

Record for Soldiers Killed In Normandy

ASN 18128681
Name Wright, Willard K.
Rank Private First Class
Division 82nd Abn Div
Regiment 507th Prcht Inf
Battalion
Company Hq Co 2nd Bn
Cemetery Name Blosville
Plot Number M-10-190
Date of Burial 7/13/1944
Original Cemetery
Original Burial Plot #
Original Burial Dat.
Date of Casualty 7/13/1944
Type of Death KIA
Report Number 103.101
Burial Line Number 2014
Original Report Number
Original Burial Line #
Location of Death
Age 00
Month of Admission July
Last Treatment Facilit Not in a medical installation prior t
Type of Case Casualty, battle
1st Diagnosis Wound(s), Penetrating
1st Anatomical Locatio Thorax, generally
1st Operation -
2nd Diagnosis Killed in action
2nd Anatomical Locatio -
Causative Agent Bullet, Missile Not Stated
Final Result Graves Regis/Not in Med Instal pri
Month of Dispositio July
Current Days /Gen Hosp 000
Overseas Days
Place of Final Cure

STATION **CP TOLLERTON NOTTINGHAM ENGL**
 ORGANIZATION **Hq Hq Co 2nd BN 507 PARA INELNE**
(CO. DET. ETC.) (DRESSY UNIT) (LINE OR SERVICE)

SERIAL NUMBER	NAME	GRADE	CODE
35453692	PENNINGTON JOHN H	PVT	B-10F
(ATCHD AS) FR 18 th 1/2 H APOSTY To ASD AND AND JO CO 17 JULY 44 (NON-BATTLE)			

18128681	WRIGHT WILLARD K	PFC	M
BY TU KD IN ACTION 13 JULY 44 '90			

18115490	HARDIN JAMES M	PVT	9
(ATCHD UNASST) 8 th 1/2 H To ASD AND JO CO (BATTLE CASUALTY)			

13080348	ROSENFELD HARRY	PVT	B-10F
ASGD AND JO CO FR 12 th REPL DEPOT 26 JULY 44 '90			

OFFICER STRENGTH	PLD O & CAPT		1ST LT		2D LT		WO		FLT O	
	PRE	ABST	PRE	ABST	PRE	ABST	PRE	ABST	PRE	ABST
GOOD	2		3		2	1	1			
SPECIALLY TRAINED				5						
SPECIALLY TRAINED FOR OTHER DUTY	1									
TOTAL	3		3	5	2	1	1			

OFFICER STRENGTH	AVIATION CADETS		ENLISTED MEN			
	PRESENT	ABSENT	PRESENT FOR DUTY	PRESENT NOT FOR DUTY	ABSENT	PRESENT AND ABSENT
GOOD			71	5	47	123
SPECIALLY TRAINED					40	40
SPECIALLY TRAINED FOR OTHER DUTY			17		5	22
TOTAL			88	5	92	185

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF RATIONS REQUIRED FOR	DAY OF WEEK DATE	NUMBER
MESS ATTENDANCE FOR DAY OF THIS REPORT		TOTAL + AVERAGE
BREAKFAST	DINNER	SUPPER
MESS AUTHORIZED TO BE SEPARATELY		MESS ATCHD FOR RATIONS
MESS ATCHD TO OTHER ORGN FOR RATIONS		O & OTHERS MESSD
MESS	NET	TOTAL
LESS	PLUS	

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QAC Form
No. 2-GRS

314.6 Q-GRS (Trans).

SUBJECT: QAC Form No. 2 GRS
Weekly Report of Burials. No. 103.

