



Veteran's Release Form

TO BE COMPLETED BY VETERAN OR CIVILIAN

(In cases of deceased veterans, to be completed by the donor of the material.)

I, JAMES A ROSE, am a participant in the Veterans History Project (hereinafter "VHP"). I understand that the purpose of the VHP is to collect audio- and video-taped oral histories of America's war veterans and of those who served in support of them as well as selected related documentary materials (such as photographs and manuscripts) that may be deposited in the permanent collections of the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress. The deposited documentary materials will serve as a record of American veterans' wartime experiences; and may be used for scholarly and educational purposes. I understand that the American Folklife Center plans to retain the product of my participation as part of its permanent collection and that the materials may be used for exhibition, publication, presentation on the World Wide Web and successor technologies, and for promotion of the Library of Congress and its activities in any medium.

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ACCEPTED AND AGREED

Signature X James A. Rose Date 12/23/03
Printed Name JAMES A ROSE month/day/year
Address 831 NORTHGATE
City TOLEDO State OH ZIP 43612
Telephone (419) - 476 0093

Interviewer's Release Form

TO BE COMPLETED BY INTERVIEWERS, RECORDING OPERATORS, AND PHOTOGRAPHERS

I, ANDREW FISHER, am a participant in the Veterans History Project (hereinafter "VHP"). I understand that the purpose of the VHP is to collect audio- and video-recorded oral histories of America's war veterans and of those who served in support of them as well as selected related documentary materials such as photographs and manuscripts that may be deposited in the permanent collections of the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress. The deposited documentary materials will serve as a record of American veterans' wartime experiences; and may be used for scholarly and educational purposes. I understand that the American Folklife Center plans to retain the product of my participation as part of its permanent collection and that the materials may be used for exhibition, publication, presentation on the World Wide Web and successor technologies, and for promotion of the Library of Congress and its activities in any medium.

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ACCEPTED AND AGREED

Signature [Handwritten Signature] Date 12/23/03
month/day/year
Printed Name ANDREW FISHER
Signature of Parent or Guardian (if interviewer is a minor) _____ Date _____
month/day/year
Printed Name of Parent or Guardian _____
Address 7455 CLUB ROAD
City SYLVANIA State OH ZIP 43080 ~~43560~~
Telephone (419) - 882 1945
Relationship to veteran/civilian _____

12/23/03

Biographical Data Form

Everyone who records interviews in connection with the Veterans History Project, including Official Partners who are retaining their collections or depositing them in a local archive or library, must fill out this form to ensure that interviewed veterans or civilians appear in our national catalog honoring their service and participation.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Veteran/Civilian JAMES A ROSE
first middle last maiden name

Address 831 NORTHGATE

City TOLEDO State OH ZIP 43612

Telephone (419) - 476-0093 Email -

Place of Birth TOLEDO OH Birth Date 7/3/24
month/day/year

Male Female Race/Ethnicity (optional) _____

Branch of Service or Wartime Activity US ARMY

Battalion, Regiment, Division, etc. 42ND DIV 242ND REGT MEDIC

Highest Rank PFC

Date(s) of Enlistment/Service 3/8/43 to 1/29/46

War(s) in which individual served WORLD WAR II

Locations of military or civilian service CAMP WHITE, OREGON EUROPEAN
THEATER

Did the veteran or civilian sustain combat or service-related injuries? Yes No

Was the veteran a prisoner-of-war? Yes No

Medals or special service awards. If so, please list:

GOOD CONDUCT - ADVANCED PATRIOT - EUROPEAN/AFRICAN COMBAT WITH
2 BRONZE STARS - VICTORY MEDAL - GERMAN OCCUPATION - BRONZE
STAR WITH ONE LEAF CLUSTER - COMBAT MEDIC BADGE

Are photographs included? Yes No (If yes, please complete the Photograph Log in this kit.)

Are manuscripts included? Yes No (If yes, please complete the Manuscript Data Sheet in this kit.)

