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LIEUTENANT GENERAL (RET) SAM WETZEL IS LAID TO REST

On 28 January 2022 LTG (ret) Sam Wetzel was laid to rest at Fort Benning, Georgia the Home of the Infantry. He was a distinguished Infantryman and a long-time Department of the Army appointed Honorary Colonel of the 31st US Infantry Regiment. In 1968, LTC Wetzel commanded the 4th Battalion 31st Infantry in Vietnam and ended his active duty as the Commander of the US Army V Corps in Germany in 1986. Every Soldier and officer in the Association knew him as "Sir" but he preferred to be known as Sam. He was a mentor and provided excellent guidance to the 31st Infantry Regiment Association for over two decades. He will be sorely missed by all as a Soldier and as a friend. (See Remembering – Page 2).

THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATAAN DEATH MARCH

The Commemoration of the 80th Anniversary of the Bataan Death March on 9 April 2022 was a memorable tribute honoring the Filipino and American troops of Bataan/Corregidor. The commemoration was held at Orangeburg, NY the site of a former temporary WW II installation, Camp Shanks. The commemoration included a symbolic march down Bataan Road to a presentation area where State and local political leaders, leaders of several Filipino and American organizations, the Association Commander Charlie Tapp and LTC Rowe, Commander of 4-31 Infantry gave presentations on the history of their organizations, the Battle of Bataan, and the Death March. The event was attended by more than 45 Soldiers and leaders from the 4th Battalion 31st Infantry and seven members from the 31st Infantry Regiment Association.



HAVE YOU SIGNED UP FOR REUNION 2022 AT COLUMBUS, GEORGIA?



Reunion 2022 is getting closer. Are you signed up for the deployment? Mid-September is not long away and time is a wasting if you have not made your commitment to be part of this year's reunion. Most every thing has been finalized including attending the graduation ceremony of a company of new Infantrymen from initial Infantry training, and tours of the Infantry Museum, Fort Benning, and the Little White House.

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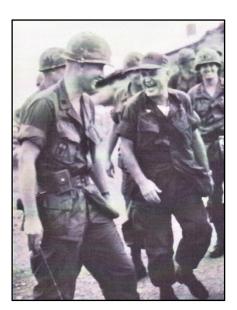
REMEMBERING Robert L. "Sam" Wetzel – 1930-2022

Graduating from Irving High School in Clarksburg West Virginia, Sam Wetzel was awarded an NROTC scholarship to Purdue to study engineering but was then offered an appointment to the United States Military Academy. That was the start of his distinguished 34-year Army career. Sam commanded at all levels from an infantry platoon to a corps in Europe. Sam was a Soldier's Soldier, a great leader, and an American Patriot.

His first combat assignment in April 1953 was as a platoon leader in I Company, 279th Infantry Regiment, 45th Infantry Division in Korea. He took command of L Company on July 29, 1953 two days after the Armistice was signed. In 1954, Sam commanded B Company, 512th Armored Infantry Battalion, Combat Command B, 4th Armored Division at Fort Hood. Then in 1962 he commanded a mechanized infantry company, B Company, 1st Battle Group, 34th Infantry, 24th Infantry Division, in Germany. This was nine years after his first company command in Korea.

From July 23, 1968 to January 10, 1969, he was again a combat commander, this time in command of a battalion—a great unit of courageous Infantry Soldiers in close combat in Vietnam, the 4th Battalion 31st Infantry. In just seven days under his command, the battalion defeated the 21st NVA Regiment in the Battle of Nui Chom Mountain. In that fight, 19-year old Corporal Mike Crescenz earned the Medal of Honor posthumously.

In 1973, Sam took command of the 1st Raider Brigade of 4th Infantry Division at Fort Carson. In June 1975 he was promoted to Brigadier General (BG) and assigned as Director of Personnel and Inspector General of EUCOM (European Command) in Germany. Two years later he took command of 1st Infantry Division (Forward), a BG position. In May 1978, General Alexander Haig, Supreme Commander, Allied Powers in Europe, moved Sam to Mons, Belgium to be his executive officer. In July 1979 Sam became Commanding General (CG) 3rd Infantry Division in Germany. The next month Sam was diagnosed with malignant melanoma. Surgery followed in October. In January 1981 the biopsy of a new lump confirmed that the melanoma had returned.