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NAME	SOLDIERS NO.	RANK	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF BURIAL Dy M. Yr	CEMETERY
2001. STYERS, John P.	35042402	Pfc	980 PA Bn 155 Gun	18 Jul 44	Blossville
2002. SHANK, Adam	38008486	Pfc	13 Inf Regt 8 Inf Div	18 " "	"
2003. WOLVERTON, Thomas D	34146745	Pfc	13 Inf Regt	18 " "	"
2004. SANICOLA, Salvatore	32009902	Pfc	12 Engr C Bn	18 " "	"
2005. SMITH, Fred E. Jr.	33639489	Pvt	121 Inf Regt	18 " "	"
2006. VOIGHT, Weldon R.	38244489	Pfc	13 Inf Regt 8 Inf Div	18 " "	"
2007. SEWELL, Denver	34011788	Pvt	121 Inf Regt	18 " "	"
2008. TYUS, Copeland	20401774	S/Sgt	121 Inf Regt	18 " "	"
2009. FELDMANN, Paul F.	37187600	S/Sgt	513 Inf Regt	13 " "	"
2010. BURKE, Robert S. Jr	34883063	Pvt	515 Inf Regt	13 " "	"
2011. McNAMARA, Joseph E	11119554	Pvt	313 Inf Regt	13 " "	"
2012. RAMOS, Joseph V.	32006296	Sgt	314 Inf Regt 79th Div	13 " "	"
2013. PRATER, Robert E.	34377094	Pfc	329 Inf Regt	13 " "	"
2014. WRIGHT, Willard K.	18128681	Pfc	507 Para Inf Rgt, 82 AB	13 " "	"
2015. ROMERO, Timoteo	38352533	Pvt	51 Armd Inf Bn	25 " "	"
2016. TORZILLO, Louis A.	33052551	Pvt	53 Armd Inf Bn, 4 Armd Div	24 " "	"
2017. WALSH, Francis	36884224	Pvt	22 Inf Regt	24 " "	"
2018. MARINO, Leo E.	31445931	Pvt	60 Inf Regt	25 " "	"
2019. SMITH, Clarence R.	37155583	T/4	345 PA Bn, 155 HOW	25 " "	"
2020. PHILLIPS, William	18075069	Sgt	357 Inf Regt	25 " "	"

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FORM B PARACHUTE

DATE _____

A/C NO. (TAIL NO.) _____

CHALK NO. 14

PERSONNEL

DROP ORDER	ASN	RANK	NAME AND INITIALS	UNIT
1	0-1301937	2nd Lt	Berman, Harry	Hq Co 2nd Bn 507
2	38161399	Sgt	Lee, Andrew J.	Ditto
3	37275940	Pfc	Nelson, Russell E	Ditto
4	18128681	Pfc	Wright, Willard K	Ditto
5	11101972	Pvt	La Fluor, Albert K	Ditto
6	18048379	Pvt	Paulding, Sherman L	Ditto
7	33473721	Pvt	Olesh, Walter B	Ditto
8	35104514	Pfc	Landers, Edward H	Ditto
9	32767801	Pvt	Pendlebury, John W	Ditto
10	31326309	Pvt	Blanchard, Clarence E	Ditto
11	34880395	Pvt	Kuykendall, A.L.	Ditto
12	38157573	Cpl	Marshall, Murray G	Ditto
13	18123642	Pvt	Going, Lester L	Ditto
14	35793675	Pvt	Sigmas, Woodrow W	Ditto
15	18109848	Cpl	Denham, Thomas O	Ditto
16	18129620	Sgt	Parker, Howard G	Ditto
17	15101919	T/5	Campbell, Morris A	Ditto
18				
19				
20				

CONTAINERS

RACK NO.	TYPE CONTENTS	GROSS WEIGHT	PARACHUTE COLOR
1	1 Baz, 12 rds Ammo	135 lbs	
2	1 LMG 8 Box Ammo	257 lbs	
3	1 LMG 8 Box Ammo	257 lbs	
4	12 Boxes LMG Ammo	275 lbs	
5	12 Boxes LMG Ammo	275 lbs	
6	Medical Bundle	135 lbs	

Inspection completed _____

Signed _____

" I certify this to be a true and correct copy."

JOE A. GUAYANTE
1st. Lt., 507th Parachute Inf

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EXERCISE-OPERATION Over lnd

DATE _____

DETAILS OF AIRCRAFT

SQUADRON 15th TCS

A/C TYPE O-47A

TAIL NO. 315210

CHALK NO. 14

AIRCREW

Pilot

Breeden, Claude E. 1st Lt. O-737717

Co-pilot

Casale, Raymond A. 2nd Lt. O-821666

Aerial Engineer

White, Minor F. T/Sgt 20725938

Radio Operator

Hair, James E. S/Sgt 16028885

CLAUDE E. BREEDEN, 1st Lt.

Information from the Hospital Admission Cards created 3/25/2026
 by the office of the Surgeon General, Department
 of the Army (1944-1945).
 Information for the year 1944

Service Number 18128681
 Rank Enlisted Man
 Arm of Service Infantry, Parachute Troops
 Age
 Race White
 Length of Service
 Month of Admission July
 Year of Admission 1944
 Last Treatment Facility Not in a medical installation prior to death
 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 Thorax, generally
 1st Operation
 2nd Diagnosis Killed in action
 2nd Anatomical Location
 2nd Operation
 3rd Diagnosis
 Causative Agent Bullet, Missile Not Stated
 Final Result: Graves Regis/Not in Med Instal prior to Death
 Disposition
 Cause of Disposition First diagnosis field
 Month of Disposition July
 Year of Disposition 1944
 Total Days (non-effective)
 Hospital Days
 Current Days /Gen Hosp Overseas Day
 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.