Does the veteran or civilian have field maps Yes No or wartime-related home movies Yes No

that he or she would like to share with the Library of Congress? (If yes, we will contact you shortly.)

Please use reverse for additional biographical information.

Audio and Video Recording Log

1. Name and address of collector or interviewer.

Name of Collector/Interviewer ANDREW FISHER
 Address 7455 CLUB ROAD
 City SYLVANIA State OH ZIP 43560
 Telephone (419) - 882 1945 Email ALFISHER@people.pc.com
 Organization or Affiliation (if any) UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO

2. Full name and birth date of the veteran or civilian being interviewed as it appears on the recording label and Biographical Data Form.

Name of Veteran/Civilian JAMES A ROSE Birth Date 7/3/24
month/day/year

3. Recording format (please check)

VIDEO type: Betacam VHS 8mm High-8 Digital Other _____ (identify)
 AUDIO type: Cassette Microcassette CD Reel Digital (DAT) _____ (identify)
 If audio, is the cassette or reel recorded on both sides? Yes No
 Is item: Original Copy

4. Date of Recording 12/23/03
 Estimated length of recording (in minutes) 55

5. Location of recording TOLEDO OHIO

6. Corresponding materials (please check)

Have you included materials other than the recording? Yes No
 If so, please complete the Photograph Log and/or the Manuscript Data Sheet.

7. Please summarize the topics discussed in the interview in their order of appearance on the recording.

Meter Reading or Minute Mark	Topics presented in order of discussion on recording
<u>0-027</u>	<u>INTRODUCTION</u>
<u>027-034</u>	<u>VOLUNTEERING FOR US ARMY</u>
	<u>BASIC TRAINING CAMP WHITE, OREGON</u>
	<u>ASSIGNED TO 81ST GENERAL HOSPITAL</u>

(Continue on back or on additional sheets as needed.)



Meter Reading
or Minute Mark

Topics presented in order of discussion on recording

- 034-080 BY CONVOY TO EUROPE
LIVERPOOL ENGLAND
- 080-150 SETTING UP A HOSPITAL IN WALES
VOLUNTEERING TO BE AT A MEDIC
AT THE FRONT
ASSIGNED TO RAINBOW DIV. 242ND REG.
CO. I
IN COMBAT
- 150-266 THE ACTION THAT EARNED A BRONZE STAR,
SIX FIVE TIMES INTO A MINEFIELD
TO RESCUE THE WOUNDED
AFTERSHOCK
- 266-499 FURTHER ACTION IN GERMANY
ENTERING MUNICH
RELEASING CARLOADS OF AMERICAN POW'S
DACHAU CONCENTRATION CAMP
IN AUSTRIA AT WARS END
- 499-558 RETURNS TO THE STATES / POST-WAR
ACTIVITIES
- 558-574 RAISING FUNDS FOR WWII MEMORIAL
CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FROM FRANCE
CERTIFICATE FROM PRESIDENT TRUMAN
" FROM CITY OF TOLEDO & LUCAS COUNTY
- 574-610 "WINTER STORM - THE WAR IN ALSACE"
BOOK INCLUDES THE MINEFIELD INCIDENT
- 610-626 A DACHAU MEMOIR - FOREWORD
BY SENATOR LIEBERMAN
- 626-660 THE RAINBOW DIVISION
- 679-691 RETURN TO FRANCE - 1998
- 711-726 CLOSE
- 726-745
- 745-806
- 806-827

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ADDENDUM

Meter Reading
or Minute Mark

Topics presented in order of discussion on recording

ADDENDUM
2/5/05

0-050

MR ROSE MEETS MR.
GEORGE BUSSELL, WHO
HE HAD RESCUED FROM
A MINE FIELD 60 YEARS AGO

Manuscript Data Sheet

Please complete this form when donating letters, diaries, and other printed and handwritten manuscripts to the Veterans History Project. It is to be used in conjunction with the required Checklist, Biographical Data Form, and Veteran's Release Form.