LTC Wetzel & GEN Abrams -1968

After more surgery he relinquished command of the division. Radiation followed at Walter Reed Army Hospital in Washington. The Surgeon General wanted to medically retire Sam as "unfit for further service," but Sam persuaded him to send the case to the Physical Evaluation Board. That group eventually approved his retention on active duty.

With that hurdle cleared, General Vessey, the Vice Chief of Staff of the Army, selected Sam to be the CG of Fort Benning and Commandant of the Infantry School. General Meyer, the Chief of Staff of the Army, told Sam that he would be the first Chief of Infantry since 1940. Twenty-three months later, Sam received his third star and headed back to Germany as Deputy Commander-in-Chief (DCINC), US Army Europe (USAREUR). Sam's tour as DCINC, USAREUR ended in May 1984. Sam then took command of V Corps, with responsibility for preventing the Soviet 8th Guards Army from making any attack down the Fulda Gap into Germany.

This is a bare-bones description of Sam's commands, and of the increasing responsibilities the US Army entrusted to him. But there's so much more to this officer than a list of assignments. He loved soldiers. No detail was too small for him if attending to it helped accomplish the mission. Suffice it to say, when he finally retired he

moved to Columbus, Georgia just outside Fort Benning—Home of the Infantry. This year's reunion will be dedicated not only to a gathering of Polar Bear warriors and their families, but to General Sam Wetzel.

NEW VA CANCER COVERAGE - TO BE ADDED TO THE SERVICE CONNECTED LIST

On March 1, 2022 the VA announced its intention of adding nine rare respiratory cancers to the list of presumed service-connected disabilities in relation to exposure to toxic chemicals in the air, water, or soil for Veterans who served any amount of time in the Southwest Asia theater of operations. Veterans, dependents and survivors who had claims previously denied for any of the below respiratory cancers would be encouraged to file a new or supplemental claim for benefits once the rule-making process is complete:

- Squamous cell carcinoma (SCC) of the larynx
- SCC of the trachea
- Adenocarcinoma of the trachea
- Salivary gland-type tumors of the trachea
- Adenosquamous carcinoma of the lung
- Large cell carcinoma of the lung
- Salivary gland-type tumors of the lung
- Sarcomatoid carcinoma of the lung
- Typical and atypical carcinoid of the lung

Any Veteran who had one of these cancers manifest at any time during or after separation would be eligible for service-connection. The VA's Health Outcomes Military Exposures team began a focused review of scientific and medical evidence related to exposure to fine particulate matter and the subsequent development of rare respiratory cancers. Its research affirmed a biologic plausibility between airborne hazards and carcinogenesis of the respiratory tract.

Based on these findings, VA Secretary Denis McDonough is proposing a rule that will add presumptive service connection for these rare respiratory cancers for certain Veterans. VA intends to focus its rule on the rare respiratory cancers above in Veterans who served any amount of time in the Southeast Asia theater of operations and other locations. VA will invite and consider public comments as part of this process. Once rule making is complete, VA will conduct outreach to impacted Veterans and survivors to inform them about potential eligibility.

THE AIRBORNE AGENDA

Many Infantry Soldiers and leaders are Airborne Qualified. And many Soldiers know that Airborne School at Fort Benning is three weeks long. But not many Soldiers know the actual airborne training agenda in practice. So here it is, short and simple:

Jump School Week 1: Separate the men from the boys.

Jump School Week 2: Separate the men from the fools.

Jump School Week 3: The Fools Jump.



