

ASA HELEMANO MEMBER PROFILES

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Abrahamson, Ray S

Nickname Lt. Col. **Rank** Lt. Col. **Co**

Spouse Joan **Hometown**

Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1956 **Years To**

Civilian Occupation Food Processing Industry-Project Engineer for Starkist

Special Hobbies Travel, History, Hiking, Music, and Wood Working

Favorite Memory

Worst Memory

Children 2 **Grandchildren** 2

Special Comments

Addison, John W

Nickname **Rank** E3-E6 **Co**

Spouse Rebecca **Hometown** Battle Creek, MI

Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1949 **Years To** 1952

Civilian Occupation Substitute Rural Mail Carrier

Special Hobbies Stamp Collecting, Gardening

Favorite Memory

Worst Memory

Children 4 **Grandchildren** 4

Special Comments

Aiello, Leo J

Nickname Gringo **Rank** Cpl **Co** ASA 8605th AAU

Spouse Macaria **Hometown** Boston, MA

Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1949 **Years To** 1952

Civilian Occupation US Immigration Inspector

Special Hobbies Was Bowling, Now Music. I play a little piano and trumpet

Favorite Memory In the last softball season and not knowing whether I was safe or out.

Worst Memory When it rained hard in '49 and the walls caved in to get us soaking wet.

Children 8 **Grandchildren** 14

Special Comments I have been waiting for a long time for such an event. It would be nice to see the eight or nine guys that were in my barracks.

Causey, Cloy N

Nickname _____ **Rank** SGT **Co** _____
Spouse Barbara B. **Hometown** Jackson, MS
Unit FS 8605TH **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1952
Civilian Occupation Electrical Engineering
Special Hobbies _____
Favorite Memory _____
Worst Memory _____
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments _____

Chambers, Walter L

Nickname Walt **Rank** S/Sgt **Co** ASA 8605th AAU
Spouse Agnes **Hometown** Philadelphia, PA
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1955
Civilian Occupation Bell Telephone Co. Systems Technician
Special Hobbies Biking, Hunting, Hiking, Swimming
Favorite Memory Leaving
Worst Memory Arriving (it was very remote)
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments _____

Chiles, Norman H

Nickname _____ **Rank** SP3 **Co** _____
Spouse Bobbie **Hometown** Cheraw, CO
Unit FS 8605TH **Years From** 1956 **Years To** 1958
Civilian Occupation Highway and Heavy Construction
Special Hobbies Golf
Favorite Memory Monitoring Sputnik's orbits
Worst Memory _____
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments _____

Christgau, John E

Nickname Ed **Rank** SP3 **Co** ASA 755th AAU
Spouse Peggy **Hometown** Minneapolis, MN
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1955 **Years To** 1957
Civilian Occupation Writer
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory Col McGerrow "The 19th Hole"
Worst Memory Sgt Robinson! (Trick 2)
Children 3 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Coll, Edward T

Nickname Ed **Rank** TE **Co** 5th ASA Field Sta
Spouse Susie **Hometown** Willdughby, OH
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1947-07 **Years To** 1949-07
Civilian Occupation Electronics Technician (Retired)
Special Hobbies Computer, Collect Postage Stamps
Favorite Memory EVERY INDIVIDUAL Captain to Private, was a good guy!
Worst Memory Ham every day for 3 or 4 months. Reconstituted Milk entire tour!
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 8
Special Comments The most compatible group of people I have ever known, Military or Civilian. First thing back in States, I drank a quart of whole Milk! Would not eat ham for a year or more.

Cope, Billy Joe

Nickname BJ **Rank** E-6 **Co** 5th Det
Spouse Loritta (Deceased) **Hometown** Bakersfield, CA
Unit FS 8605TH **Years From** 1948 **Years To** 1952
Civilian Occupation Pipefitter, AG&R Installer, AG&R Instructor Appliance Repair. Presently trying to forget how to do anything (hardest part of being retired)
Special Hobbies Country and Bluegrass music collecting and Gardening
Favorite Memory Ron Haynes in the blanket toss
Worst Memory The day a footlocker named DF, broke my jaw
Children 7 **Grandchildren** 21
Special Comments I would like to teach you other haoles how to make GOOD Teriyaki Steak. NOT THE JAPANESE WAY.

