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MOLINE, ROCK ISLAND, BETTENDORF, AND DAVENPORT - HERE WE COME!



The 2020 Reunion of the 31st US Infantry Regiment Association is set. All that is needed now is for the Soldiers, families, and friends of the 31st Infantry to register and join in the fun and camaraderie. The registration form, a listing of the daily events, and a flier that advertises our reunion are in this Newsletter. If you have not

put the dates of 19-23 September 2020 on your calendar do it now – That’s kind of like an “Order”. At the Quad Cities of Moline, IL; East Moline, IL; Rock Island, IL; Bettendorf, IA; and Davenport, IA. get ready – **Cause Here We Come!**



A CHOSEN ONE IS ACCOUNTED FOR - PFC JUNIOR C. EVANS

The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) announced that Army PFC Junior C. Evans, 20, of Hall County, Texas, killed during the Korean War, was accounted for August 7, 2019. In late 1950, Evans was a member of Company I, 3rd Battalion, 31st Infantry Regiment. He was reported MIA on Dec. 12, 1950, near the Chosin Reservoir, likely during a battle between November 27 and December 6, 1950. His remains could not be recovered. On July 27, 2018, after President Donald Trump and North Korean Supreme Leader Kim Jong-un met in June 2018, North Korea turned over 55 boxes purported to contain the remains of American service members. The remains arrived at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii on August 1, 2018 for identification. To identify Evans’ remains, scientists used anthropological analysis, as well as circumstantial and material evidence. Additionally, mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA) and autosomal DNA (auSTR) analysis was used. Evans’ name is recorded on the Courts of the Missing at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific in Honolulu, along with the others who are missing from the Korean War. A rosette will be placed next to his name to indicate he has been accounted for. Evans will be buried in Gilmer, Texas. The internment date has yet to be determined.

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REMAINS OF A WWII SOLDIER ARE ACCOUNTED FOR - SGT JOHN V. PHILLIPS

U.S. Army SGT John V. Phillips, 25, of Cassville, Missouri, who was captured and died as a POW during World War II, was accounted for on December 11, 2019. In December 1941, Phillips was a member of HQ Co, 31st Infantry, when Japanese forces invaded the Philippine Islands. Intense fighting continued until the surrender of the Bataan peninsula and Corregidor Island. After the surrender, thousands of Americans and Filipinos were sent to POW camps. Phillips was held at the Cabanatuan POW camp. More than 2,500 POWs perished in this camp during the war. According to prison camp and other historical records, Phillips died July 27, 1942, and was buried along with other deceased prisoners in the local Cabanatuan Camp Cemetery, in Common Grave 225. LTC Brady's Cabanatuan Roster indicates he died of malaria. Following the war, American Graves Registration Service (AGRS) personnel exhumed those buried at the Cabanatuan cemetery, but not all the remains could be individually identified. These remains were interred as "unknowns" in the present-day Manila American Cemetery and Memorial. In March 2018, remains associated with Common Grave 225 were disinterred and sent to the DPAA laboratory at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, for analysis. To identify Phillips' remains, scientists used dental and anthropological analysis as well as mtDNA analysis. Phillips' name is recorded on the Walls of the Missing at the Manila American Cemetery and Memorial, an American Battle Monuments Commission site. Although interred as "unknown" in Manila American Cemetery and Memorial, Phillips' grave was meticulously cared for over the past 70 years by the ABMC. A rosette will be placed next to his name to indicate he has been accounted for. Phillips will be buried at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia. The date has yet to be determined.



THE STORY OF AT ONE TIME THE OLDEST LIVING MEMBER OF OUR ASSOCIATION

Part Two of Five Parts - Composed by Ron Corson; Narrated and Lived by Farrell Lowe

The last edition of the newsletter contained Part One of the story of Farrell Lowe, who was several years ago the oldest living member of our Association who served in the Regiment from 1932 to 1936. I began composing the story after an engaging telephone call with Farrell. Part One ended with Pvt. Lowe receiving an unusually rapid promotion to PFC. The "Chick" Lowe story continues.