1. Name and address of collector.

Name of Collector/Interviewer ANDREW FISHER
Address 7455 CLUB ROAD
City SYLVANIA State OH ZIP 43560
Telephone (419) - 882 1945 Email ALFISHER@peoplepc.com

2. Full name and life dates (birth–death) of the person about whom the manuscripts relate. In most instances, this person is the veteran or civilian whose name appears on the Biographical Data Form.

JAMES A ROSE 7/3/24

3. Types and dates of manuscripts submitted, for example:

Diary, November 20, 1942–February 17, 1944; Service records, 1951–1953; Letters, 1969–1972; Commendations, 1991; Unpublished memoir, 2001; etc.

1. HONORABLE DISCHARGE 2/11/46
2. CITATION OF BRONZE STAR FROM 42ND DIV. 11/16/45
3. AWARD-BRONZE STAR FROM WAR DEPT 2/12/46
4. LETTER FROM PRESIDENT TRUMAN NO DATE
5. CERTIFICATE/APPRICIATION - GOVT / FRANCE 6/1/02
6. PICTURE MR ROSE AND U.S. REP KAPTUR NO DATE
7. CERTIFICATE APPLICATION TO IDO of LUCAS CITY NO DATE

4. Number of items: 78 Is this an exact or estimated figure?

8. EULOGY of MR JAMES BUSSELL

5. If these items are copies of originals, describe how they were reproduced. Are they transcripts, photocopies, or photographic prints? Identify when the copies were made, and give the name and address of the person or group who holds the originals. Please note that the Veterans History Project encourages you to donate the originals to the Library of Congress or another trusted institution for long-term preservation and for access by researchers. (Continued on back.)

Form(s) of reproduction: PHOTOCOPY

Date(s) reproduced: 12/03

Location of originals: MR JAMES A ROSE - 831 NORTHGATE
TOLEDO OHIO 43612

6. Occupation or type of activity of the principal person represented in the manuscripts, including significant events and dates in his or her career and the place of residence or location of the activity described. If this information is already recorded in the Biographical Data Form, there is no need to repeat it here.

7. Describe the scope and content of the manuscripts by addressing the following:

Please identify by name the writers and recipients of the letters and other documents. What is their relationship to the veteran or civilian whose name appears on the Biographical Data Form?

SEE ITEM 3

What historical time period and theaters of war are covered?

WORLD WAR II

What are the most interesting/important topics and events described in these documents?

ALL HONOR MR ROSE FOR HIS BRAVERY
IN ACTION IN WW II

8. Have any of these materials been published or have copies of them been donated elsewhere? If so, please provide full citation of the publication or the location of the copies.

No

Chaplain's Message

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care the members of the 42nd Infantry Division, Mechanized, the Rainbow Division, as they deploy to Iraq. Defend them by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their daily tasks; give them the courage to face whatever situations they face, and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be. Remember also their loved ones back at home, who wait for their return. May all members of the Rainbow family support those who are deployed and their families at home in any way possible, and may the efforts of all our forces help to establish democracy and peace in Iraq.

Amen.
Norman P. Forde, RDVA Chaplain



Dee Kramer donated her painting of the WWII memorial to the 222 Auxiliary Bazaar. Ivan Wallace won the silent auction. Dee's husband Lou and Ivan served in the same company.

Dachau

Dear Friends:

This is an early notification that there will be 60th Anniversary ceremonies at Dachau on May 1, 2005. Both Dr. Barbara Distel, Director of Dachau Museum and Paul Kerstenne, President of the International Dachau Foundation have invited Rainbow Division Veterans to attend the May 1, 2005 ceremonies at Dachau. More details will be received at later dates and will be circulated, in one form or another, to our veterans.

Best Rainbow regards to all.
Dee R. Eberhart



Can anyone recognize this man? We met at the World War II Memorial. We would like to know his address.