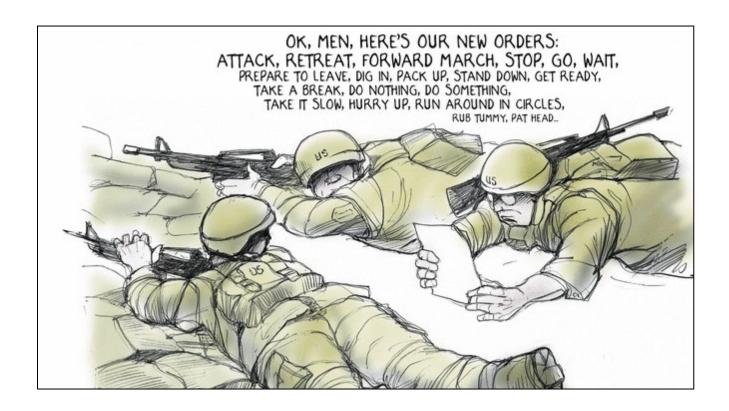
FROM THE PAST – "31ST INACTIVATED, BUT NOT FOR LONG!" Edited From Newsletter #1, July 1995

On 2 June 1995, Company D, the last serving unit of the 31st Infantry, was inactivated in a solemn ceremony at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Homer Wright attended the inactivation and drank the last toast to a fine unit. Company D and its predecessor, the 4th Battalion, supported the Field Artillery School as demonstration troops for more than twenty years. We can be proud that our regiment showed generations of Redlegs why they exist.

Our fears that the Polar Bears might join dozens of other famous old regiments on the inactive rolls were unfounded. Thanks to the care and dedication of Ms. Janice McKenney and Mr. Les Jensen of the Center for Military History in Washington, our proud regiment will be restored to active duty on or about 5 July 1995 when the 4th Battalion 31st Infantry, our most decorated battalion, is reactivated at Fort Drum, New York as part of the 10th Mountain Division. The blending of "Polar Bears" and "Mountaineers" seems appropriate and will constitute another proud chapter in our history. This will be the seventh division our regiment served with. The 31st Infantry Regiment or its successor battalions also served with the Siberian Expeditionary Force, Philippine Department, 2nd Infantry Division, 7th Infantry Division, 9th Infantry Division, 196th and 197th Infantry Brigades, 177th Armored Brigade, and the Infantry, Field Artillery, and Aviation Schools. The 4th Battalion's reactivation date must still be approved by the Army's busy new Chief of Staff, General Dennis Reimer (an Artilleryman who supported our 6th Battalion in Vietnam and Cambodia), but there are no known obstacles in its path.

Note: Company D was inactivated on February 1, 1995. The 4th Battalion was then reactivated as part of the 2nd Brigade, 10th Mountain Division on April 16, 1996. (U.S. Army Center of Military History)

NEW ORDERS









Reunion 2022- Columbus/Fort Benning, GA - SEPTEMBER 15-18

REUNION 2022 – DAY ONE - (Thursday: September 15, 2022)

- 0900 1700 Arrival -- Registration Desk/Welcome Columbus Marriott
- 1000 1700 The Association Hospitality Room Chattahoochee-Fountain Room
- 1000 1500 Tour Fort Benning
- 1530 1700 Board Meeting
- 1730 1830 Welcome Cocktail Reception Iron Works Trade Center Sycamore Room (Cash Bar)
- 1830 2030 Arrival Dinner Buffet Dinner Iron Works Trade Center Sycamore Room

REUNION 2022 – DAY TWO - (Friday: September 16, 2022)

- 0700 0930 Breakfast Served in Houlihan's at the Marriott and in lobby at the Hampton Inn
- 0800 1100 QM Store Open Empire Mills Room
- 0900 1600 Registration Desk & Welcome Table open
- 0915 0930 Load Buses for move to Infantry Museum/OUST Graduation
- 1000 2200 The Association Hospitality Room Open
- 1015 1200 Attend OUST Unit Parade/Graduation Infantry Museum Parade Field
- 1215 1330 Lunch You are on your own at the Infantry Museum Restaurant.
- 1215 1600 Tour the Infantry Museum (Buses will shuttle to hotel every 30 mins starting at 1330 hrs.)
- 1700 2100 Company Dinners

REUNION 2022 - DAY THREE- (Saturday: September 17, 2022)

