

**82nd combat
Engineers**



**1960 TO
1977
MEMBERS**

NEWSLETTER

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82nd Engineers received a Patriotic Website Award!

Hello all,

Would you believe it's July already. Our reunion is only 3 months away. We are very excited and can't wait to get there, although I don't want to wish the summer away either.

But, those 3 months will go quick, so if you're thinking about going, now is the time to make your reservations and send in your registration form to Maurine if you haven't done so already.

Enjoy your summer and hope to see you in Memphis.

2012 REUNION - MEMPHIS, TN

October 11, 12 & 13, 2012

Discount coupons for local attractions will be available during check in and at the front desk.

To make your reservations with the Crowne Plaza call 1-888-233-9527 by 9/11/2012



Members signed up already for the reunion:

- 1 Thomas and Sharon Frey A Co.82nd (2) MI
- 2 Kenneth and Betty Mattocks A Co. (2) PA
- 3 Roy and Donna Petska D Co. 237th (2) WI
- 4 Willie and Marlies Monelyon A Co.82nd (2)

Germany

- 5 Dan and Ceferina Hafeman HQ Co (2) TX
- 6 Clinton and Wendy Bell, Jr., Co A, (2) WA
- 7 Billy R and Barba Hudson A Co. (2) FL
- 8 George R McDonald & Anita Hq Co. (2) FL
- 9 James E. and Sue Brown Hq Co. (2) OH
- 10 Harold R. and Ann Baggett - A Co. (2) TN
- 11 Gary and Gloria Rongstad A Co. (2) WI
- 12 David and Carol Albain A co. (2) Mi.
- 13 Maurine Cozart - Treasurer (1) Ok.
- 14 John and Peggy Bero A co. (2) NY.
- 15 William and Cathy Munden A co. (2) MO.
- 16 Franklin and Linda Rutherford A co. (2) CA.
- 17 Gary Lee and Dolores Ullom Hq Co (2) AZ.
- 18 ~~Fed and Grace Carr A co. (2) FL~~
- 19 David and Suzanne Chubb A co. (2) PA
- 20 Rich & Debbie Ozark B co. (2) PA
- 21 Corley, James and Jeanette A co. (2) TX.
- 22 Stubblefield, Glenn & Joyce A co. (2) OH.
- 23 MacDonald, Robert Hq Co (1) MA.
- 24 McHugh, James M. Hq Co (1) OH.
- 25 Nussabaum, Michael A co. (1) FL.
- 26 Joiner, Roland M. A Co. (1) IA
- 27 Morago, Ronald A co. (1) Oregon
- 28 Noel, James and Carolyn, IN
- 29 Large, John Co.A (3)
- 30 Montegut, Monty Co.D (2)

Once again this year we are having our fundraising live auction. Everyone attending the reunion is encouraged to bring something small from home to donate to the auction. Anything will do from a diamond pendant to an unwanted birthday tie. Our auctioneer will find a loving home for it for just another dollar.

2012 REUNION AGENDA

THURSDAY OCTOBER 11TH, 2012

- Sign into your room at the Crown Plaza (4 PM Hotel check in)
- Sign in at welcome table in Memphis Room (Open at 9 am)
- Reunite with everyone in the Executive Room
- 5 PM meet in the Executive Room for finger food (Visit with buddies)

FRIDAY OCTOBER 12TH, 2012

- 10 AM Free time to mingle in the Executive Room
- 11 AM – 1PM Set up for Auction/Raffle in the River Room (bring your Auction/Raffle items in for display) Lunch on your own
- 1 PM – 2 PM Meet in the River Room for Business Meeting
- 2 PM – 5 PM Fundraising Auction/Raffle also in The River Room
- 5 PM Eat on your own and enjoy the nightlife in Memphis or the Casino's in Tunica, MS

SATURDAY OCTOBER 13TH, 2012

- 10 AM Meet in the Executive Room to meet up and spend a leisure day in Memphis
- 6 PM Meet in the Tennessee Ballroom for the Banquet and entertainment

SUNDAY OCTOBER 14TH, 2012

- 6AM-9AM Meet for breakfast in the Crowne Plaza's Rhythm and Blues Restaurant to wish Farewell and Godspeed to all
- 11 AM Hotel Check –Out

82nd Combat Engineers
1943 to 1977 Members
2012 Reunion Member Registration Form

October 11, 12, &13th 2012 at the Crowne Plaza

\$20.00 includes your spouse and family members
This takes care of all expenses that occur.

Cut out this page and send payment to:
Treasurer: Maurine Cozart
917 N. 10th Street Frederick, OK 73542

Please Print:
Member's Name _____
Company or Unit _____
Guest Names: _____
Number Attending Banquet:

Banquet Meal Selection: _____ Prime Rib
_____ Chicken
_____ Salmon

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Engineers that recently located us on the web:

1. SSgt Don Ryan osakadon@msn.com
It is so nice that this site is in Eddie Cozart's honor. He was a nice man and a good "Brother in Arms". At this time my attendance doesn't look good, but as we get nearer, times could change.
2. DANNY A. WILLIAMS DXX1WILLIAMS@BOP.GOV
I WOULD LIKE TO JOIN THE 82ND ENGINEER BATTALION ASSOCIATION. SERVED FROM 1971-1973 BAMBERG, GERMANY
3. Brian K. Leonhard bleonhard6@comcast.net
Great to see such a robust association of the "Blue Babe". I was assigned to HQ Co from '77-'80 as a heavy equipment mechanic...still the best experience of my life as a soldier. Retiring as a Colonel in two weeks. Best of luck and health to you all.
4. Timothy Gallton tgallton@us.army.mil
Served in Blue Babe from 1976 till 88. Bravo Company
5. David Stringfield Dwstringfield@gmail.com
In Bamberg 1969 then Vietnam 20th engr bn
6. David Eilers judy.eilers@gmail.com
Would be nice to see friends from B Co. 1963-1964.
7. Paul Williams Exmushah@aol.com
I was with HHC 82nd in Bamberg from Apr 71 to Apr 74

Messages from the Internet:

I RECEIVED A MESSAGE FROM AUDREY BURROWS THAT HER HUSBAND TOM HAD PASSED AWAY ON MAY 15, 2012. GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY AT THIS TIME OF NEED.

If anyone would like to offer condolences to Audrey, her address is 7413 Wooded Shore Dr. Wonder Lake , IL. 60097

I am sorry to say that James Blondell, (A Co) passed away on April 29th. Anyone wishing to pass along condolences can send cards to Theresa at:

*Theresa Blondell
39317 Twenlow Drive Clinton Twp, MI 48038*

Happy 4th of July

**I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG,
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ,**

**AND TO THE REPUBLIC, FOR WHICH IT STANDS,
ONE NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE,
WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL!**

God Bless our Military who are protecting our Country for our Freedom.Thanks to them, and their sacrifices, we can celebrate the 4th of July.

We must never forget who gets the credit for the freedoms we have, of which we should be eternally grateful.



I watched the flag pass by one day.
It fluttered in the breeze.
A young soldier saluted it,
And then he stood at ease.
I looked at him in uniform;
so young, so tall, so proud.
With hair cut square and eyes alert,
he'd stand out in any crowd..
I thought how many men like him
had fallen through the years.
How many died on foreign soil;
how many mothers' tears?
How many pilots' planes shot down?
How many died at sea?
How many foxholes were soldiers' graves?
NO, FREEDOM ISN'T FREE !
I heard the sound of Taps one night,
when everything was still.
I listened to the bugler play
And felt a sudden chill.

*I wondered just how many times
That Taps had meant 'Amen.'*
When a flag had draped a coffin
of a brother or a friend.
I thought of all the children,
of the mothers and the wives,
of fathers, sons and husbands
With interrupted lives.
I thought about a graveyard
At the bottom of the sea.
Of unmarked graves in Arlington .
NO FREEDOM ISN'T FREE
Enjoy Your Freedom and
God Bless Our Troops.

*When you read this, please stop for a moment
and say a prayer for our servicemen.
Of all the gifts you could give a U.S. Soldier,
prayer is the very best one.*



Dates to Fly Your Flag

2012

- May 8thVE Day
- May 19thArmed Forces Day
- May 28thMemorial Day
- June 14thFlag Day
- July 4thIndependence Day
- August 13thVJ Day**
- September 3rdLabor Day**
- September 11thPatriot Day**
- September 21stPOW / MIA Recognition Day**
- November 6thElection Day**
- November 12thVeterans Day**
- December 7thPearl Harbor Day**

If anyone has a story or something they would like to share, please feel free to call us at 570-239-7419 or write something up quick & drop it in the mail to us at 151 Country Club Estates Thornhurst, PA 18424. We'd love to hear from you.

Veteran to Veteran !!!

When a Veteran leaves the 'job' and retires to a better life, many are jealous, some are pleased, and others, who may have already retired, wonder if he knows what he is leaving behind, because we already know.

1. We know, for example, that after a lifetime of camaraderie that few experience, it will remain as a longing for those past times.
2. We know in the Military life there is a fellowship which lasts long after the uniforms are hung up in the back of the closet.
3. We know even if he throws them away, they will be on him with every step and breath that remains in his body life. We also know how the very bearing of the man speaks of what he was and in his heart still is.
4. These are the burdens of the job. You will still look at people suspiciously, still see what others do not see or choose to ignore and always will look at the rest of the Military world with a respect for what they do; only grown in a lifetime of knowing. Never think for one moment you are escaping from that life. You are only escaping the 'job' and merely being allowed to leave 'active' duty.
So what I wish for you is that whenever you ease into retirement, in your heart you never forget for one moment that you are still a member of the greatest fraternity the world has ever known.

CIVILIAN FRIENDS: Get upset if you're too busy to talk to them for a week.

VETERAN FRIENDS: Are glad to see you after years, and will happily carry on the same conversation you were having the last time you met.

CIVILIAN FRIENDS: Have shared a few experiences...

VETERAN FRIENDS: Have shared a lifetime of experiences no citizen could ever dream of...

A Veteran - whether active duty, retired, served one hitch, or reserve is someone who, at one point in their life, wrote a blank check, made payable to: "The Government of the United States of America, for an amount of up to and including my life." From one Veteran to another, it's An Honor to be in your company. Thank you for your service to our country and defending the freedoms we enjoy.

Please send your 2012 Website, postage and supply donations payable to the 82nd Engineers to:

Treasurer: Cozart, Maurine
917 N 10th St. Frederick , Ok. 73542

Message from the Website Manager Tom:

I am always interested in the accuracy of our member's list. If there are changes or if you know of anything that needs to be changed, please don't hesitate to call or write to me.

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Until We Meet Again!