



West Seneca Answers the Call to Arms Residents in World War II



Town of West Seneca, New York

Name: **NAMIOTKO**

WALTER D.

Address: 106 CHAMBERLIN DRIVE

Service Branch: ARMY - AIR FORCE **Rank:** PFC

Unit / Squadron:

FLIGHT 2, SECTION "C"

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Private First-Class

Base Assignments:

Las Vegas Army Air Field (Las Vegas, Nevada) - The facility, which opened in 1942, provided training to pilots and instruction on handling machine guns mounted on the B-17 Flying Fortress, the B-24 Liberator and, later, the B-29 Super Fortress

Miscellaneous:

The B-29 Superfortress is a four-engine propeller-driven heavy bomber designed by Boeing that was flown primarily by the United States toward the end of World War II / It was one of the largest aircraft to have seen service during World War II and a very advanced bomber for its time, with features such as a pressurized cabin, an electronic fire-control system, and remote-controlled machine-gun turrets / One of the B-29's final roles during World War II was carrying out the atomic bomb attacks on Hiroshima and Nagasaki



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Name: **NAWOTKA**

J.

W.

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

(NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE)



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Name: **NAWOTKA JR.**

L.

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

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Name: **NAWROCKE**

CHARLES

R.

Address: 3468 CLINTON STREET

Service Branch: ARMY - AIR FORCE

Rank: CPL

Unit / Squadron:

4TH ENGINEERS, 4TH A.D.G. (AIRCRAFT DELIVERY GROUP)

Medals / Citations:

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN RIBBON

2 BATTLE STARS

GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

PACIFIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Corporal Charles R. Nawrocke was assigned to the Headquarters Squadron, Far Eastern Air Service Command and received his Battle Stars during the invasion and liberation of New Guinea and the Philippine Islands

Cpl Nawrocke shipped overseas on the USS Mount Vernon and returned to the United States on the APA Gage and a Douglas C-54 Skymaster transport aircraft

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

The USS Mt. Vernon was a troop transport ship commissioned USS Mount Vernon (AP-22), 16 June 1941 / During World War II, the USS Mount Vernon operated in both the European and Pacific Theaters / Decommissioned 18 January 1946

The USS Gage (APA-168) was an attack transport named after Gage County, Nebraska / During World War II USS Gage was assigned to the Asiatic-Pacific Theater and ferried troops throughout the Pacific and returned troops back to the United States / The Gage joined in the initial assault on Okinawa on 1 April 1945 under the cover of heavy U.S. naval gun and plane bombardment Commissioned on 12 November 1944 and decommissioned on 26 February 1947

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Name: NAZZARETT

DANIEL

B.

Address: 1934 UNION ROAD

Service Branch: ARMY - AIR FORCE

Rank: 2ND LT.

Unit / Squadron:

376TH FIGHTER SQUADRON, 361ST FIGHTER GROUP

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL PURPLE HEART
AIR MEDAL W/OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Second Lieutenant Daniel B. Nazzarett was commissioned as an officer on 28 May 1943 and assigned to the Eighth Army Air Force based in England / On 22 February 1944, Lieutenant Nazzarett was reported missing in action over Holland when the Thunderbolt fighter he was piloting failed to return to base after escorting bombers over German occupied Europe

Lieutenant Daniel B. Nazzarett was later reclassified as Killed in Action (KIA)

Lieutenant Daniel B. Nazzarett is buried at Netherlands American Cemetery (Margraten, Netherlands)

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Daniel B. Nazzarett attended St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute and was employed as an automobile sales manager before enlisting in the military

The 361st Fighter Group served primarily in the European Theatre of World War II and assigned to the Eighth Air Force fighter unit stationed in England / The 361st Group claimed 226 air and 105 ground aircraft destroyed / The 361st Fighter Group its last mission on 20 April 1945

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ribbon throughout the entire Second World War

The Purple Heart was instituted in 1782 by George Washington and is the first and oldest military American decoration / The Purple Heart is awarded to military service members wounded or killed in action, in the latter case posthumously

The Air Medal is awarded to anyone who, while serving in any capacity in or with the Armed Forces of the United States, and has distinguished themselves by meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight / Subsequent awards are annotated with the traditional oak leaf clusters



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Name: **NELSON**

WALLACE C.