- 0700 0930 Breakfast Served in Houlihan's at the Marriott and in lobby at the Hampton Inn
- 0900 1700 Registration Desk & Welcome Table Open.
- 0900 2100 The Association Hospitality Room Open
- 0900 1000 31st Infantry Memorial Service
- 1000 1130 General business Meeting
- 1000 1530 Tour to Little White House or Callaway Gardens
- 1130 1300 Lunch You, of course, are on your own.
- 1130 1500 Quartermaster Open
- 1500 1530 Raffle Drawing & Silent Auction (Last chance to bid in Silent Auction).
- 1830 1835 Reunion Dinner Posting of the Colors & Invocation Trade Ctr Dining Gallery
- 1835 2030 Dinner After Dinner: Announcements. Introduction, and Guest Speaker
- 2030 2200 Shanghai Bowl Ceremony and Formal Toasts to the 31st US Infantry Regiment

REUNION 2022 - DAY FOUR - DEPARTURE DAY (Sunday: September 18, 2022) - Goodbyes

REGISTRATION FORM REUNION 2022 – COLUMBUS, GA 31st US Infantry Regiment Association September 15-18, 2022

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Reunion Activity	Cost per Person	x # Participating	=	Event Cost		
Reunion Registration	\$40	x		\$		
Reunion Arrival Dinner	\$35	x		\$		
OUST Grad/Infantry Museum	\$15	x		\$		
Tour of Fort Benning	\$20	х		\$		
Tour of Little White House	\$45	x		\$		
Reunion Banquet	\$50	х		\$		

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Marriott Hotel: Cost is \$ 149/night Full Breakfast included. Reserve room at (706) 324-1800

Columbus Marriott, 800 Front Avenue, Columbus, GA 31901

Grand Total

Hampton Inn: Cost is \$ 129/night Full Breakfast included. Reserve room at (706) 324-1800

Hampton Inn Columbus/South Fort Benning, 2827 South Lumpkin Rd, Columbus, GA 706 660-5550 The Association will pay \$10 per night to reduce the hotel cost to \$139 and \$119 per night respectively and is attempting to have city and state taxes waived.

Suspense date for Hotel and Reunion 2022 Reservations is August 31, 2022

TAPS



Deceased members identified since Newsletter # 101, February 2022

PRE KOREAN WAR

Murl G. "Pinky" Randall, T/5, Houghton Lake, MI, died Jan 9, 2022, Svc Co, Rgt, 1947-1948

KOREAN WAR

John P. Burns, PFC, Logan, OH, died Jan 16, 2022, Co D, 1st Bn, 1951
Robert E. Chisolm, LTC ret, Anthony, NM, died May 24, 2021, Cdr Co L, 3rd Bn, 1950
Richard E. Ecker, 1LT, Downers Grove, IL, died Dec 6, 2021, I&R Plt, Rgt, 1952-1953
Callum J. Flynn, CW3 ret, Tacoma, WA, died Nov 24, 2021, Det I, 707th Ord, 1949-1950
Philip F. Forsberg, CPL, Putnam Valley, NY, died Jan 20, 2022, Co E, 2nd Bn, 1952-1953
William B. King, MSG ret, Lisbon, ME, died Dec 14, 2021, Tank Co, Rgt, 1951-1952
Gilbert W. Loomis, CPL, Lynwood, WA, died Dec 14, 2021, Co I, 3rd Bn, 1948-1950
George R. McCaffrey, unkn, Brighton, MI, died Nov 5, 2013, unit and period unkn
James W. Miller, PFC, Macomb, IL, died Nov 26, 2021, Co C, 1st Bn, 1951
John D. Moon, CPL, Browns Valley, CA, died Dec 30, 2021, HHC, 1st Bn, 1950-1951
George A. Ross, SGT, The Villages, FL, died Apr 26, 2021, Co E, 2nd Bn, 1951-1952
Donald M. Ruthenbery, CPL, Winfield, TN, died Dec 27, 2021, HHC, 1st Bn, 1952
Earl M. Stanton, SFC ret, Buffalo, NY, died Jan 22, 2022, Pioneer & Ammo Plt, HHC, Rgt, 1952-1953
Ernest Steinman, CPT, ret, Oelwein, IA, died Jan 7, 2022, Co E, 2nd Bn, 1952
Leo J. Zuranski, SSG, Baldwinsville, NY, died Jan 13, 2022, Svc Co, Rgt, 1950-1951

