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REUNION 2022 - CAN IT BE TRUE?

Reunion 2022 at Columbus, GA and Fort Benning is set for 15 to 18 September. The reunion host hotel will be the Marriott Hotel in Columbus, GA and the arrival dinner and banquet will be in the Columbus Convention and Trade Center next to the hotel. Because we are at the "Home of the Infantry" Fort Benning plans for the reunion include attending a graduation of an Infantry Basic Training Unit on the parade field at the Infantry Museum, a visit to the Infantry Museum, a



special tour of Fort Benning, and planned trips to the Little White House at Warm Springs or Calaway Gardens. Reunion 2022 will be a grand affair for old grunts and their families. So, make the promise once again: **"This Polar Bear will be at Reunion 2022!"**

80th ANNIVERSARY of the BATAAN DEATH MARCH to be CELEBRATED in ORANGEBURG



On April 9, 2022, starting at 1300 hours a Commemoration of the 80th Anniversary of the Bataan Death March (BDM) will be held in Orangeburg, NY. This commemoration to honor the Filipino and American troops of Bataan/Corregidor is a follow-up to the commemoration held on the 75th Anniversary of the BDM. Orangeburg is located on the Hudson River approximately 15 miles north of New York City. It was a WWII military post built as a temporary site to assemble troops for deployment to Europe and the Pacific during WWII. Today Orangeburg is a small town with two named Streets: Bataan Road and Victory Boulevard. All the other streets are numbered. The one-day event is open to everyone and will include a parade down Bataan Road to the site of a series of presentations by local and state government officials, Filipino-American organizations, and leaders from the Association and the Commander of 4-31 Infantry. As a Polar bear, if you are able, you should plan to attend.

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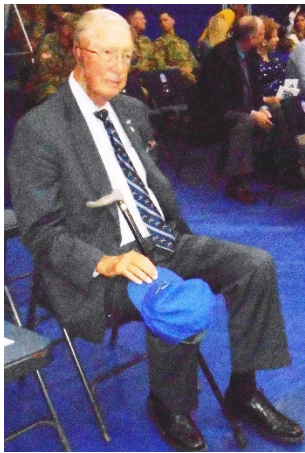
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LIEUTENANT GENERAL (RET.) SAM WETZEL PASSES ON



LTG Ret Sam Wetzel, a great soldier, leader, friend and the Honorary Colonel of the US Army 31st Infantry Regiment died on January 20, 2022 in Columbus, GA. Sam commanded a rifle platoon and company during the Korean War. He commanded the 431 Infantry in Vietnam July '68 – Jan '69. As BG he commanded the 1st Infantry Division Forward, as a MG he commanded 3rd Infantry Division in Germany. Next he was Commandant of the US Army Infantry School. As a LTG he returned to Germany and served as Deputy Commander USAREUR and commanded the V US Corps. He retired in 1986. As the long-time Honorary Colonel of the Regiment, he thoughtfully and skillfully guided and developed our Association into the strong and vibrant organization that it is today.



His service personified the regimental motto "Pro Patria." Sam will be fondly remembered and sorely missed. God Speed Sam! This year's Reunion in Columbus, GA will be dedicated to the memory and honor of LTG Sam Wetzel.

A PORTRAIT OF AMERICAN VALOR



The men in this photograph, taken at San Antonio in September 2007 Reunion of the 31st US Infantry Regiment Association, represent four generations of soldiers who served their country in the 31st Infantry Regiment over a period spanning, at that time, sixty-six years. Standing, left to right: SSG Jerry White, SPC-4 Julius Harley, SGT Don Mayville, PFC George Boggs Sr.; kneeling and seated: SPC Brooks Pfeiffer, CMSGT Paul Kerchum, SGT Houston Turner and SGT Adam Brocher. Part of their individual stories, recounted below, are woven into the fabric of American history.

CPL Houston Turner, aged 18, of Arroyo Grande, CA served in Company I, 3rd Bn and then in Company B, 1st Bn. Following the formal surrender of American troops, CPL Turner escaped and evaded the Japanese in the mountains of the western Philippines skirmishing with Japanese troops on several occasions. After three weeks in the hills, suffering from untreated malaria and malnourishment, CPL Turner joined an American anti-aircraft battery unit coming down from the hills, surrendering to Japanese forces at Mariveles in southern Bataan. He was

among the last 50 POWs to make the Bataan Death March. This small contingent of POWs buried comrades where they died or were murdered as they found them along the route of march. First interned at Camp O'Donnell, Turner ended the war in the Cabanatuan camp. Following the war, he continued to serve in the ordnance corps until 1952, separating from the service as a T/SGT Houston. He is now deceased.