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C.O. 507 PRCHT INF.
INITIALS: *lra A*
DATE: 26 AUG 44

1. D-DAY 0230, MAIN BODY 507 PARA INF LANDED AND COMMENCED ASSEMBLY UNDER HEAVY FIRE.

2. D-DAY 0400, COL MILLETT LANDED, GATHERED 40 MEN AND ATTACKED AMPREVILLE. HE MOVED TO VIC LES LANDES AT 1300 THAT DAY.

3. D-DAY 0400, LT COL'S MALONEY AND OSTBERG ASSEMBLED 150 MEN.

4. D-DAY 0600, LT COL MALONEY MOVED AND GATHERED 400 MEN. CAPT SCHWARTZ-WALDER, CROSSED LA FIERE BRIDGE WITH 80 MEN OF G CO AT 1500.

5. D-DAY 0900, CAPT DICKERSON'S FORCE OF 300 MEN REMAINED IN RESERVE AT THIS POINT.

6. D-DAY 1200, LT COL OSTBERG MOVED TO THIS POINT WITH 75 MEN. CAPT CREEK AND 100 MEN TOOK CHEF DU PONT BRIDGE AT 2100. CAPT CREEK WAS RELIEVED BY 50B AND REJOINED THE REGT AT 0900 D+1.

7. D-DAY 2100-2400, LT COL MALONEY ENTERED FIGHT FOR LA FIERE BRIDGE WITH 400 MEN.

8. D+1 0900, ALL AVAILABLE MEN WENT INTO DIV RESERVE AND THE REGT WAS REORGANIZED INTO 3 CO'S. CAPT'S RAE, BRANKENCKE AND CREEK COMMANDING.

9. D+1 1730, REGT COMPOSED OF 3 CO'S RELIEVED 503 AT LA FIERE BRIDGE AND HELD POSITIONS UNTIL 1005 D+3 AT THAT TIME CAPT RAE'S CO FORCED THE MERDET AND TOOK LE MOTIEY AND HIGH GROUND NW OF THE LA FIERE BRIDGE. THE 325th RELIEVED US AND WE WENT INTO DIV RESERVE AT 1300 D+3.

10. D+3 0030, COL MILLETT MOVED HE AND ATTEMPTED TO JOIN COL TIMMES WITH 450 MEN. AT THIS TIME COL MILLETT'S FORCE MET HEAVY OPPOSITION AND WAS SCATTERED RESULTING IN THE CAPTURE OF COL MILLETT AND 200 OFFICERS AND MEN. CAPT P F SMITH GATHERED REMNANTS CONSISTING OF 140 MEN, FOUGHT BACK ACROSS THE MERDET AND REJOINED THE REGIMENT ON D+4.

11. D+3 1300, CONTACT BY PATROL MADE WITH LT COL TIMMES GROUP

12. D+3 1800, REGT PASSED THRU 325th AND RETOOK LE MOTIEY. 90 DIV RELIEVED REGT AT LE MOTIEY D+4. LA HAYE DU PUIITS

13. THE REGT UPON RELIEF BY 90 DIV WENT INTO POSITION E OF THE MERDET, REORGANIZED INTO 3 BN'S WITH A COMBINED STRENGTH OF 1037 MEN ON D+4.

14. D+4 LT COL TIMMES AND 125 MEN REJOINED THE REGT. THEY HAD OPERATED AS AN INDEPENDENT UNIT AND ON D-DAY ATTACKED AMPREVILLE WITH 50 MEN. AFTER THAT ATTEMPT THEY WITHDREW TO AND HELD A DEFENSIVE POSITION AGAINST REPEATED GERMAN ATTACKS.

15. D+7 THE REGT MARCHED TO ITS BIVOUAC AREA ON D+8, IT MOVED OUT ON ORDER IN A COLUMN OF BNS. 3rd BN AT TACKED RENOUF AT 0900

AND WAS PASSED THROUGH BY 1st & 2nd BNS WHO CONTINUED THE ATTACK TO THE WEST. THE 3rd BN CONTAINED RENOUF UNTIL RELIEVED BY THE 60th INF AT 1800. 1st AND 2nd BNS REACHED THEIR OBJECTIVES S OF BONNEVILLE AT DARKNESS.