Address: 89 CHAMBERLIN DRIVE

Service Branch: MARINE CORPS

Rank: S/SGT

Unit / Squadron:

MARINE AIR STATION

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Staff Sergeant

Base Assignments:

Cherry Point, North Carolina - Congress authorized Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point on July 9, 1941 / On May 20, 1942, the facility was commissioned Cunningham Field, named in honor of the Marine Corps' first aviator, Lieutenant Colonel Alfred A. Cunningham / The completed facility was later renamed Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, after a local post office situated among cherry trees / Cherry Point's primary World War II mission was to train units and individual Marines for service to the Pacific theater / The air station also served as a base for anti-submarine operations

Miscellaneous:

Since its activation, the Marine air station's mission was to maintain and operate facilities and provide "services and material to support forces of the Navy and other activities and units, as designated by the Chief of Naval Operations" / With its roughly 850 active duty service members, it was the largest squadron in the Marine Corps / The squadron supported a multitude of services at Cherry Point, ranging from administration, logistics, law enforcement, air traffic control, aircraft rescue and firefighting, legal, food service, religious service, and many others / They have helped to prepare America's premiere warfighters by providing and constantly managing outstanding living and training facilities



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Name: **NEMMO**

JAMES

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

(NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE)



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Name: NENICHELLI

J.

V.

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

(NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE)



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Name: **NENNER**

FRANCIS

H.

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

(NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE)



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Name: **NENNO**

PETER

J.

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

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Name: **NEWELL**

ROBERT J.

Address: 3865 SENECA STREET

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: M/SGT

Unit / Squadron:

837TH GAS SUPPLY COMPANY

102ND INFANTRY DIVISION

1ST ARMY, 3RD ARMY, 7TH ARMY, 9TH ARMY

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL
W/3 BRONZE STARS

AMERICAN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

WORLD WAR II VICTORY MEDAL

GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Master Sergeant

Base Assignments:

Camp Swift, Texas - Camp Swift was built in 1942 and named after Eben Swift, a World War I commander and author / Camp Swift was an Infantry training facility and also used to train combat nurses / Infantry training for European bound troops took advantage of the Colorado River near Camp Swift to practice river assaults and crossings / The camp also served as a Prisoner-of-War (POW) camp, where it housed mostly German soldiers captured from Rommel's elite Afrika Corp

Miscellaneous:

Infantry refers to soldiers moving and fighting on foot, armed with hand weapons such as rifles, machine guns, grenades, mortars, etc.

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The American Campaign Medal/Ribbon (also known as the (ATO) American Theater of Operations Ribbon) was a military award of the United States Armed Forces which was first created on November 6, 1942 by President Franklin D. Roosevelt / The ribbon was intended to recognize those military service members who had performed military duty in the American Theater of Operations during World War II / The requirements for the American Campaign Ribbon were for service within the American Theater between 7 December 1941 and 2 March 1946 / The American Campaign Medal was issued as a service ribbon only for the entirety of the Second World War, and was only made a full-sized medal in 1947

The World War II Victory Medal was first issued as a service ribbon referred to as the "Victory Ribbon" / By 1946, a full medal had been established which was referred to as the World War II Victory Medal / The medal commemorates military service during World War II and is awarded to any member of the United States military, including members of the armed forces of the Government of the Philippine Islands, who served on active duty, or as a reservist, between 7 December 1941 and 31 December 1946

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Name: **NEWMAN**

CONRAD

B.

Address:

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: T/5

Unit / Squadron:

COMPANY "L", 358TH INFANTRY REGIMENT

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Technician Fifth-Grade (Corporal)

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

The 358th Infantry Regiment was activated in March 1942 and took part in the campaigns for Normandy, Northern France, the Rhineland, Ardennes-Alsace and Central Europe / The 358th Infantry regiment received a Presidential Unit Citation for its action at the Ardennes Forest

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Name: **NEWMAN**

EDWARD

M.