Davisson, Jack A

Nickname **Rank** 1st Lt **Co** 5th ASA Fld Sta
Spouse **Hometown** Akron, OH
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1955 **Years To** 1958
Civilian Occupation Management
Special Hobbies Golf, Travel, Boating
Favorite Memory Friends
Worst Memory Burning security trash in the rain
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Decker, Edward W

Nickname **Rank** Sgt **Co** ASA 8605th AAU
Spouse Spouse Deceased **Hometown** Philadelphia, PA
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1955
Civilian Occupation Computer Systems Analyst
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Deso, Richard W

Nickname Dick **Rank** SP2 **Co** ASA 8605th AAU
Spouse Alice **Hometown** Worcester, MA
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1955 **Years To** 1956
Civilian Occupation Boy Scouts of America, Youth Organization Executive Director
Special Hobbies Electronics, Bowling, Fishing
Favorite Memory Had some great times. A fishing trip with the unit boat and we had to be rescued by the Coast Guard.
Worst Memory Trying to Catch a radio falling from a shelf in Supply, was injured across my wrists (more later)
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments I was pleasantly surprised to learn of the possibility of the Reunion. Had to search to find old pictures and material. Hope we can go to the Reunion.

Gibson, John Francis

Nickname
Rank SP 3/c **Co** 5th ASA
Spouse Amelia Christina **Hometown** Meadville, PA
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1954 **Years To** 1957

Civilian Occupation Tool and Die Maker

Special Hobbies Hunting, Hiking, and Bike Riding for pleasure

Favorite Memory I had a small motorcycle which I bought from a fellow serviceman that was leaving shortly after I arrived. It was a 98cc air cooled model which I then sold to someone else a short time before I left. I enjoyed riding around the island and going to many unseen and unusual places. I also went places with several men whose names I don't remember any more. Three of us, one of whom owned a car, (a 1949 or '50 Ford I believe) went to the "Pali" to experience the view and the wind. The fellow who owned the car was afraid to drive back down from the mountain because the road was narrow and only two lanes. I drove down. Another fellow serviceman owned a Buick, a late 1940's model. He and another man were caught and fined by the police for picking a trunk full of ripe pineapples from a field, or so I was told later. Another friend, I believe it was the one who owned the Buick, and I went for a hike one day on a trail behind Helemano into the mountains toward the US Marine Naval Air Station of the East side of the Island. If I remember right it was a 5 or 6 mile hike in one direction and we had a great time and enjoyed it very much. I also remember the time 2 or 3 of us took a couple of the local girls to a beach on the Southwest side of the Island and ended up spending the night. I think one of the men was the Buick owner, but I'm not sure. We did nothing to dehumanize or disgrace the girls or ourselves. One of the men married a local girl and I attended their wedding. They spent their honeymoon on the Island of Kauhi where her father had a cabin. If I remember right he was from the State of Mississippi, but I can't recall his name. He and his wife, (girlfriend at the time) may have been the couple who spent the night on the beach with us.

Worst Memory The time I borrowed the 1949 or '50 Ford from my friend. Another friend and I took it to Honolulu to see a show or movie of some sort. On the way back, around Pearl City, a pickup truck with 3 local boys in it, passed me at a high rate of speed and cut back in to quickly. They hit the front fender and bumper of the Ford which caused some damage, but did not affect the front wheel or steering. They did not stop, so we headed for the police station. We were stopped shortly by a policeman who saw what happened and were taken back to where the pickup had stopped at an all night Hamburger stand. The friend who owned the car had it fixed at a body shop which laid the car up for a while. I never found out who paid to have the car fixed or what happened to the boy who was driving the pickup or what he was charged with

Children 3 **Grandchildren** 2

Special Comments

Hill, Glenn L

Nickname **Rank** SP2 **Co** ASA 8605th AAU
Spouse Jane **Hometown** Fleetwood, Pa
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1953 **Years To** 1956
Civilian Occupation Electronics Sr Operator
Special Hobbies Sports
Favorite Memory Hawaii Locale
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Holsinger, John R