CPL Paul Kerchum, age 21, of McKees Rocks, PA, serving in Company B, 1-31 Infantry fought till the 31st provisions and ammunition were expended, survived the Bataan Death March from Bataan to Camp O'Donnell. From camp O'Donnell POWs were dispersed to other camps, used as slave labor, and endured 42 months of captivity until liberated by American troops in early 1945. Following 1945, Paul served another 20 years in the Air Force, including service in Korea, retiring as a Chief, MSG. Paul lives at home in Benson, AZ.

SGT Donald Mayville, age 18, fought with 3-31 Infantry at Chosin Reservoir in December 1950. SGT Mayville made a career in the Army and was on his third tour in Vietnam when American forces were withdrawn from that fight. He retired from the military as a master sergeant.

PFC George Boggs Sr., age 20, hailing from North Philadelphia, entered service in 1951. PFC Boggs deployed to Korea in the summer of 1952, where he served with Company M, 3-31 Infantry as a rifleman and 57mm recoilless rifle crewman until rotating off the line in February 1953. Boggs participated in the fighting centered on Triangle Hill in the same famous hill complex known as Pork Chop Hill and Old Baldy, one of the most intense Infantry engagements in the Korean War.

SPC-4 Julius Harley from Tallahassee, FL was 19 when deployed. He served in the reconnaissance platoon of Company E, 6-31 Infantry from May 1969 till April 1970. SPC-4 Harley served as a radio-telephone operator for two Echo company NCOs and the platoon leader. After leaving the military, Harley lived in Tallahassee, where he has owned and operated a lawn service business started in 1984.

SPC Robert B. "Brooks" Pfeiffer III, of Port Orchard, WA, was 20 years old when he volunteered for service in 2004. After completing basic training, he was assigned to 4-31 Infantry, where he received further training, and subsequently deployed to Iraq.

SGT Adam T. "Trent" Brocher, of Conway, NH was assigned to 4-31 in September 2007. He entered the Army in November 1997 at the age 23. After basic training, he was assigned to the HHC 1-15 Infantry at Fort Benning. After several assignments in Infantry units and deployments to Kuwait and Qatar and 2 years in Germany he was re-assigned to the 4-31 Infantry at Fort Drum, NY. While assigned to the 4-31, he was deployed twice in one year in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

FACTS FROM THE VIETNAM WAR ERA

During the official Vietnam War era, August 5, 1964 to May 7, 1975, 9,087,000 military personnel served on active duty. Of those, 2,710,000 Americans served in uniform in Vietnam. Veterans represented 9.7% of their generation. James Davis was the first person killed in Vietnam in 1958. The Medal of Honor was awarded to 240 men during the Vietnam War. But the war had high costs for many soldiers including:

- 59,148 were killed in Vietnam
- 75,000 were severely disabled
- 23,214 were 100% disabled
- 5,283 lost limbs



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
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
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

Name: _____

Guest(s): _____

Home Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP Code: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Company & Battalion of the 31st Infantry: _____ When: _____

If active duty, Current Rank: _____ Post stationed at: _____

Served in Combat Zone: Yes / No (Circle) If Yes, where: _____

Will you be staying at Columbus Marriott Yes / No (Circle)?

Have a car at the reunion? Yes / No If needed, are you willing to assist in local driving? Yes / No

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

Make checks payable to: **31st US Infantry Regiment Association**
ATTN: Don Carden
9014 W. Parkview Terrace Loop
Eagle River, AK 99577

Hotel: Total Cost is \$149/night including a Full Breakfast every morning. The Association will pay \$10 per night to reduce the hotel cost to \$139 per night and is attempting to have city and state taxes avoided.