Address:

Service Branch: ARMY - AIR FORCE

Rank: S/SGT

Unit / Squadron:

394TH SERVICE SQUADRON

823RD AIR ENGINEERING SQUADRON, 34TH AIR DEPOT

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

AMERICAN DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL

WORLD WAR II VICTORY MEDAL

GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Staff-Sergeant Edward M. Newman was stationed at Air Fields in England and Germany

Base Assignments:

Royal Air Force Station Martlesham Heath (Suffolk, England) - In 1943, Martlesham Heath became one of a group of grass-surfaced airfields earmarked for use by fighters of the United States Army Air Forces / Fighters from the air station engaged primarily in bombing and strafing missions after January 1944, with its targets including U-boat installations, barges, shipyards, aerodromes, hangars, marshalling yards, locomotives, trucks, oil facilities, flak towers, and radar stations

Landsberg-Lech Air Base (Landsberg am Lech, Germany) - In 1945, a U.S. Armored Division swept into the area on 28 April 1945 and occupied the former German air base

Miscellaneous:

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The American Defense Service Medal (also referred to as the Pre-Pearl Harbor Ribbon) was a military award of the United States Armed Forces intended to recognize those military service members who had performed military duty between 8 September 1939 and 7 December 1941



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Name: NICHOLSON

DAVID

C.

Address: 138 DUERSTEIN STREET

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank: SC. 2/C

Unit / Squadron:

C.B.M.U. 597 (CONSTRUCTION BATTALION MAINTENANCE UNIT)

38TH NAVAL CONSTRUCTION BATTALION

Medals / Citations:

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN RIBBON W/1 BATTLE STAR

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

PACIFIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Ship's Cook Second-Class David C. Nicholson was stationed at Seabee bases on Tinian Island (Mariana Islands), Iwo Jima, Guam and Japan

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Cooks prepared and served hot meals on board ship and on land / Cooks knew how to bake a variety of breads, cakes and pies, or how to cook dehydrated products / They were trained in everything from butchery to preserving meat and how to organize the serving of the food and clean utensils / Even in wartime, traditional holiday dinners, like Thanksgiving and Christmas, were served to our nation's Sailors deployed off foreign shores or in combat theaters

Seabees: After the attack on Pearl Harbor on 7 December 1941, the use of civilian labor in war zones became impractical so the Navy created Construction Battalions (from which the abbreviation "C.B." became Seabees) / The Seabees have a history of building bases, bulldozing and paving thousands of miles of roadway and airstrips, bridges, roads, gasoline storage tanks, and Quonset huts for warehouses, hospitals, and housing / During the Second World War, the Seabees performed in both the Atlantic and Pacific Theaters of Operation

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Name: NICKOLIA

HOWARD

F.

Address: 14 WINEGAR PLACE

Service Branch: NAVY

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

U.S.N.T.C., COMPANY 4-30 (UNITED STATES NAVAL TRAINING CENTER)

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Camp Sampson, New York - In the three-and-a-half years of its operation during World War II, the Sampson Naval Training Station trained 411,429 naval recruits before closing in 1946 / The camp was named in honor of a local Seneca County native, Rear Admiral William T. Sampson, from Palmyra, New York, a hero of the Battle of Santiago during the Spanish-American War

Miscellaneous:

Naval Training Centers introduced recruits to "boot camp" training and indoctrination / The recruits were given a battery of tests to determine their educational and skill levels, then trained in indoctrination, ordnance and gunnery, seamanship, fire fighting, physical training, military drill and shipboard duties



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Name: NISCHICK

EUGENE

A.