James Rose
831 Northgal
Toledo, OH 43612
Tel. 419-476-0093

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Pacific Palisades, CA 90272
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Ely, IA 52227
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orge Van Allen, 1108 Smith St.,
Piscataway, NJ 08854
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On Back is the Story

IN REPLY REFER TO
ARPC-SFE-B1/L8
ROSE JAMES A
TLRMJBD

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
ARPERCEN
ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI 63132-6200

AUTHORIZATION FOR ISSUANCE OF AWARDS
 For use of this form, see AR 672-5-1; the proponent agency is ODCSPER

2. TO: Commander
 U.S. Army Support Activity
 Philadelphia, PA 19101-3460

4. DATE **25 JUNE 1997**

4. CODE NUMBERS FOR AWARDS

1	Medal of Honor	17	Joint Service Achievement Medal	33	Medal for Humane Action	49	Expert Field Medical Badge
2	Distinguished Service Cross	18	Army Achievement Medal	34	National Defense Service Medal	50	Letter "V" Device
3	Defense Distinguished Service Medal	19	POW Medal	35	Korean Service Medal	51	Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster
4	Distinguished Service Medal	20	Good Conduct Medal	36	Antarctica Service Medal	52	Bronze Service Star
5	Silver Star	21	Presidential Unit Emblem	37	Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal	53	Bronze Arrowhead
6	Defense Superior Service Medal	22	Meritorious Unit Emblem	38	Vietnam Service Medal	54	French Fourragere
7	Legion of Merit	23	Joint Meritorious Unit Emblem	39	Humanitarian Service Medal	55	Belgian Fourragere
8	Distinguished Flying Cross	24	Valorous Unit Emblem	40	Armed Forces Reserve Medal	56	Netherlands Orange Lanyard
9	Soldier's Medal	25	Army Superior Unit Emblem	41	Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal	57	Philippine Defense Ribbon
10	Bronze Star Medal	26	Women's Army Corps Service Medal	42	NCO Professional Development Ribbon	58	Philippine Liberation Ribbon
11	Purple Heart	27	American Defense Service Medal	43	Army Service Ribbon	59	Philippine Independence Ribbon
12	Defense Meritorious Service Medal	28	American Campaign Medal	44	Overseas Service Ribbon	60	United Nations Service Medal
13	Meritorious Service Medal	29	Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal	45	Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon	61	Republic of Vietnam Campaign Ribbon w/Device (1960)
14	Air Medal	30	European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal	46	Combat Infantryman Badge	62	Honorable Service Lapel Button WWII
15	Joint Service Commendation Medal	31	WW II Victory Medal	47	Expert Infantryman Badge	63	
6	Army Commendation Medal	32	Army of Occupation Medal	48	Combat Medical Badge	64	

The Secretary of the Army directs that the following awards be engraved according to current regulations and issued to address shown below. (Engraving to be as indicated in classification or below.)

5. AWARD CODE	6. SERVICE STARS		7. OAK LEAF CLUSTER		8. ARROW HEAD	9. CLASP	10. "V" DEVICE	11. GOLD STAR LAPEL BUTTON		
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///NOTHING FOLLOWS///								<p>THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL IS BASED ON THE AWARD OF THE COMBAT MEDICAL BADGE.</p> <p>YOUR MEDALS WILL BE SHIPPED TO YOU BY THE COMMANDER, U.S. ARMY SUPPORT COMMAND, USA SUPPORT ACTIVITY, ATTENTION: STRAP-SEI, P.O. BOX 13460, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA 19101-3460.</p>		

U.S. ARMY SUPPORT ACTIVITY
 Philadelphia, PA 19101-3460

OFFICIAL BUSINESS
JAMES A ROSE
831 NORTHGATE
TOLEDO, OH 43612

DIANE M. HOW
Chief, SFE-B1
Soldier and Family Support Directorate

+ 14901 +



RECEIVED FOR RECORD

Honorable Discharge

FEB 11 1946

This is to certify that *Gerald Cullen*

JAMES A ROSE 35 549 055 PRIVATE FIRST CLASS
MEDICAL DETACHMENT 242ND INFANTRY 42ND DIVISION

Army of the United States

is hereby Honorably Discharged from the military service of the United States of America.

This certificate is awarded as a testimonial of Honest and Faithful Service to this country.