COLUMBUS MARRIOTT

800 Front Avenue
Columbus, GA 31901

Reserve Room at (706)-324-1800

Columbus, GA Airport (CSG)

Free airport / Hotel Shuttle

Columbus, GA Airport is serviced by several major carriers

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

TAPS



Deceased members identified since Newsletter # 100, August 2021

KOREA WAR AND POST KOREAN WAR

George Bartak, PFC, Natrona Heights, PA, died Jul 9, 2021, Tank Co, Rgt, 1953
William S. Carrington, SSG, Belchertown, MA, died Nov 11, 2020, Co B, 1st Bn, 1953-1954
Alex J. Futscher, CPL, Alexandria, KY, died Sep 3, 2021, Co C, 1st Bn, 1952
Bud H. Geringer, SGT, Brunswick, OH, died Oct 19, 2021, Tank Co, Rgt, 1952-1953
Bernard T. Goulet, Sr., LTC ret, Springfield, IL, died Nov 16, 2021, Co A, 1st Bn, 1950-1951
Bernard A. Kyre, PFC, Baltimore, OH, died Apr 15, 2011, Co D, 1st Bn, 1952
Jerome Nalipinski, T/SGT, White Bear Lake, MN, died Oct 14, 2021, Co L, 3rd Bn, 1953
Richard D. Norgart, SGT, Portland, OR, died Sep 8, 2021, Hvy Mrt, Rgt, 1950
Omar F. Peterson, PFC, Canton, SD, died Jul 27, 2021, Co G, 2nd Bn, 1951
Bill V. Holt, COL ret, Portland, OR, died Jan 12, 2021, Co C, 3rd Bn, 1957-1958 (Post KW)

Corrections in date died and/or name in: NL 92, NL 94, NL 95, and NL 96

Melvin L. "Mel" Pierce, PFC, Hollister, MO, died **Aug 3, 2017**, Co I, 3rd Bn, 1950 (NL 92)
Donald N. **Escott**, PFC, **Temple Terrace, FL**, died Nov 15, 2019, HHC, 2 & 3 Bns, 1949-1951(NL 94)
Robert E. **Robards**, PFC, Douglas MA, died May 25, 2011, Co A, 1st Bn, 1952
Ward W. **Roney**, Jr., SFC, Duvall, WA, died **May 18, 2010**, Co M, 3rd Bn 1953

VIETNAM

James "Doug" Hannaman, SGT, Leitchfield, KY, died Oct 2, 2021, Co D, 6th Bn, 1968
Bobby "Van" Johnson, USAF MSGT ret, Montgomery, AL, died Jul 7, 2021, Co A, 6th Bn, 1969-1970
Chester P. Larson, 1LT, Brewster, OH, died Nov 18, 2021, Cos A and E, 4th Bn, 1967-1968
Ray C. Lehmann, SGT, Lacey, WA, died Oct 5, 2021, Co C, 6th Bn, 1968-1969
James P. Pape, SP4, New Bremen, OH, died Sep 29, 2020, Co A, 6th Bn, 1969-1970
David P. Wilson, LTC ret, Puyallup, WA, died Sep 27, 2021, Co C, 6th Bn, 1967-1968
Robert L. "Sam" Wetzel, LTG ret, Columbus, GA, died Jan 20, 2022, HHC 4th Bn, 1968-1969 Bn Cdr

UNKNOWN AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

James Shook, unkn, Boulder, CO, died Jun 29, 2020, unit and era
Roberta Brown, Hastings, OK, died Jan 14, 2017, unit and era unknown
Rita, Garleb, Escondido, CA, died Nov 9, 2014, widow of PVT William J. Garleb, Co H, Phil,
George F. Scheck, Narragansett, RI, died Aug 10, 2021, uncle, Francis J. O'Donnell killed 1/24/42 PI.

NOTE: No deceased members reported from the World War II, Pre-Korean War and United States eras

A SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO NEW MEMBERS

Since Reunion 2021, the 31st Association has been focused on gaining new members especially those soldiers who so proudly and honorably served in the many deployments of 4-31 in Iraq, Afghanistan, and around the world in the defense of America and America's War on Terrorism. So, a "Special Thanks" to them and to our new members listed below:

Alexander M. "Al" Bayer, SGT, Watertown, NY, Co C, 4th Bn, 2018-present Color Guard
John W. "Cal," Gaines, Garden Grove, CA, Co A, 4th Bn, 1967-1968
Jerry A. Helm, Ft. Drum, NY, HHC, 4th Bn, 2018 – present, Bn Command Sergeant Major
Nanetta L. Hall, Des Moines, IA, widow of SGT William Hall, Co A, 4th Bn, 1967-1968, he died Sep 5, 2020, Associate
Nicholas M. "Nick" Hurff, Sewell, NJ, Cos A & C, 4th Bn 2014-2017
Michael J. "Mike" Long, Lakewood, FL, LTG ret Wetzel's son, Associate
James M. "Jim" Lytle, Sr., USAF MSGT ret, Westerville, OH, Co C, 4th Bn, 1969
Joann Manley, Clinton, IL, widow of SP4 Kent Matthews, Co A, 6th Bn, KIA Jan 18, 1970
Joshua J. "Dirty" McClean, SPC, Ft. Drum, NY, Co C, 4th Bn, 2020-present Color Guard
Carol E. Olson, East Jordon, MI, wife of Gerald O. "Jerry" Olson, HHC, 2nd Bn, 1953-1954, Associate
George L. Parks, Decatur, IL, I&R Co, Rgt, 1954-55
Jimmy L. Paxton, SGT, Savannah, MO, Co B, 4th Bn, 1967-1969
Christopher M. "Chris" Rowe, LTC, Ft. Drum, NY, HHC, 4th Bn, 2021- present, Bn Commander
Brian Rutz, SFC, Ft. Drum, NY, HHC, 4th Bn Color Guard
Todd W. Sullivan, 1stSgt (Ret.), Lake Havasu, AZ, Cos HHC & A, 4th Bn, 2001-2006
Brandon L. Tawes, PFC, Ft. Drum, NY, Co C, 4th Bn, 2021-present Color Guard
Kobe T. Terry, PFC, Ft. Drum, NY, Co C, 4th Bn, 2021-present Color Guard

4-31 POLAR BEAR SITREP



FLASH: From Fort Drum. Soldiers of the 4th Bn are once again picking up their winter kit and getting into action. Since returning from Afghanistan, the Bn has been busy: completing a much-needed block leave period, personnel recovery, and executing a "Reset" in parallel with our Brigade's Modernization Phase. In addition to beginning our individual training cycle, 4-31 completed three company

changes of command: A Co, C Co, and HHC. During the remainder of this Quarter, we will conduct small unit training with Team Live Fire Certifications, vehicle crew gunnery, mortar crew certifications followed by Squad Live Fire Certification, Vehicle Section gunnery, as well as competing in the 10th Mountain Division's annual winter D-Series Challenge where the Polar Bear Soldiers can showcase their historic skills in cold weather.

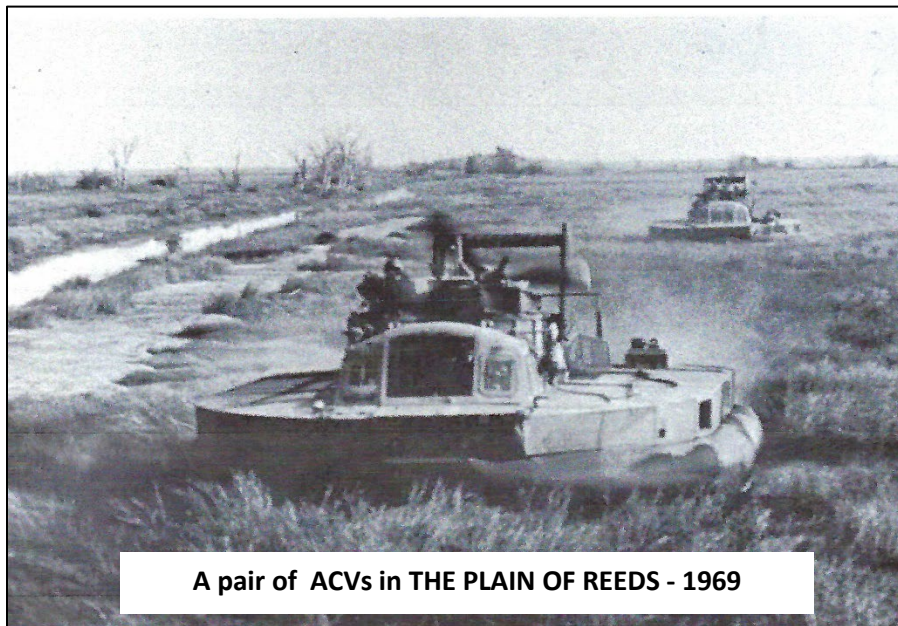


In the waning phases of winter, the Polar Bears will continue to push forward with vehicle platoon live fires, participate in a series of command post exercises (CPXs), and prepare for a FORSCOM Command Discipline Inspection at the end of March. In April, the Battalion will complete an air movement to the Camp Ethan Allen Training Center in Jericho, VT to execute Platoon Combined Arms Live Fire Certifications. The Polar Bears are staying true to their call to arms for our nation, and we'll continue to strive for excellence through this winter.

Lastly, the leaders and soldiers of 4-31 give a shout-out to the 31st Infantry Regiment Association for their \$ 1,420 support to complete the refurbishing of "George," again standing proudly in front of our headquarters.