PFC Lowe continued his duties in the Regimental Message Center. The "Message Center" was not only the communications center, but also the section that kept and filed Army Regulations, Regimental Regulations/Orders. In late summer of 1935, Chick was promoted to Corporal. Again, at that time in the Army of the 1930's, that kind of rapid promotion was a very unusual event. CPL Lowe's work in the Message Center gave him the opportunity to read all kinds of Army Regulations. One that got his attention was one that gave the procedures and rules for Soldiers to apply for a commission as an officer in the US Army Reserve. So, in 1936, Chick completed the paperwork and applied for a commission as 2nd Lieutenant, Infantry Reserve. Chick told me he was certain it was through the machinations of First Sergeant Keyes and the SGM that the unheard of request reached the War Department. Several months later, orders came back from the War Department approving his request, providing that he was conversant with the Manual of Courts Martial and that he could command a Company in close and extended order drilling. Chick had no problem passing the Courts Martial Examination, but he knew that he could never pass command of a Company to the satisfaction of a panel of officers from the Regiment. He had never drilled except at the rear rank of a squad in F Company. In desperation, he requested a transfer from the message center back to F Company where he threw himself on the mercies of First Sergeant Keyes. Keyes laughed and told Chick to tell the Post Adjutant that Chick selected F Company as his demonstration Company. Now in those days, they only "Soldiered" in the morning. The

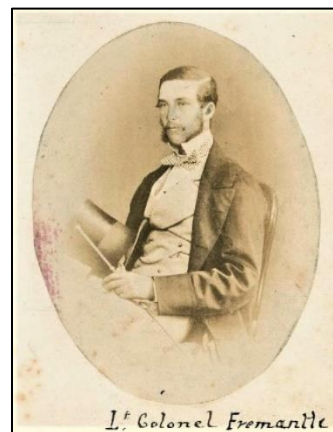
afternoons, as was common with the civilians, were designated for siestas. First Sergeant Keyes turned F Company out one afternoon and informed them of what Chick was trying to do. Apparently, a lot of the members of F Company remembered the “Raw West Point Deal” that Farrell had received as a member of F Company and seemingly welcomed the opportunity to “Show Off”. On the day appointed for the demonstration, Sergeant Major Screen had bleachers erected against the outer walls of the old walled city of Manila near Rizal Plaza. The demonstration company was located across the old sunken gardens approximately 50 yards from the reviewing officers. Another strange thing happened. The 31st Infantry Band had no apparent need of a special drilling, but when F Company appeared it so happened that the 31st Infantry Band was there also to “Practice”. Setting the scene, the band was playing, the flags were flying, the spectators were applauding and F Company with Chick in command but the orders were being given by First Sergeant Keyes and F Company gave a great demonstration at close and extended order drilling. The reviewing officers’ vote was six yes and one no. Several months later, Chick received his order/identification card making him a 2nd Lieutenant of Infantry Reserves. However, remember in those days active duty was active duty and holding a commission in the Reserve Army still made you just a CPL on active duty. And so ends Part Two of the Chick Lowe story - to be continued.

Leadership in the Confederate Army

From “The Fremantle Diary: Being the Journal of Lieutenant Colonel Arthur James Lyon Fremantle, Coldstream Guards, on his Three Months in the Southern States.”

During the first half of 1863, Lieutenant Colonel Arthur Fremantle of Britain’s Coldstream Guard rode for three months with Confederate Forces. He was present at the Battle of Gettysburg. This excerpt is from the June 2, 1863 entry in his diary:

Colonel Grenfell told me that the only way in which an officer could acquire influence over the Confederate soldiers was by his personal conduct under fire. They hold a man in great esteem who in action sets them an example of contempt for danger; but they think nothing of an officer who is not in the habit of leading them. In fact, such a man could not possibly retain his position. Colonel Grenfell’s expression was, “every atom of authority has to be purchased by a drop of your blood.” Seems that Soldiers have known for some time that “Leaders” lead from the front!



REUNION 2020 - QUAD CITIES – SEPTEMBER 19-23

ITINERARY FOR REUNION 2020 - 31ST US INFANTRY REGIMENT ASSOCIATION

DAY ONE: Saturday 9/19/2020

12:00-17:00: Registration open. Lobby. 2nd Floor Conference Center & QM Store Open Salon 1 2nd Floor.

12:00-17:00: Association Hospitality Room open. Retreat Room. 2nd Floor Conference Center.