16. D+9 1st AND 2nd BNS ATTACKED WEST AT DAWN AND MET SERIOUS RESISTANCE. THEY HELD ALL GROUND GAINED UNTIL PASSED THROUGH AND RELIEVED BY 505. LOSSES IN 2 DAYS 192.

17. D+10 0400, REGT MOVED BY TRUCK TO RELIEVE 308 IN STATIC POSITION AT FRANQUETOT.

18. D+12-13, THE 1st BN FORCED A RIVER CROSSING AND SEIZED VINDEFONTAINE AND C. R. TO THE WEST. THEY SUFFERED 34 CASUALTIES.

19. D+17 ENTIRE REGT TOOK UP POSITIONS AROUND VINDEFONTAINE WITH THE 1st BN HOLDING FRONT LINE POSITIONS.

20. D+28 SECOND BN UNDER DIV CONTROL TOOK OBJECTIVE AT LA FAUVREIE, REGT LESS 2nd BN FOLLOWED ATTACK OF THE 325th AT 0600.

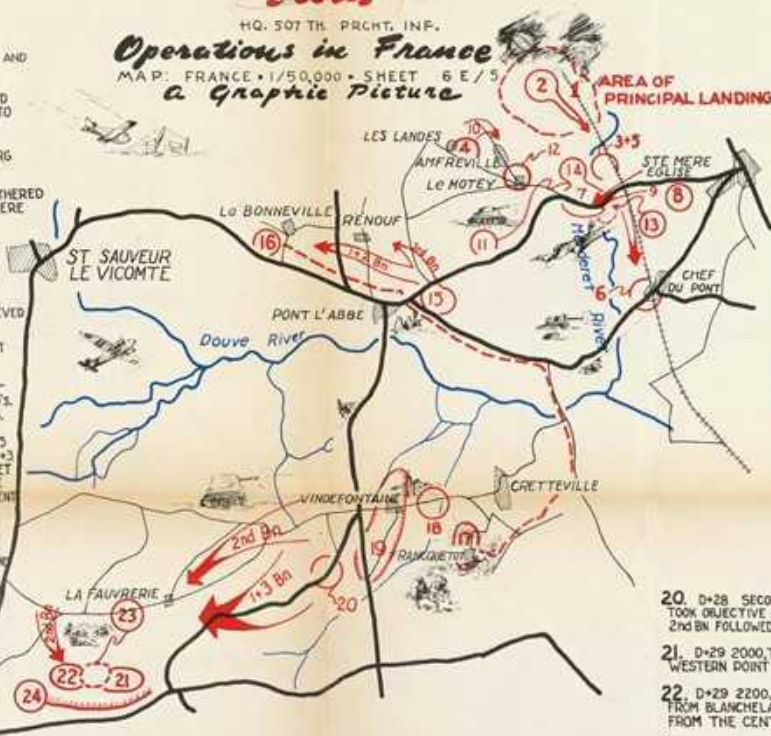
21. D+29 2000, THIRD BN ATTACKED AND TOOK WESTERN POINT OF LA POTERIE RIDGE.

22. D+29 2200, SECOND BN ATTACKED SOUTH FROM BLANCHELANDE DRIVING THE ENEMY FROM THE CENTER OF LA POTERIE RIDGE.

23. D+32 FIRST BN RELIEVED 325 AT 0600 AND SEIZED THE SADDLE OF LA POTERIE RIDGE.

24. D+32 507 ORGANIZED LA POTERIE RIDGE WITH OP LINE AS SHOWN. 8th DIV RELIEVED 507 ON D+36.

25. D+39 REGT ARRIVED IN ENGLAND.



THE 507 PRCHT INF REGT DURING THEIR INITIAL COMBAT EXPERIENCE AS A PART OF THE VETERAN 82nd AB DIV REACHED AND PROMPTLY TOOK ALL OBJECTIVES. THOUGH HANDICAPPED BY EXTENSIVE DISPERSAL DURING THE EARLY DAYS OF THE OPERATION AND HEAVY CASUALTIES, OUR REGT CARRIED OUT ALL ASSIGNSMENTS AND FOR A PERIOD OF 36 DAYS CONTRIBUTED GREATLY TO THE SUCCESS OF THE ENTIRE ALLIED LANDING OPERATION.

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