DELTA DINOSARS

Do these Delta Dinosaurs bring back any memories? For many Soldiers in 6-31 Infantry in Vietnam in 1968-1970, I believe that they probably do. The 39th Cavalry Platoon, a unit consisting of four Air Cushioned Vehicles (ACVs), were regularly employed for operations in the 9th Infantry Division in the Delta. The ACV Platoon was introduced in the Delta to test the combat effectiveness of hovercraft. The platoon was commonly employed as a unit in anvil and hammer operations as blocking or flushing forces in conjunction with air assault operations and individually as mobility platforms to



A pair of ACVs in THE PLAIN OF REEDS - 1969

deploy Infantry platoons into ambush locations deep in the Plain of Reeds. While the picture does not show it, an ACV could hold a 20-24 man infantry platoon exposed on the platform and holding on to a rope line attached around the main housing. The ACVs were manned with a four-man crew which included a 50. cal MG station behind the driver and commander's seats. An ACV could practically go anywhere rapidly over land, water, and mud, any relatively flat surface. Mechanically, the ACV had more in common with aircraft than a conventional land vehicle. A 1,200-horsepower engine spun a large duct fan that inflated the "cushion" and a heavy rubber skirt contained the air pressure to lift the vehicle several feet above the ground. Propellered engines gave the ACV thrust and pushed the vehicle forward with air rudders used to control the direction.

OK! So, the ACV was an operational test. How effective was this innovative combat initiative? Overall, their employment was not evaluated as a great tactical success and did not gain acceptance as a standard system in the Army. The ACV was noisy. In fact, if you ever saw one, you could sure hear it coming long before you saw it. ACV were maintenance heavy and while the 50. cal MG was a great weapon it was hardly accurate atop an ACV. In addition, the ACV itself was a big target and totally unarmored. When employed with planned operations, the ACV could quickly put Infantry units in locations the VC and NVA did not expect. When guided by an overwatching helicopter in the Plain of Reeds it could accurately deploy small units not quickly or easily possible otherwise. There were many tactically successful operations with ACVs both by the whole platoon used as a flushing asset and individually to deploy ambushes. Bad news for the ACV unit occurred in August 1969, when an ACV detonated a booby trap killing the ACV crew, Major Graham, the ACV unit commander, and wounding 18 infantry soldiers. Later in 1969 and again in 1970, an ACV employed by 3rd Brigade, 9th Inf Division in the Plain of Reeds carrying an Infantry Platoon to ambush site hit unexploded US Air Force 250-pound bombs and the ACVs were destroyed. The almost good news from those two incidents was the limited number of casualties that resulted from those detonations due to the down draft of the air cushion. The bad news was that one soldier was killed in the 1970 incident.

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. **Prices on the web site and past newsletters are out of date.**

31st INFANTRY REGIMENT ASSOCIATION QUARTERMASTER STORE ORDER FORM

Name: _____ Telephone # _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Email: _____