POST KOREAN WAR

George F. Crowe, COL ret, Grand Island, NY, died Apr 4, 2021, Co I, 3rd Bn, 1955-1956 Edward M. Hudak, PFC, Bayville, NJ, died Nov 19, 2021, Co D, 1st Battle Group, 1958-1960 Geno Oliver, SGT, Reno, NV, died Sep 5, 2021, Co A, 1st Bn, 1953-1954

VIETNAM

James J. Brown, PFC, Wyandanch, NY, died Jun 30, 2020, Co C, 6th Bn, 1969 Herbert E. Gossett, 1SGT ret, Collierville, TN, died Feb 5, 2022, HHC, 6th Bn, 1967-1969, 1st SGT Richard L. Haworth, SSG, Venice, FL, died Dec 13, 2021, 6th Bn, 1969-1970 Gerry H. Peffer, SP4, Redding, CA, died Oct 29, 2021, Co B, 4th Bn, 1970-1971

NOTE: No deceased members reported from the World War II and United States eras or Associates

NEW MEMBER

William Rood, CPL, Canton, NY, C Co, 13th Engineers, 7th Inf Div, 1950-1951

REINSTATED MEMBER

Arthur Shortman, PFC, Pawcatuck, CT, Co I, 3rd Bn, 1951-1952



4-31 POLAR BEARS SITREP



Good tidings from Fort Drum, NY! The soldiers and leaders of the 4-31 Infantry are charging into Spring and Summer.

Since returning from Christmas Break, the Bn has hardly taken a breath. While still executing a Modernization Phase along with the 2nd BCT, the Polar Bear companies have been intensively executing individual through

Platoon level training, culminating with our D Co Heavy Weapons Company conducting Platoon Gunnery and certifications. Along the way, we successfully completed a FORSCOM Command Discipline Inspection, conducted air movement training, and participated in the 80th Commemoration of the Bataan Death March in Orangeburg, NY.

At this time, the Battalion has deployed to Camp Ethan Allen Training Site in Vermont for full



Soldiers from 4-31 and members of the Association at the 80th Anniversary Commemoration of the Bataan Death March in Orangeburg, NY

spectrum training. All three Rifle Companies are executing Platoon combined arms maneuver live fires and Company level essential task exercises for certification and leader development as we continue to progress to Company and Battalion level validation training events later in the year. In early May, the Polar Bears will return to Fort Drum, NY, execute an expedient equipment recovery, and then quickly prepare for a consolidated Expert Infantry, Expert Soldier, and Expert Field Medical Badge train-up and testing.

On 17 May 2022 the Battalion will execute a combined Change of Responsibility and Change of Command. After each served over 27 months, CSM Jerry Heim will be handing over responsibilities to CSM Jacob Smith, and LTC Christopher Rowe will transition command to LTC David Simmons. The Ceremony will take place on Memorial Field on Fort Drum, NY at 1330. If any 31st Alumni have plans for attending this event, please contact the 4-31 IN adjutant, 1LT A.J. Reuter for more information at allen.j.reuter.mil@army.mil.

Before we execute a planned Summer Block leave at the end of June, the Polar Bears will be engaged in a Division-wide virtual Warfighter Exercise. The Battalion's command post will be integrated into the planning and virtual execution of a 10th Mountain Division (LI) operation for 10 days to simulate a Large Scale Combat Operation with a Near Peer opponent. Simultaneously, our Heavy Weapons Company will execute a TOW range live fire for competency.

As we reach into the summer, and welcome our new incoming leaders, we thank the Regiment's Alumni for their continued support. As stewards of the profession of arms, and committed to excellence, the Polar Bears will continue to challenge what it means to be Ready and remain committed to action.

A Note from the QM: Over the years, the Association has absorbed product price, sales tax, and shipping price increases. It is with regrets that these increases must finally be passed on to members. The prices listed below are the new current prices. <u>Prices on the web site and past newsletters are out of date</u>.

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