Address:

Service Branch: ARMY - AIR FORCE

Rank: CPL

Unit / Squadron:

SECTION 1-8, 2135TH A.A.F. BASE UNIT

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Corporal

Base Assignments:

Tyndall Field, Florida - Located 12 miles east of Panama City, Florida, Tyndall Field was opened on 13 January 1941 as a gunnery range / The airfield was named in honor of 1st Lt Frank Benjamin Tyndall (1894–1930) / Lieutenant Tyndall was a World War I pilot, Silver Star recipient, and commander of the 22d Aero Squadron / Lieutenant Tyndall shot down six enemy airplanes in combat over France during World War I / He was killed on 15 July 1930 near Mooresville, North Carolina, in the crash of a Curtiss P-1 Hawk / A Gunnery School was opened in 1942 and graduated thousands of military students during World War II / In 1943, the school was opened to the French and Chinese military for gunnery training

Miscellaneous:



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Name: **NOODY, SR.**

ROBERT

B.

Address: 48 BURCH AVENUE

Service Branch: MARINE CORPS

Rank: PFC

Unit / Squadron:

U.S. NAVAL HOSPITAL

1ST MARINES

Medals / Citations:

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN RIBBON

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

PACIFIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Private First-Class Robert B. Noody, Sr. participated in the Guadalcanal and Guam campaigns

PFC Noody was chosen to help guard the Declaration of Independence when it was brought out of storage from Fort Knox / A dedication ceremony was held on 13 April 1943 at the 200th anniversary of Thomas Jefferson's birth at the dedication of the Jefferson Memorial

PFC Robert Noody has the privilege of shaking hands with President Franklin D. Roosevelt

Private First Class Robert Noody was later deployed with the 1st Marines in Northern China after the Japanese surrender in September 1945 / Noody became ill and was sent to the US Naval Hospital in Yosemite National Park to recover

Base Assignments:

Yosemite National Park, California - The Yosemite Park Company leased the Ahwahnee Hotel to the Navy during World War II for use as a hospital to treat injured sailors and Marines

Miscellaneous:

Robert B. Noody served many years on the West Seneca adult education school board and was a former Boy Scout leader of Troops 414 and 415 of West Seneca / Robert B. Noody, Sr. passed away in 26 July 2011 at 86 years of age

The 1st Marine Division is the oldest and largest active duty division in the United States Marine Corps / The 1st Marine Division was activated aboard the USS Texas on 1 February 1941 and the division's units were scattered over the Pacific / The 1st Marines participated in the battles of Guadalcanal, Cape Gloucester, Peleliu and



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Okinawa / Following the surrender of Japan, the division was sent to Northern China as the lead combat element of the III Amphibious Corps with the primary mission of repatriating more than 650,000 Japanese soldiers and civilians still resident in that part of China / With the Chinese Civil War between the Kuomintang and Chinese Communist Party raging around them, the Marines were charged with guarding supply trains, bridges, and depots to keep food and coal moving into the cities / During this time they increasingly fought skirmishes with soldiers from the People's Liberation Army who saw the railways and other infrastructure as attractive targets to ambush, raid, and harass

In the years from 30 June 1943 to 30 June 1945 the Medical Department trained 189 General Hospitals, 74 Field Hospitals and 61 Station Hospitals for overseas service / In 1945, when the peak of overseas shipments occurred, the War Department sent 81 General, 35 Field, and 8 Station Hospitals to the various Theaters of Operations (European, African and Asiatic-Pacific) / By May 1945, when the peak in Hospital beds overseas was reached, there were 335,000 fixed beds and about 87,000 mobile beds in all Theaters



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Name: **NOVORITA**

JOHN

J.

Address: 56 AURORA AVENUE

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: PVT

Unit / Squadron:

COMPANY "C", 6TH BATTALION, 1ST PLATOON, CLERK'S SCHOOL

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Private

Base Assignments:

Camp Wheeler, Georgia - Camp was named for Joseph Wheeler, a general in the Confederate States of America's Army / Camp Wheeler was as an infantry replacement center from 1940 to 1945 where new recruits received basic and advanced individual training to replace combat casualties / A 1,000-bed hospital and a prisoner-of-war camp were also included in the World War II camp

Miscellaneous:



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Name: NOWICKI

EDMUND

C.

