The KOREAN War

Honoring Our Korean War
and
Korean Era Veterans

June 27, 1950 – January 31, 1955

Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **IANNUZZELLI**

FRANCIS **J.**

Hometown: LACKAWANNA

Address:

☑ Korean Era

☐ Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank:

Year Entered:

Year Discharged:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

☐ *Served in War Zone*

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Francis J. Iannuzzelli honorably served in the Army National Guard

Base Assignments:

Miscelleaneous:

Francis J. Iannuzzelli passed away on 18 October 2025 at the age of 94 years old and is interred at Holy Cross Cemetery, Lackawanna, New York

The Army National Guard (ARNG) is an organized militia force and a federal military reserve force of the United States Army / It is simultaneously part of two different organizations: the Militia of the United States (consisting of the ARNG of each state, most territories, and the District of Columbia), as well as the federal ARNG, as part of the National Guard as a whole (which includes the Air National Guard) / It is divided into subordinate units stationed in each state or insular area, responsible to their respective governors or other head-of-government

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Name: **IGNASZAK**
EUGENE **F.**

Hometown: WEST SENECA

Address: BOSSE LANE

☑ Korean Era

☐ Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: COAST GUARD

Rank:

Year Entered:

Year Discharged:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

☐ *Served in War Zone*

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Eugene F. Ignaszak honorably served in the United States Coast Guard

Base Assignments:

Miscelleaneous:

Eugene F. Ignaszak passed away on 14 June 2021 at the age of 90 years old and and his remains were cremated

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Name: **IHLE, JR.**

GEORGE **P.**

Hometown: GRAND ISLAND

Address:

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☐ Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: MARINE CORPS

Rank:

Year Entered:

Year Discharged:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

☐ *Served in War Zone*

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

George P. Ihle, Jr. honorably served in the United States Marine Corps for four years

Base Assignments:

Miscelleaneous:

George Ihle graduated from Riverside High School / George P. Ihle, Jr. passed away on 15 February 2021 at the age of 87 years old

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Name: **IRR**

WILLIAM **G.**

Hometown: WILLIAMSVILLE

Address:

☑ Korean Era

☐ Korean War Veteran

Service Branch:

Rank:

Year Entered: 1952

Year Discharged:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL

☐ *Served in War Zone*

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

William G. Irr honorably served in the United States Army / William Irr completed Basic Training at Camp Breckinridge, Kentucky and was assigned as a Wheeled Vehicle Mechanic

William Irr was Honorably Discharged from the U.S. Army on 30 August 1954

Base Assignments:

Camp Breckinridge, Kentucky - Camp Breckinridge was an Army Post constructed in 1942 on 36,000 acres as an infantry training center for up to 40,000 men / The Camp is named after John C. Breckinridge, US Vice President, 1856-60; Confederate Secretary of War, 1865 / The Camp was used during World War II as a Prisoner of War camp (1943-46) for as many as 3,000 enlisted men of the German Army / Camp Breckinridge was deactivated in 1949 and reopened in 1950 during the Korean War and from 1954 to 1963 Camp Breckinridge was used for summer training of 4,500 National Guard troops / In 1963, the Army closed down Camp Breckinridge

Fort Knox, Kentucky - Fort Knox is a United States Army installation in Kentucky, south of Louisville and north of Elizabethtown / It is adjacent to the United States Bullion Depository (also known as Fort Knox), which is used to house a large portion of the United States' official gold reserves / It is named in honor of Henry Knox, Chief of Artillery in the American Revolutionary War and the first United States Secretary of War / A new Armored Force was established in July 1940 with its headquarters at Fort Knox with the 7th Cavalry Brigade becoming the 1st Armored Division / The Armored Force School and the Armored Force Replacement Center were also sited at Fort Knox in October 1940, and their successors remained there until 2010, when the Armor School moved to Fort Benning, Georgia / Fort Knox was the home of the U.S. Army Armor Center and School, and was used by both the Army and the Marine Corps to train crews on the American tanks of the day; the last was the M1 Abrams main battle tank / In 2011, the U.S. Army Armor School moved to Fort Moore, Georgia, where the Infantry School is also based

Miscelleaneous:

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After his military service, William Irr owned and operated Fawn Lake Resort, Bliss, NY for 40 years and was a member of American Legion Post # 1672 / William G. Irr passed away on 8 January 2026 at the age of 94 years old

The National Defense Service Medal (NDSM) is a service award of the United States Armed Forces established by President Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1953 / The National Defense Service Medal (NDSM) was first intended to be a "blanket campaign medal" awarded to service members who served honorably during a designated time period of which a "national emergency" had been declared during a time of war or conflict / It may also be issued to active military members for any other period that the Secretary of Defense designates / Currently, the National Defense Service Medal is the oldest service medal (as opposed to decorations for particular achievements such as valor or meritorious service and Good Conduct Medals) currently awarded by all branches of the United States Armed Forces