16:00-20:00: Visit Quad Cities info booth Hallway 2nd Floor.

16:00-21:00: Dinner and time to explore on your own.

DAY TWO: Sunday 9/20/2020

07:00-09:30: Breakfast Served in the Rock Island Ale House.

10:00-11:00: **31st Infantry Memorial Service.** Salon 1 & 2. 2nd Floor Conference Center.

11:00-21:00: Association Hospitality Room open. Retreat Room. 2nd Floor Conference Center.

11:30-13:30: Lunch and time to explore on your own.

17:30-20:30: Welcome Cocktail Reception.& BBQ Dinner - Grand Ballroom. 2nd Floor Conference Center.

DAY THREE: Monday 9/21/2020

07:00-09:30: Breakfast Served in the attached Rock Island Ale House.

09:00: Association Hospitality Room opens. Retreat Room. 2nd Floor Conference Center.

09:00-12:00: Registration Desk & Welcome Table open. Lobby. 2nd Floor Conference Center.

09:00-10:30: General Membership Meeting. Salon 3. 2nd Floor Conference Center.

11:00-13:00: Lunch on your own.

12:30-16:30: Rock Island Arsenal Tour. Meet in Lobby on the first floor by 12:15.

15:00-15:30: **Raffle Drawing & Silent Auction Final Hours**

Registration Table. 2nd floor Conference Center.

17:00-21:00: Celebration Belle Caption & Dance Cruise. Meet at dock by 16:30

Address: 2501 River Drive Moline, IL 61265.

DAY FOUR: Tuesday 9/22/2020

09:00-11:00: John Deere Pavilion & Store. Meet at JDP by 8:45.

Address: 1400 River Drive Moline, IL 61265.

17:30: Reception and Cocktails – Grand Ballroom 2nd Floor Conf Center

18:30: Posting of the Colors & Invocation, Dinner and Guest Speakers
. Grand Ballroom. 2nd Floor Conference Center.

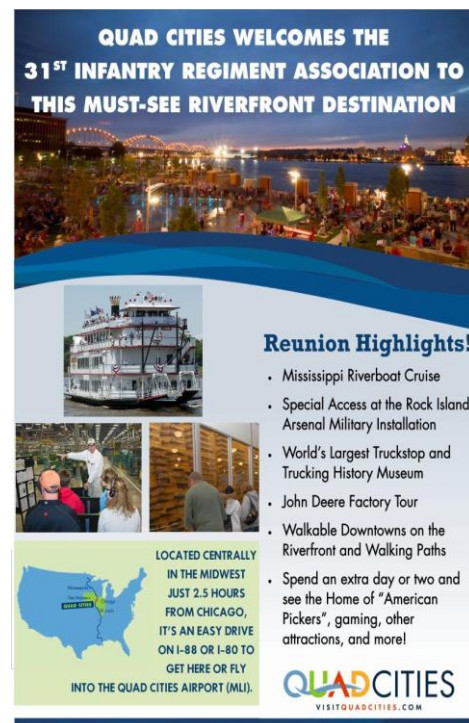
20:30-22:00: The Shanghai Bowl Ceremony and Formal Toasts to the 31st US Infantry Regiment. Grand Ballroom. 2nd Floor Conference Center.

DEPARTURE DAY: Wednesday 9/23/2020

09:30-Whenever: The Goodbyes. **See you at the next Association Reunion!**

Place and dates TBA based on member votes and changes to the Association Constitution. Stay tuned!

Unless noted all evening activities, off-site activities and Company Dinners are on your own.
Free time can be used for exploring the area or for Unit Dinners.



**QUAD CITIES WELCOMES THE
31ST INFANTRY REGIMENT ASSOCIATION TO
THIS MUST-SEE RIVERFRONT DESTINATION**

Reunion Highlights!

- Mississippi Riverboat Cruise
- Special Access at the Rock Island Arsenal Military Installation
- World's Largest Truckstop and Trucking History Museum
- John Deere Factory Tour
- Walkable Downtowns on the Riverfront and Walking Paths
- Spend an extra day or two and see the Home of "American Pickers", gaming, other attractions, and more!

