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June 27, 1950 – January 31, 1955



Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: NARDOLILLO

Hometown: ORCHARD PARK

CARL

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: E-3

Year Entered: 1953

Year Discharged: 1955

Unit / Squadron:

1505TH SERVICE COMPANY, 21ST INFANTRY REGIMENT, 24TH INFANTRY DIVISION

Medals / Citations:

KOREAN SERVICE MEDAL

UNITED NATIONS SERVICE MEDAL (KOREA)

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Private First-Class Carl Nardolillo honorably served in the United States Army / PFC Carl Nardolillo served 17 months of active duty in South Korea

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Carl Nardolillo passed away on 15 November 2021 at the age of 88 years old and is interred at Lakeside Memorial Park Cemetery, Hamburg, New York

The 21st Infantry Regiment ("Gimlet") is a United States Army infantry regiment / The 1st Battalion currently exists as part of 2nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division and the 3rd Battalion of the 1st Infantry Brigade Combat Team 11th Airborne Division / The regiment fought in World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War, as well as Operation Iraqi Freedom / Task Force Smith, the first American unit to see action in the Korean War, was derived from the regiment's 1st Battalion

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United Nations Service Medal (Korea) is awarded to any military service member, of an Armed Force allied with South Korea, who participated in the defense of South Korea from North Korea between the dates of 27 June 1950 and 27 July 1954

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



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Name: NAUGHTON

Hometown: ELMA

ROY

C.

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: SGT

Year Entered:

Year Discharged:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Sergeant Roy C. Naughton honorably served in the United States Army

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:



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Name: **NEENAN**
JAMES

Hometown: BUFFALO

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:** KOREA

Service Notes:

James Neenan honorably served in the United States Army / James Neenan was deployed to Korea

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

James Neenan graduated from the University of Buffalo / Neenan was Physical Education teacher in the West Seneca school system, coaching tennis, football and track / James Neenan also coached the St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute football and tennis teams / James Neenan passed away on 30 January 2026 at the age of 96 years old



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Name: NELSON

Hometown: WEST SENECA

DEVERE

G.

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: AIR FORCE

Rank:

Year Entered:

Year Discharged:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** KOREA

Service Notes:

DeVere G. "Sonny" Nelson honorably served in the United States Air Force and was deployed to Korea

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

After his Honorable Discharge from the United States Air Force, DeVere Nelson worked for the B&O Railroad and retired from the Ford Stamping Plant / Nelson moved to DuBois, Pennsylvania after his retirement / DeVere G. "Sonny" Nelson passed away on 23 October 2022 at the age of 88 years old and is interred at Lakeside Cemetery, Hamburg, New York



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Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: NEUNER

Hometown: BUFFALO

JOSEPH L.

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: CPL

Year Entered: 1950

Year Discharged: 1952

Unit / Squadron:

1816TH SASEBO REPLACEMENT DEPOT

Medals / Citations:

KOREAN SERVICE MEDAL W/3 BRONZE STARS

UNITED NATIONS SERVICE MEDAL

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Corporal Joseph Ludwig Neuner honorably served in the United States Army and was deployed to Korea

Base Assignments:

U.S. Fleet Activities Sasebo is a United States Navy base, in Sasebo, Japan, on the island of Kyūshū / It provides facilities for the logistic support of forward-deployed units and visiting operating forces of the United States Pacific Fleet and designated tenant activities

Miscellaneous:

Joseph Ludwig Neuner was a self-employed Merchandise Manager prior to getting inducted into the U.S. Army on 12 December 1950 / Joseph Nuener was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars VFW Post #2940

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Name: **NEWCOMER**
RICHARD

Hometown: GRAND ISLAND

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:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Richard Newcomer honorably served in the United States Army / Richard Newcomer was deployed to Korea and assigned as a Mechanic

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Richard Newcomer was employed at Buffalo Forge as a Balancer for 38 years retiring in 1991 / Richard Newcomer passed away on 8 February 2018 at the age of 83 years old



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Name: NEWKIRK

Hometown: HAMBURG

DONALD

N.