Given at UNIT A SEPARATION CENTER 45
INDIANTOWN GAP MIL RES PA

Date 29 JANUARY 1946

Bruce W. Canright
BRUCE W CANRIGHT
MAJOR AC

CERTIFIED COPY FURNISHED

HEADQUARTERS 42ND (RAINBOW) INFANTRY DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

16 November 1945

CITATION

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

JAMES A. ROSE

35 549 055, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242nd Infantry, for meritorious achievement in action, on 15 March 1945, near Wingen, France.

When two companies were attacking through the foothills of the Hardt Mountains, numerous casualties occurred from mines and heavy enemy fire. Disregarding his own safety, Private Rose continually passed through the mined areas under intense artillery fire in order to administer necessary medical treatment to the wounded. He aided in the evacuation of six casualties. Private Rose's courageous attention to the wounded assisted in saving many lives. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.


HARRY J. COLLINS
Major General, USA
Commanding

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WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C. MCM/hrw/1000

AGPD-R 201 Rose, James A.
(28 Jan 46) 35 549 055

12 February 1946

Mr. James A. Rose
2416 Chase Street
Toledo, Ohio

Dear Mr. Rose:

I have received your request dated 28 January 1946, concerning the award of a Bronze Star Medal.

I have the honor to inform you that by direction of the President, a Bronze Star Medal has been awarded to you. The citation is as follows:

BRONZE STAR MEDAL

"For meritorious achievement in action, on 15 March 1945, near Wingen, France. When two companies were attacking through the foothills of the Hardt Mountains, numerous casualties occurred from mines and heavy enemy fire. Disregarding his own safety, Private Rose continually passed through the mined areas under intense artillery fire in order to administer necessary medical treatment to the wounded. He aided in the evacuation of six casualties. Private Rose's courageous attention to the wounded assisted in saving many lives."

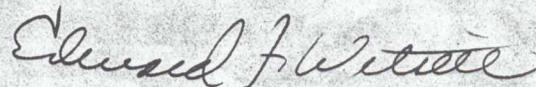
(Authority: Ltr dtd 16 November 1945, Hq. 42d Inf. Div., Pvt.)

The decoration will be forwarded to the Commanding General, Fifth Service Command, Fort Hayes, Columbus, Ohio, who will select

Mr. James A. Rose
AGPD-R 201 Rose, James A.
(28 Jan 46) 35 549 055

an officer to present the decoration to you. The officer selected
will communicate with you concerning your wishes in the matter.

Sincerely yours,



EDWARD F. WITSELL
Major General
The Adjutant General



JAMES A ROSE

To you who answered the call of your country and served in its Armed Forces to bring about the total defeat of the enemy, I extend the heartfelt thanks of a grateful Nation. As one of the Nation's finest, you undertook the most severe task one can be called upon to perform. Because you demonstrated the fortitude, resourcefulness and calm judgment necessary to carry out that task, we now look to you for leadership and example in further exalting our country in peace.