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31st US Infantry Regiment Association
Sept 19-23, 2020

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 Holiday Inn Rock Island 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	\$27	x _____		\$ _____
Rock Island Arsenal Tour	\$15	x _____		\$ _____
Celebration Dinner Cruise	\$60	x _____		\$ _____
Reunion Banquet	\$40	x _____		\$ _____
John Deere Factory Tour	\$15	x _____		\$ _____
Grand Total				\$ _____

Make checks payable to: **31st US Infantry Regiment Association Attn: Joe DeAngelis 3035 El Rio Dr Meridian Idaho 83642**

Hotel and Travel Information: Holiday Inn & Conference Center 226 17th Street Rock Island, IL 61201 Reserve Room at (309-794-1212)	Total Cost is \$85.00/night including tax and a Hot Breakfast every morning Quad City International Airport (MOL) Free airport / Hotel Shuttle Moline Airport serviced by all major carriers. www.holidayinn.com/rockisland
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What's Happening in the 4th Battalion



Right after 4-31 returned to Fort Drum from its deployment to Afghanistan, the unit was busy taking care of garrison business with Soldiers departing and new Polar Bears arriving, getting equipment squared away, and giving the Soldiers some well-earned time off. In November the, battalion celebrated its return with a battalion formal and then there was the Christmas schedule and a chance for many Polar Bears to have some time at home. But like any good unit, in January combat skills training was the order of the day. As of 31 January, the battalion completed day and night platoon live fire tactical exercises to hone platoon level tactical skills (fire and maneuver) under simulated combat conditions. The next months will bring more tough training, but for now, as HQ elements of 10th Mountain Division and the 1st Brigade begin a deployment to Afghanistan, 4-31 Infantry has no combat deployments on its schedule. Pro Patria - The Polar Bears of the 4th Battalion.

The 31st Infantry's First Winter in Siberia

(taken with editorial changes from The 31st Infantry Regiment A History of "America's Foreign Legion" – pages 29-30)

The first three months of 1919 were extremely cold, but US Army winter clothing was surprisingly suitable for Siberia's climate. It consisted of a woolen shirt, woolen trousers, a woolen jacket, a three-quarter length sheep-lined overcoat, muskrat cap, muskrat gloves, and heavy four-buckle overshoes. In the picture to the right Alf Thompson is in the middle of this photo taken in the winter of 1919. Troops were armed with an M1903 Springfield rifle, an M1918 Browning Automatic Rifle (BAR), or an M1911 .45 caliber pistol, depending on their duties. All of those were still new at the time, representing the state of the art in infantry weapons. Soldiers who fought in Korea 30 years later would still be using the BAR and the trusty .45 caliber pistol would remain in service into the 1990s. The regiment's heaviest weapons were three horse-drawn 37mm field guns with a range of up to 2500 yards. Each was served by a two-man crew.



The picture at the left below shows an American Soldier guarding the front gate of the allied Mine Detachment HQ. During the Siberian deployment, disease became a major issue for 31st Infantry Soldiers. In the early 1900s, sources of contagious diseases were becoming better understood, but gaps in medical and sanitation knowledge still left soldiers vulnerable to a wide variety of deadly germs. An influenza epidemic swept the world in 1918, killing over twenty million people, including thousands of American soldiers. Twice in the early months of 1919, Headquarters Company was quarantined due to outbreaks of spinal meningitis. Among those stricken was Carl Boling, the regiment's Sergeant Major. Each time

a case of influenza occurred in Vladivostok; everyone feared the worst. During the regiment's service in Siberia, 59 of its members would succumb to disease or non-battle injuries.



TAPS

Deceased members identified since Newsletter # 92, March 2019

World War II

Curtis G. Davis, unkn, Burlington, NC, died June 7, 2009, unit unkn, 1941 - 1945

Joseph Q. Johnson, SGT, Sun City West, AZ, died Jun 24, 2017, Co D, 1st Bn, 1941 - 1945

Pre-Korean War

Robert J. Billeter, PFC, Weston, WV, died Nov 30, 2019, Cos E & HHC, Bn, 1946

Robert L. Hamilton, PFC, Sheldon, IA, died Apr 27, 2019, unit unkn, 1946-47

Robert G. Loundagin, PFC, Pleasanton, CA, died May 7, 2004, G Co, 1st Bn, 1947

Leo C. Simms, TSGT, Madison, WI, died Apr 17, 2011, Svc, Rgt, 1947 - 1949

John E. Topa, PFC, Michigan City, IN, died Mar 18, 2019, Anti Tk, Regt, 1946 - 1947