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: PFC

Year Entered: 1951

Year Discharged: 1953

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:**

Service Notes:

Private First-Class Donald Norman Newkirk honorably served in the United States Army / PFC Donald Newkirk was Active Duty for 2 years and then served in the Army Ready Reserve (Active) until his discharge in 1957

PFC Donald Newkirk received his Honorable Discharge from the United States Army (Regular) on 17 April 1953 and his Honorable Discharge from the Army Ready Reserve on 22 March 1957

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Donald Norman Newkirk passed away on 4 January 2018 at the age of 88 years old and is interred at Lakeside Cemetery, Hamburg, New York

The United States Army Reserve (USAR) is a reserve force of the United States Army / Together, the Army Reserve and the Army National Guard constitute the Army element of the reserve components of the United States Armed Forces / Army Reserve Soldiers receive the same training as active-duty Soldiers / Army Reserve Soldiers combine civilian experience with military training to provide specialized skills for military missions around the world / The reserve components of the United States Armed Forces are military organizations whose members generally perform a minimum of 39 days of military duty per year and who augment the active duty military when necessary



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Name: **NEWMAN**

Hometown: BUFFALO

FRANK

H.

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: E-4

Year Entered: 1952

Year Discharged: 1954

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Corporal Frank H. Newman honorably served in the United States Army / CPL Frank Newman was deployed to Korea as a Heavy Vehicle Operator

CPL Frank Newman was Honorably Discharged from the United States Army on 25 February 1954

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Frank H. Newman passed away on 20 December 2019 at the age of 88 years old and is interred at Elmlawn Cemetery, Buffalo, New York



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Name: NICOSIA, JR.

Hometown: WEST SENECA

EMANUEL N.

Address:

- Korean Era
- Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: PO

Year Entered:

Year Discharged:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Petty Officer Emanuel N. Nicosia, Jr. honorably served in the United States Navy / PO Emanuel Nicosia was deployed to Korea

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Emanuel N. Nicosia, Jr. Passed away on 13 February 2024 at the age of 94 years old and is interred at Mount Calvary Cemetery, Cheektowaga, New York



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Name: NICOTRA, SR.

Hometown: DEPEW

THOMAS J.

Address:

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:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Thomas J. Nicotra, Sr. honorably served in the United States Coast Guard and was deployed to Korea

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Thomas J. Nicotra, Sr. passed away on 14 March 2023 at the age of 89 years old



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Name: NIVER

Hometown: HAMBURG

DAVID

A.

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: AIR FORCE

Rank:

Year Entered:

Year Discharged:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:**

Service Notes:

David A. Niver honorably served in the United States Air Force

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

After receiving his Honorable Discharge from the United States Air Force, David Niver attended the University of Buffalo / After graduation, Niver went to work for Bethlehem Steel in Lackawanna, retiring in 1991 / Niver also worked at Home Depot until the age of 91 years old / David A. Niver passed away on 7 August 2023 at the age of 93 years old and is interred at Hillcrest Cemetery, Hamburg, New York



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Name: NOSKY

Hometown: BUFFALO

DONALD E.

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: MA

Year Entered: 1949

Year Discharged: 1952

Unit / Squadron:

U.S.S. KERMIT ROOSEVELT (ARG-16)

Medals / Citations:

KOREAN DEFENSE MEDAL W/2 SERVICE STARS

UNITED NATIONS SERVICE MEDAL

NAVY OCCUPATION SERVICE MEDAL

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Machinery Repairman Second-Class Donald Edward Nosky honorably served in the United States Navy / MR2 Donald Nosky was deployed to Korea

Base Assignments:

Naval Training Center- San Diego, California - Naval Training Center San Diego (NTC San Diego) (1923–1997) is a former United States Navy base located at the north end of San Diego Bay, commonly known as "boot camp" / Throughout its 70-year history as a military base, the mission of Naval Training Center (NTC) San Diego was to provide primary, advanced, and specialized training for members of the U.S. Navy and U.S. Naval Reserve / During World War II the base housed up to 33,000 men, of whom 25,000 were recruits / In the postwar period, the base population dropped to a low of 5,800 men; but the base reached a peak population of 40,000 during the Korean War / The end of the Cold War led to military downsizing and the need to close surplus bases / In 1993, the federal Base Realignment and Closure Commission slated NTC for closure / The southernmost portion of the base was not closed but was retained by the military under the control of Naval Base Point Loma / Facilities still in military use include a medical clinic, a small Navy Exchange store and a gas station / In addition, 500 units of military housing were constructed