Cat #	Description	Price	Qty	Total
B 102	Book, 31st Infantry Regiment "America's Foreign Legion" in Peace and War (Includes shipping) <u>Do not include this item in shipping cost at bottom of form</u>	\$ 40.00	X ____ =	_____
C 100	Coin, Commemorative, 100th Anniversary (if you order 10 or more the price is \$6.00 each).	\$ 8.00	X ____ =	_____
C100AT	Airtight capsule for 100th Anniversary Commemorative coin	\$ 1.00	X ____ =	_____
C100EB	Easel, black both the black and clear easels are for Airtight capsule with 100th	\$ 1.00	X ____ =	_____
C100EC	Easel, clear Anniversary Commemorative coin or the Commemorative coin alone	\$ 1.00	X ____ =	_____
C RB 01	Cap, Royal Blue, 31st INFANTRY REGIMENT, POLAR BEARS, and crest embroidered directly on cap a waving US flag on the left side and US ARMY embroidered on back.	\$ 24.00	X ____ =	_____
C RB	Cap same as C RB 01 above with the addition of a combat patch on the right side (Philippines Div., 7th Inf. Div., 196th Light Inf. Bde., 9th Inf. Div., 10th Mt Div.) (Circle the patch)	\$ 24.00	X ____ =	_____
C K 01	Khaki CAP! same as C RB 01 above but in Khaki and all embroidery is subdued.	\$ 24.00	X ____ =	_____
CK	Cap, Khaki; Same as CRB above except in Khaki with subdued embroidery on the right side. (Philippines Div., 7th Inf. Div., 196 Light Inf. Bde., 9th Inf. Div., 10th Mt. Div.) (circle the patch)			
SP	Shirt, Polo/golf w/31st INFANTRY REGIMENT and Polar Bear crest on left chest, no pocket Please circle color and size. Size S, M, L, XL White, Brilliant Blue, Navy Blue	\$ 32.00	X ____ =	_____
	Size 2XL White, Brilliant Blue, Navy Blue	\$ 34.00	X ____ =	_____
SP100	Same as above with 100th Anniversary logo in <u>White only</u> . Size: S, M, L, XL, 2XL, & 3XL Close out!	\$ 12.00	X ____ =	_____
ST	Shirt, Tee, w/31st INFANTRY REGIMENT and Polar Bear crest on left chest, no pocket (Circle color & size) Size : S, M, L, XL Color: Light Blue, Navy Blue	\$ 22.00	X ____ =	_____
	Size: 2XL Color: Light Blue, Navy Blue	\$ 24.00	X ____ =	_____
SLSVC	Shirt, Long Sleeve, Dress in various colors w/31st INFANTRY REGIMENT and Polar Bear crest on left chest above pocket. (Circle color and size) Size S, M, L, XL Colors: Black, Navy Blue, Light Blue, Red, White, Texas Orange, Size: 2XL Colors: Burgundy, classic Navy, or Denim	\$ 37.00	X ____ =	_____
MS 01	Shanghai Bowl Cup, silver, reproduction of original. (Includes shipping do not include at bottom)	\$ 165.00	X ____ =	_____
DCL 01	Bumper sticker, 31st Infantry crest (Polar Bear), 4-3/8" tall, 4-1/4 wide	\$ 3.00	X ____ =	_____
PN 01	Pin, 31st Infantry Regimental crest (Polar Bear), regulation size, facing set.	\$ 8.00	X ____ =	_____
PN 02	Pin, 31st Infantry Regimental crest (Polar Bear), lapel/hat pin 7/8" tall, 3/4" wide	\$ 4.00	X ____ =	_____
PN 73	Pin, Combat Infantry Badge, lapel/hat pin. 3/8" tall, 1-1/4" wide	\$ 3.00	X ____ =	_____
PN 74	Pin, Combat Infantry Badge, regulation size, 1-1/4" tall, 3" wide	\$ 4.00	X ____ =	_____
PN 82	Pin, Purple Heart, lapel/hat pin, 1-1/8" tall, 5/8" wide	\$ 3.00	X ____ =	_____
PN 85	Pin, Silver Star, lapel/hat pin, 1-1/8" tall, 5/8" wide	\$ 3.00	X ____ =	_____
PN 71	Pin, Bronze Star, lapel/hat pin, 1-1/8" tall, 5/8" wide	\$ 3.00	X ____ =	_____

SUBTOTAL \$ _____

SHIPPING CHARGES – add to your order: Orders under \$10.00 add \$3.00; Orders \$10.01 - \$25.00 add \$7.00.

Orders \$25.01 - \$50.00, add \$8.00; Orders over \$50.00, add \$9.00 to the subtotal line above: **SHIPPING** \$ _____

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Mail the order form and payment to: **Dale Mills, Quartermaster 337 Carillon Ln. Macon, GA 31210-9711**

If you have questions or would like a complete catalog, send your e-mail to Dale at: sdalem@bellsouth.net

Membership Application–31st US Infantry Regiment Association



First Name Nickname Middle Initial Last Name

Street Address City State Zip Code Phone Number

E-mailaddress Alternate E-mail Address

Please fill in as much information about your service/connection with the 31st Infantry Regiment as possible:

Platoon _____ Company _____ Battalion _____

Highest Award Earned

Rank & Duty Position when serving with the 31st Regiment Rank When Retired/Separated

Where did you serve with the 31st?

When?

Philippine	_____	_____
Japan	_____	_____
Korea	_____	_____
Vietnam	_____	_____
Iraq	_____	_____
Afghanistan	_____	_____
Other Overseas	_____	_____
USA	_____	_____

Membership Desired

Life Membership

Active Duty ___\$25
Age 49 & under ___\$60
Age 50 – 59 ___\$45
Age 60 & over ___\$35
Associate Life ___\$25

Member (family)

Make your check out to **31st Inf Regt Assn** and mail it to the Membership Chairman:

Jim Tierney, 1484 Loretta Drive, Penn Hills, PA 15235.

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Jim Tierney
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