Glenn H. Wemple, PFC, Milford, CA, died Feb 17, 2017, Co I, 3rd Bn, 1946

Korea War

Robert F. Christman, CPL, New Hyde Park, NY, died Jun 7, 2018, Cos C & Svc, 1st Bn, 1953 - 1954

John J. "Jack" Considine, CPL, Torrington, CT, died May 25, 2019, Co B, 1st Bn, 1952 - 1953

John F. Dooley, unkn, Caledonia, MI, died Jan 8, 2009, unit and period unkn

Donald N. Escott, PFC, Tampa, FL, died Nov 15, 2019, HHC, 2nd and 3rd Bns, 1949 - 1951

Robert D. Fenstemacher, PFC, Chaplin, MN, died Oct 22, 2017, 57th FA, 1952 - 1953

James R. Hickey, Dr., SGT, Ettrick, WI, died Apr 1, 2019, Co G, 2nd Bn, 1952

John R. Jarvis, CPL, Arnold, MO, died Mar 22, 2019, Co G, 2nd Bn, 1951 - 1952

Donald M. Lesch, CWO, Ocala, FL, died Oct 9, 2018, Hq, Rgt, 1952

Charles A. Lonsford, MAJ, Sheridan, OR, died Aug 31, 2016, unit unkn, 1950

Edward J. Prem, PFC, Loganville, WI, died May 12, 2019, Co I, 2nd Bn, 1952 - 1953

Peter Rivenburg, CPL, Reno, NV, died Jul 6, 2007, Co A, 1st Bn, 1953

Daniel L. Royse, SGT, Columbia, KY, died Sep 15, 2006, unit unkn, 1953

Bevan H. Toneri, CPL, Marysville, WV, died Sep 22, 2019, HHC, Rgt, 1952 - 1953

Richard C. Vallowe, CPL, Belleville, IL, died Mar 19, 2019, 57th Field Artillery, 1949 - 1950

Correction in NL 91 TAPs

Fredrick H. Walters, Cambridge City, IN, died Oct 20, 2016, Co I, 3rd Bn, period unkn

Post Korean War

Ernest A. Manerchia, Jr., SGT, West Grove, PA, died Jan 17, 2017, HHC, 1st Bn, 1986 - 1987

Vietnam

Charles E. Barr, Sr., SGT, Lyons, IL, died Mar 14, 2018, Co D, 6th Bn, 1968 - 1969

Donald W. Bellinger, SGT, Logsden, OR, died Oct 10, 2019, Co D, 6th Bn, 1968 - 1969

Richard A. Carruthers, SGT, Napa, CA, died Jun 27, 2015, Co C, 6th Bn, 1970

Cecil M. "Hank" Henry, COL ret, Corpus Christi, TX, died Jan 8, 2019, Cdr, 4th Bn, 1969

Harry L. Lower, SGT, Mount Vernon, WA, died unkn, Co D, 6th Bn, 1969 - 1970

William B. McMullen, SP4, Wellington, FL, died Feb 12, 2019, Co C, 6th Bn, 1968 - 1969

Bryan McMullen, Anchorage, AK, died Nov 16, 2018, son of William McMullen, 6th Bn

Orville "Mike" Pentico, SFC ret, Crocker, MO, died Nov 1, 2016, Co B, 6th Bn, period unkn

James D. Quisenberry, MAJ ret, Louisville, KY, died Sept 6, 2018, Cos A & D, 6th Bn, 1967 - 1969

Vietnam and Korea

Floyd B. Brooks, SFC, Gastonia, NC, died Aug 19, 2003, Co L, 3rd Bn, 1952 - 1953,

