, William L.	32067058
	✓ Price, Francis F.	19176362
	✓ Russell, Jerome B.	12082128
	✓ Slough, Leonard (NMI)	14073192
	✓ Smith, Claude E.	33119923
	✓ Strickland, Wilburn (NMI)	34408360
	✓ Stricklin, Clifford E.	34106908
	✓ Sumpter, Raymond P.	20723919
	✓ Taft, Chester W.	32255669
	✓ Wallace, James E.	14079473
	✓ Wetherholt, Myron L.	16065575

COMPANY "D"

1/Sgt.	✓ Robig, John H.	36022338
S/Sgt.	✓ Ketz, Joseph J.	12072299
	✓ Rogers, Thomas J.	12060607
Sgt.	✓ Clark, Eldon M.	20422887
	✓ Jakiel, Henry (NMI)	12056585
	✓ Jones, Bryant W.	32225291
	✓ King, Roy D.	18068431
	✓ Kermazin, Anthony (NMI)	32254818
	✓ Schlesener, Milton E.	17056807
	✓ Smith, Gerald F.	37022419
	✓ Swan, Charles A.	17050819
T/4.	✓ Freeland, Fred W.	18106903
	✓ Silver, Walter (NMI)	14081439
	✓ West, Floyd Jr.	39236843
Cpl.	✓ Bennett, William C.	36004193
	✓ Little, William E.	38065724
	✓ Makuch, Joseph P.	33023563
	✓ Murphy, Edward F.	12061225
	✓ Rule, Eugene W. Jr.	34008931
	✓ Weed, Gerald R.	19075432
T/5.	✓ Nelson, Charles H.	32290050
Pfc.	✓ Bowman, David V.	15075792
	✓ Castle, Robert C.	33350208
	✓ Chaudoin, Fred A.	39604591
	✓ Defilippo, Arthur (NMI)	12159309
	✓ Demarco, Frank J.	32209519
	✓ Diippolito, Dominick J.	32205892
	✓ Emerick, Ulysses S.	39020948
	✓ Fotovich, George (NMI)	16111453
	✓ Garlick, Harry (NMI)	19083356
	✓ Haynes, William R.	12061008
	✓ Holder, Jack (NMI)	39190152
	✓ Kallengerger, Ralph M.	17066960
	✓ McGrath, Charles P.	20112849
	✓ McIlmanson, William F.	12077425
	✓ Meads, Forrest B.	32253480

Service Number	12072299
Rank	Enlisted Man
Arm of Service	Infantry, Parachute Troops
Age	29
Race	White
Length of Service	2 Year(s), 5 Month(s)
Month of Admission	June
Year of Admission	1944
Last Treatment Facility	General hospital
Circumstances Surrounding Injury	Other or unspecified non-battle injuries.
Type of Case	Casualty, battle
Type of Admission	New
Type of Diagnosis	Primary diagnosis, no history of prior disease, injury; or battle casualty
Line of Duty	In line of duty
1st Diagnosis	Wound(s), perforating (points of entrance and exit) with no nerve or artery involvement
1st Anatomical Location	Rectum
1st Operation	Colostomy (formation of artificial opening leading into the colon)
2nd Diagnosis	Fracture, compound, comminuted with no nerve or artery involvement
2nd Anatomical Location	Spine and Trunk: Sacrum
2nd Operation	Sequestrectomy (removal of a particular kind of dead bone)
3rd Diagnosis	Peritoneum, adhesions of
Causative Agent	Artillery Shell, Fragments, Afoot or unspecified
Final Result:	
Disposition	Discharged, Sec. II, AR 615-360 (line of duty, Yes) (CDD)
Cause of Disposition	Second diagnosis field
Month of Disposition	
Year of Disposition	1944
Total Days (non-effective)	260
Hospital Days	259
Current Days /Gen Hosp Overseas Day	193
Place of Final Cure	
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.

Information from the Hospital Admission Cards created 10/23/2025
by the office of the Surgeon General,
Department of the Army (1944-1945).
Information for the year 1945

Service Number	12072299
Sample Size	
Rank	Enlisted Man (includes Aviation C
Age	29 29
Race	White (includes Mexican)
Length of Service	2-3 yr.
Arm of Service	Infantry, Parachute Units
AAF Status	Neither assigned nor attached to AAF (includes all unassigned, ;
Admission Statio	
Month of Admission	June
Year of Admision	1944
Last Treatment Facilit	General Hospital
Special Class of Cas	Invalided Home (except repatriated) in other year
Type of Case	Casualty, battle
Type of Admission	New, not EPTS
1st Diagnosis	Wound(s), perforating (points of entrance and exit) with no nerve or artery involvement
1st Anatomical Locatio	Rectum
1st Operation	Colostomy (formation of artificial opening leading into the colon)
2nd Diagnosis	Fracture, compound, comminuted with no nerve or artery involvement
2nd Anatomical Locatio	Sacrum
2nd Operation	Sequestrectomy (removal of a particular kind of dead bone) or Saucerization
3rd Diagnosis	Peritoneum, adhesions of
Causative Agent	Artillery Shell, Fragments, Afoot or unspecified
Circumstances Surroundi	All battle casualties, and all battle injuries not intentionally inflicted by self or another person
Final Result	Discharge/retirement: med reasons--but not for any residual condition w/ a code
Total Days (non-effective)	075
Hospital Days	259
Overseas Days	026
Type of Discharge	Discharged or Retired for Disability, Line of Duty, Yes
Field of Cause of Disposit	Second Diagnosis field
Unit Number	505
Month of Dispositio	March
Year of Dispositio	1945

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ITINERARY OF THE 505TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY COMBAT TEAM

505th Parachute Infantry Activated	6 July 1942
Received Regimental Colors, 1st Pacht 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
	2 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 POB, New York City, N. Y.	28 Apr 1943
Left POB 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 Morocco, N. Africa	10 May 1943
Left Casablanca in 40 & 8's	12 May 1943
Arrived at Oujda, French Morocco, N. Africa	14 May 1943
Lt. General Mark Clark Review	19 May 1943
Lt. General Spats, Cinc Allied Air Forces Review	20 May 1943
Left Oujda, French Morocco, 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 Castelvetro, Comiso, Barizzo, 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 Castellmare, Italy	29 Sept 1943
Left Castellmare, 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 & Reconn City)	8 Oct 1943
First Regimental Newspaper on continent of Europe	15 Oct 1943
Left Naples, Italy, (SS Fredrick 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 Quorn, Leicoster, England	14 Feb 1944
Move to airport for invasion of Europe	31 May 1944
Left Airport, Leicoster, 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 (Belge)	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 Schmidt, 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