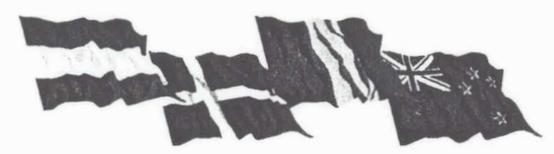
Harry Truman

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MINISTÈRE DE LA DÉFENSE

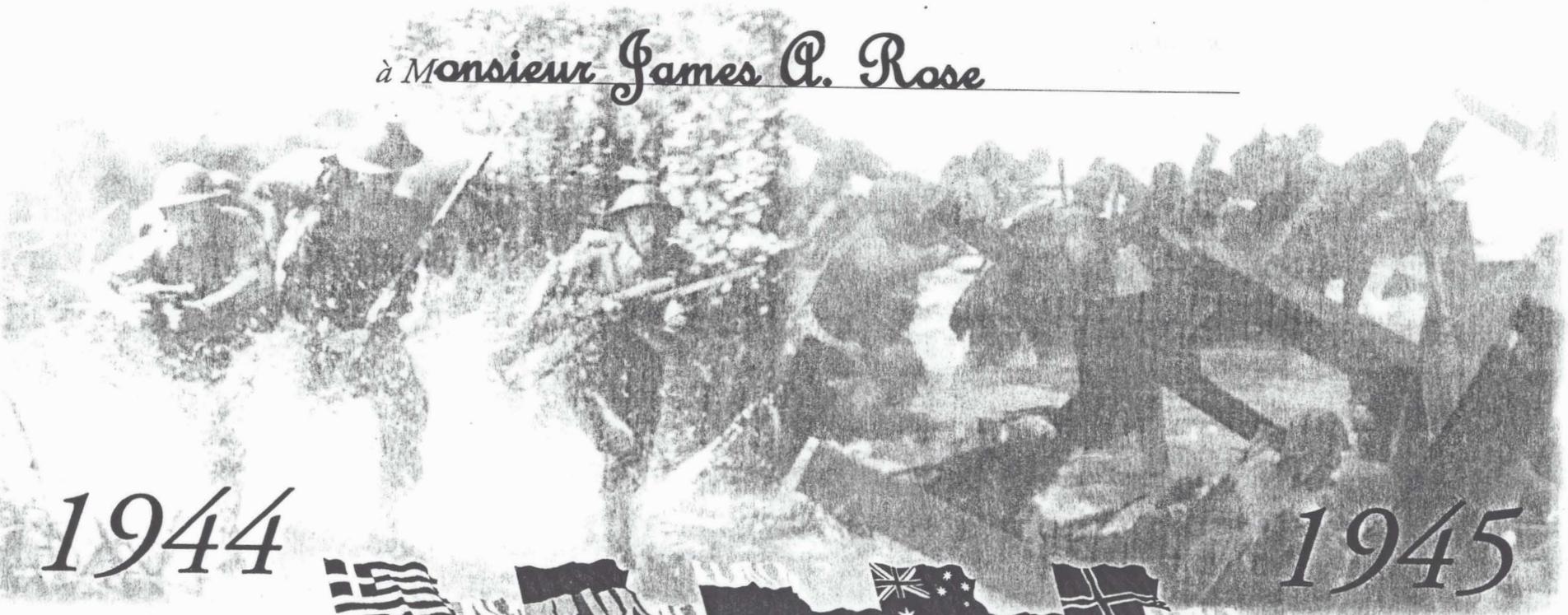


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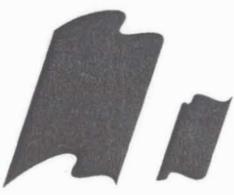
de reconnaissance de la France envers les soldats des armées alliées, engagés dans les combats du débarquement en Normandie et de la Libération 1944-1945