Co A, 4th Bn, 1966 - 1967

Associate

Ruth E. Reagan, Jenks, OK, date died unkn, husband, unit and period unkn

NEW MEMBERS

Life Members

David M. Atwood, MAJ ret, Moravia, NY, HHC, 1st Bn, Korea, 1984

Albert "Al" J. Kramer, PFC, Spring Hill, FL, Co D, 2nd Bn, Korea, 1958 – 1960

Kenneth C. Robinson, SP4, Haslet, TX, Co B, 4th Bn, VN, 1966 - 1967

31st INFANTRY REGIMENT ASSOCIATION QUARTERMASTER STORE ORDER FORM

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B 102	Book, 31 st Infantry Regiment "America's Foreign Legion" In peace and war(Includes shipping) Do not include this in shipping cost at bottom of form	\$ 40.00	X ____ =	_____
C 100	Coin, Commemorative, 100 th Anniversary (if you order 10 or more the price is \$8.00 each).	\$ 10.00	X ____ =	_____
C100AT	Air Tight capsule for 100 th Anniversary Commemorative coin	\$ 1.50	X ____ =	_____
C100EB	Easel, black <u>both the black and clear easels are for Air Tight capsule with 100th</u>	\$ 1.50	X ____ =	_____
C100EC	Easel, clear <u>Anniversary Commemorative coin or the Commemorative coin alone</u>	\$ 1.50	X ____ =	_____
C RB 02	Cap, Royal Blue , 31 st INFANTRY REGIMENT, POLAR BEARS, and crest embroidered directly directly on cap and US ARMY embroidered on back.	\$ 15.00	X ____ =	_____
C RB	Cap same as C RB 02 above with the addition of a waving U.S. flag on the left side and a combat patch (Philippines Division; 7 th Infantry Division; 196 Light Infantry Brigade; 9 th Infantry Division; 10 th Mountain Div) on the right side. Circle the patch you want.	\$18.00	X ____ =	_____
C K	NEW CAP! same as C RB above but in Khaki with a waving U.S. flag on the left side and a combat patch (Philippines Division; 7 th Infantry Division; 196 Light Infantry Brigade; 9 th Infantry Division; 10 th Mountain Division) on the right side. Circle the patch you want). All embroidery is subdued.	\$18.00	X ____ =	_____
SP	Shirt, Polo/golf w/31 st INFANTRY REGIMENT and polar bear crest on left chest, no pocket Please circle color and size. Size S, M, L, XL White, Light Blue, Navy Blue Size 2XL White, Light Blue, Navy Blue	\$ 29.00 \$ 31.00	X ____ = X ____ =	_____ _____
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ST	Shirt, Tee, w/31 st INFANTRY REGIMENT and polar bear crest on left chest, no pocket Please circle color and size. Size S, M, L, XL Light Blue, Navy Blue Size 2XL Light Blue, Navy Blue Size 3XL Light Blue, Navy Blue	\$ 16.00 \$ 19.00 \$ 21.00	X ____ = X ____ = X ____ =	_____ _____ _____
SLSVC	Shirt, Long Sleeve, Dress in various colors w/31 st INFANTRY REGIMENT and polar bear crest on left chest above pocket. Please circle color and size. Size S, M, L, XL Colors: Black, Navy Blue, Light Blue, Red, White, Texas Orange, Burgundy, Size 2XL or Denim Size 3XL	\$ 30.00 \$ 32.00 \$ 36.00	X ____ = X ____ = X ____ =	_____ _____ _____
MS 01	Shanghai Bowl Cup, silver, 2007 reproduction of original. (Includes shipping) Do not include this in shipping cost at bottom of form	\$165.00	X ____ =	_____
DCL 01	Bumper sticker, 31 st Infantry crest (Polar Bear), 4-3/8" tall, 4-1/4 wide	\$ 3.00	X ____ =	_____
PN 01	Pin, 31 st Infantry Regimental crest (Polar Bear) , regulation size, facing set.	\$ 8.00	X ____ =	_____
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PN 73	Pin, Combat Infantry Badge, lapel/hat pin. 3/8" tall, 1-1/4" wide	\$ 3.00	X ____ =	_____
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Membership Application – 31st US Infantry Regiment Association



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Platoon_____ Company_____ Battalion_____

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Rank & Duty Position when serving with the 31 st Regiment	Rank When Retired/Separated
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Where did you serve with the 31st?

When?

Philippines _____

Japan _____

Korea _____

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Other Overseas _____

USA _____

Membership Desired

Life Membership

Active Duty _____\$25

Age 49 & under _____\$60

Age 50 – 59 _____\$45

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Associate Life _____\$25

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Annual Membership per Year

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Prior Member of 31st Unit _____\$10

Associate Member (family) _____\$5

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