Miscellaneous:

Donald Edward Nosky passed away on 16 Dec 1996 at the age of 67 years old and is interred at Lancaster Rural Cemetery, Lancaster, New York

USS Kermit Roosevelt (ARG-16) was a Luzon -class internal combustion engine repair ship that saw service in the United States Navy during World War II. She was the only U.S. Naval vessel to be named for Kermit Roosevelt I, the second son of President Theodore Roosevelt and a soldier who served in two world wars / Commissioned on 31 May 1945, the Kermit Roosevelt made four deployments to the Far East between 10 July 1950 and 23 October 1953 / Operating out of Sasebo,



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Japan, she repaired ships engaged in the Korean War and in the Strait of Formosa / From 10 October to 27 November 1950 she supported Task Group 95.6 at Wonsan, Korea, and during 13–23 December 1950, she performed similar duty at Hungnam for ships of Task Group 79.2 / While operating out of Pusan from 7 August to 16 September 1953, she helped salvage the SS Cornhusker Marine / The Kermit Roosevelt was decommissioned on 31 October and entered the Pacific Reserve Fleet / Her name was struck from the Naval Vessel Register on 1 January 1960, and she transferred to the Maritime Administration 23 June / On 25 August 1960 she was sold to Zidell Explorations, Inc. for scrap / Kermit Roosevelt received three battle stars for Korean War service

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The Navy Occupation Service Medal is a military award of the United States Navy which was "Awarded to commemorate the services of Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard personnel in the occupation of certain territories of the enemies of the U.S. during World War II" and recognized those personnel who participated in the European and Asian occupation forces during, and following World War II / The medal was also bestowed to personnel who performed duty in West Berlin between 1945 and 1990



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Name: **NOVOA**

Hometown: EDEN

DAVID

A.

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: MARINE CORPS

Rank:

Year Entered: 1952

Year Discharged: 1954

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:** KOREA

Service Notes:

David A. Novoa honorably served in the United States Marine Corps and was deployed to Korea

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

David Novoa moved to Inverness, Florida after his retirement / David A. Novoa passed away on 19 June 2019 and is interred at East Eden Cemetery, Eden, New York



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Name: NOWAK

Hometown: BUFFALO

NORMAN E.

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:

Norman E. Nowak honorably served in the United States Army

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

After his Honorable Discharge from the United States Army, Norman Nowak joined the Buffalo Police Department, later moving to the United States Border Patrol and the US Customs and Immigration Service, where he retired / Norman E. Nowak passed away on 31 August 2023 at the age of 91 years old and is interred at Forest Lawn Cemetery, Buffalo, New York



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Name: **NOWICKI**

Hometown: LANCASTER

EDWARD J.

Address:

Korean Era

Korean War Veteran

Service Branch: AIR FORCE

Rank:

Year Entered:

Year Discharged:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Served in War Zone **Theater of Operations / Assignment:**

Service Notes:

Edward J. Nowicki honorably served in the United States Air Force

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Edward J. Nowicki passed away on 18 April 2024 at the age of 92 years old



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Name: **NOWINSKI, JR.**
WALTER

Hometown: LANCASTER

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:

Walter Nowinski, Jr. honorably served in the United States Army

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Walter Nowinski, Jr. passed away on 15 July 2024 at the age of 95 years old and is interred at Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Cheektowaga, New York



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Name: NOWORYTA

Hometown: CHEEKTOWAGA

DONALD

W.

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:** KOREA

Service Notes:

Donald W. Noworyta honorably served in the United States Army and was deployed to Korea

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Donald W. Noworyta passed away on 11 September 2023 at the age of 88 years old and is interred at Mr. Calvary Cemetery, Cheektowaga, New York



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Name: NUWER, SR.

Hometown: DEPEW

JAMES

A.

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:** KOREA

Service Notes:

James A. Nuwer, Sr. honorably served in the United States Army

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

James A. Nuwer, Sr. passed away on 29 November 1984 at the age of 53 years old and is interred at Lancaster Rural Cemetery, Lancaster, New York