à Monsieur James A. Rose



1944

1945

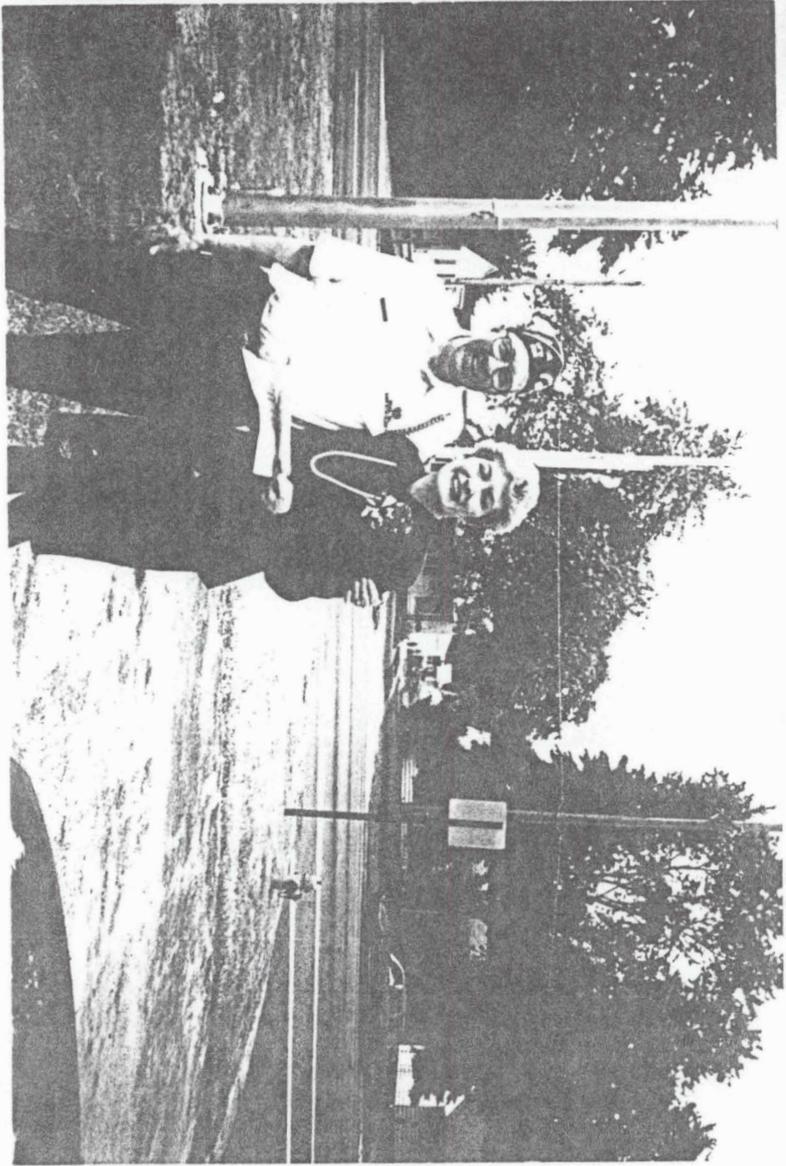


Le 7 Juin 2002

Le Secrétaire d'Etat à la Défense
chargé des Anciens Combattants


Jean-Pierre MASSERET

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CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

CITY OF TOLEDO
& COUNTY OF LUCAS TO

In appreciation and in full realization of your sacrifice made to preserve the nation and, in particular, your community, the City of Toledo and County of Lucas hereby express their heartfelt thanks. Your service in World War II makes possible our continued existence and progress.

Lloyd E. Poulet
Mayor City of Toledo

Edward E. Egan
President Board of County Commissioners

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BUSSELL, JAMES (AAS)

From: BUSSELL, JAMES (AAS)
Sent: Monday, January 03, 2005 11:49 AM
To: WAATTI, SUZETTE (AAS); TAYLOR, GENO (AAS); ROWE, DEBORAH (AAS); KAMM, CLYDE (AAS); PIOMBO, BRUCE (AAS); MURRAY, YOLANDA (AAS); WHITE, ELIZABETH (AAS); DUBORD, ROBIN (AAS); CRANK, SUSAN (AAS); BUTKA, NANCY (AAS); FRANKLIN, GLORIA (AAS); PIERCE, MARY (AAS); CLARK, DEDRA (AAS); HIGHSMITH, YVONNE (AAS); DINKELDEIN, JENNIFER (AAS); DOZIER, LATRICE (AAS); BRIGGS, JOAN (AAS); ARMSTRONG, DONNA (AAS); BUTTS, VICKI (AAS); CRAWFORD, AMIE (AAS); GREENWELL, ALYSON (AAS); BENNETT, BRIAN (AAS); KOPECKY, DARLENE (AAS); KOPECKY, DARREN (AAS); ZUBER, STEPHANIE (AAS); MAREK, BETHANY (AAS); VINE, LISA (AAS); KELLER, JENNIFER (AAS); HERNANDEZ, NOEMI (AAS); HOLLOWAY, SHARON (AAS); SAHS, DENISE (AAS); MITCHELL, DE (AAS); BRANDT, DIANA (AAS); LEWIS, PATRELIA (AAS); JOHNSON, DIANE (AAS); SCHULTZ, LESLIE (AAS); NAGY, BETTY (AAS); GILLMAN, LINDA (AAS); FOUGNIES, ELIZABETH (AAS); CZARNECKI-SIMPSON, VIRGINIA (AAS); RICH, JILL (AAS); ALLEN, LINDA (AAS); TODD, JASON (AAS); SHAUNI, LYNETTE (AAS); JACKSON, BRENDA L. (AAS); KROL, SUSAN (AAS); LOSEK, JENNIFER (AAS); HAWTHORNE, DOROTHY (AAS); ROSS, WENDY (AAS); CHAMPION, DEBORAH (AAS); CONNARN, MARY (AAS); BERGSMA, RENE (AAS); BERGSMA, WILLIAM (AAS); WILEY, SUSAN (AAS); BOGDANSKI, COLEEN (AAS); KOTH, TERESA (AAS); BOGAERTS, NANCY (AAS); PACE, ANGELA (AAS)
Subject: Thank You