Address: 180 WESTMINSTER ROAD

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: PVT

Unit / Squadron:

90TH SIGNAL CORP

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Private

Base Assignments:

Camp Barkeley, Texas - Camp Barkeley was a large United States Army training installation located eleven miles southwest of Abilene, Texas / The base was named after David B. Barkley, a Medal of Honor recipient during World War I (a clerical error is believed to have caused the spelling discrepancy) / The 45th Infantry Division, Ninetieth Infantry Division and the Eleventh and Twelfth Armored divisions trained at Camp Barkeley / At its peak, in March 1945, the POW camp housed 840 German prisoners / Camp Barkeley was officially closed in September 1945 and dismantled

Miscellaneous:

The United States Army Signal Corps was established in 1860 and was used in World War II to coordinate swift and accurate communication for air, ground, and naval units required more sophisticated technology and service / The Signal Corps developed, tested, provided, and managed communications and information systems support for the command and control of combined arms forces / The Signal Corps pioneered in the development of radar to detect approaching aircraft as well as mobile communications and deciphering machines / In addition to its primary role in military transmissions, the unit also played a key role in producing training films for army and civilian personnel, and documenting combat missions / During World War II, noted Hollywood producers, directors, and photographers (such as Darryl Zanuck, Frank Capra, John Huston, and George Stevens) all served in the Signal Corps



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Name: **NOWORYTA**

JOHN

J.

Address:

Service Branch: ARMY

Rank: T/4

Unit / Squadron:

ADJUTANT GENERAL DIVISION

Medals / Citations:

EUROPEAN-AFRICAN-MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL

2 BATTLE STARS

WORLD WAR II VICTORY MEDAL

MARKSMANSHIP BADGE: MARKSMAN

GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

NORTH AFRICAN THEATER / EUROPEAN THEATER

Service Notes:

Technician Fourth-Grade (Sergeant) John J. Noworyta fought in the battles for Northern France and the Rhineland, earning him 2 Battle Stars

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

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A Marksmanship Badge is a military badge of the United States Armed Forces presented to personnel upon



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successful completion of a weapons qualification course or high placement in an official marksmanship competition / The U.S. Military's Marksmanship Qualification Badges are awarded in three grades (highest to lowest): Expert, Sharpshooter, and Marksman

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Name: NOWORYTS

J.

J.

Address:

Service Branch:

Rank:

Unit / Squadron:

Medals / Citations:

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

Service Notes:

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

(NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE)



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Name: NUWER

FRANCIS X.

Address: 3992 SENECA STREET

Service Branch: MARINE CORPS

Rank: CPL

Unit / Squadron:

V.M.B. 413 (FIXED-WING MARINE BOMBING SQUADRON)

Medals / Citations:

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN RIBBON

PURPLE HEART

Theater of Operations / Assignment:

PACIFIC THEATER

Service Notes:

Private First-Class Francis X. Nuwer was reported Missing in Action (MIA) on 22 March 1942 and latter reclassified as Killed in Action (KIA) on 23 March 1945 while attached to the Pacific Marine Air Squadron in the Solomon Islands

Corporal First-Class Francis X. Nuwer was interred in the Manilla American Cemetery (Manila, Philippines)

Base Assignments:

Miscellaneous:

Marine Bombing Squadron 413 (VMB-413) was a United States Marine Corps medium bomber squadron during World War II. The squadron flew PBJ medium bombers which were the naval version of the B-25 Mitchell / The basic tactical and administrative unit of United States Marine Corps aviation is the squadron / Fixed-wing aircraft squadrons (heavier than air) are denoted by the letter "V", which comes from the French verb "Voler" (to fly)

The Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Ribbon (Medal) was a military awarded to any member of the United States Military who served in the Pacific Theater from 1941 to 1945

The Purple Heart was instituted in 1782 by George Washington and is the first and oldest military American decoration / The Purple Heart is awarded to military service members wounded or killed in action, in the latter case posthumously