Hello Everyone,

I wanted to thank all of you for the cards and your support during a very difficult time for me and my family. The passing of my father was sudden and unexpected even though his health had been declining. It made the holiday time very difficult. Although, my dad did stay with us long enough to say good-bye to our family including my brother who drove from Tennessee before he passed away.

I have shared these thoughts with many of you already but I believe it is worth sharing again. My dad was my role model in life as a man, a father and a husband. He was the perfect example of how I should live my life. He was devoted to my mother and his family. His life was extraordinary. He grew up as a poor farm boy in Tennessee. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII and received several commendations including a Purple Heart. After being discharged from the Army in 1945, he returned home to attend Tennessee Technological University on the GI Bill. He completed a degree in Chemistry in only 3 years while studying by an oil burning lamp. He eloped to Michigan in 1950 with Sheila Louise Officer with no money to speak of searching for a new and better life together. My dad would eventually retire after 37 years with a industrial paint company as a chemist but not before he received 6 U.S. patents for polymer resins. Through hard work, wise spending and astute investments he and my mother achieved financial security for their family.

My mom and dad's life together was truly a love story. My mother says it was love at first site. They would have been married 55 years this July and their love was never stronger.

He was the best dad when it came to supporting me. He attended every sporting event I participated in. He would apologize to me if a business trip prevented him from attending. He was also very supportive of my academic development. He placed a high importance on education because a good education is what allowed him to escape poverty in Tennessee.

He was also the very proud grandpa of my children, Kelley and Gregory. They called him 'Papa'. He was so happy the day we adopted them and cherished everyday he was with them. He attended many of their school and sports activities.

He treated my wife, Sharon, like the daughter he never had. His love for her was as strong as it was for his two sons.

Your demonstration of support through your cards, your kind words, your thoughts and your prayers was overwhelming. I knew before the passing of my father that I worked with many wonderful people. Now I am even more convinced. Thank you again for all of your well wishes. I hope the New Year brings all of you joy and happiness.

Jim



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Dear Jim,

I deeply feel your loss and understand your pain as you grieve for your father, who must have been a wonderful person and mentor to his family and friends, as well as a man who loved his country and served so well the cause of freedom. His passing will be listed by the Foundation secretary and he will be remembered next July at the annual reunion of Rainbow Division Veterans in Indianapolis and in the Rainbow Reveille, as well as in the hearts and spirits of his buddies. Please know that we in the Millennium Chapter honor his service and his life.

Our deepest condolences, and our best wishes always,
God bless you and your family.
Your friend in Rainbow,
Suellen

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Hello Suellen,

I am sad to inform you that the 42nd Rainbow Division has lost another valiant soldier. My father, George W. Bussell, passed away on December 13 of cardiac arrest at the age of 79. He was proud of his service to his country with the U. S. Army and proud to be a member of the 42nd Rainbow Division. He will be deeply missed by my mother, my brother, his two grandchildren, his two daughter in laws and myself. He was my role model as a man, a father and a husband. He was also my hero for the way he lived his life to provide love, support and financial security to his family. I can only hope to be like him. He was an excellent teacher and example for me.

Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

God Bless,

Jim Bussell