Nickname **Rank** Spec 3 **Co** ASA 8605th AAU
Spouse Linda **Hometown** Harrisonburg, VA
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1956 **Years To** 1958
Civilian Occupation Professor
Special Hobbies Caves, Carving, Travel, Research
Favorite Memory Trip to big Island Waikiki
Worst Memory Feeling of Isolation on small island
Children 0 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Hoyt, Earl

Nickname Bud **Rank** Sp4 **Co**
Spouse Bernie **Hometown** Fairlawn, NJ
Unit FS 8605TH **Years From** 1955-05 **Years To** 1956-05
Civilian Occupation Industrial Designer-Product & Package Innovation & Development
Special Hobbies Outdoor activities and Watercolor Artist
Favorite Memory Touch Football on the Main Lawn
Worst Memory A steady diet of cold sandwiches while on night duty
Children 2 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Johnson, Urbin Lloyd

Nickname Johnny **Rank** CP1 **Co** ASA 8605th AAU

Spouse Lura Mae **Hometown** Benton Harbor, MI

Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1949-07 **Years To** 1952-08

Civilian Occupation Retired after 22 1/2 Yrs service. Worked with Whirlpool's Research & Engineering for 7 1/2 Yrs

Special Hobbies Doing some art work

Favorite Memory Helping the stoneface Major build a High Fi set

Worst Memory

Children 3 **Grandchildren** 4

Special Comments We would have enjoyed taking part in an 8605th Reunion. I put Urbin in the VA Nursing home in Battle Creek, MI June 6th. He has Dementia. Our youngest son was a helicopter pilot killed in Vietnam June 8, 1969. Our two oldest boys are married & live in Va. Mae Johnson

Jungen, Marvin E

Nickname **Rank** Sgt **Co** ASA 8605th AAU

Spouse Anne **Hometown** La Crosse, WI

Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1955

Civilian Occupation Cryptographer

Special Hobbies Watching Sports especially Football

Favorite Memory Steak at Kemoo's on Pay Day

Worst Memory None

Children 3 **Grandchildren** 0

Special Comments Does anyone remember IHTFP?

Karaszewski, Ronald R

Nickname Ron/Smitty **Rank** Sgt **Co** ASA 8605th AAU

Spouse Claudia **Hometown** Amsterdam, NY

Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1954 **Years To** 1957

Civilian Occupation Business Executive

Special Hobbies Woodworking, Computers, Furniture refinishing, Traveling

Favorite Memory Puka

Worst Memory Bad sunburn first time on beach

Children 2 **Grandchildren** 3

Special Comments

Karrick, Howard

Nickname Cy **Rank** Sgt **Co** 5th ASA Fld St
Spouse Betty **Hometown** Carlinville, IL
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1949 **Years To** 1952
Civilian Occupation Coal Miner
Special Hobbies Sports, Fishing
Favorite Memory Beach, Basketball team
Worst Memory K P !!
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Kerr, Richard L

Nickname Dick **Rank** Major (Ret) **Co** ASA 8605th AAU
Spouse Barbara **Hometown** Medford, MA
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1953 **Years To** 1955
Civilian Occupation Electronic Warfare Analyst (Government Contract)
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory Beach Picnics & 19th Hole
Worst Memory None
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Kirby, George T

Nickname **Rank** 1st Lt **Co** 5th ASA Fld St
Spouse Anne **Hometown** Roanoke, AL
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1955 **Years To** 1957
Civilian Occupation Supervisory Electronics Engineer (Retired 1994)
Special Hobbies Genealogy, Swimming, Fishing
Favorite Memory Snorkeling at Waikiki Beach, Dancing in Honolulu, Eating Juicy Ripe Pineapples, Playing scrabble with Capt Roberts of the 25th Infantry Division
Worst Memory Losing my good BOQ room to the Chief of Staff at Schofield Barrack. Also, when I arrived at the 8605th I was assigned as the motor pool officer and assistant mess and supply officer until my final clearance was processed. During that assignment, I experienced a standby motor pool/vehicle inspection by the Lt. Col during a Cona storm. Each driver stood by his vehicle with the hood up while I escorted the Col through the inspection. The rain was so heavy that one could hardly see the next vehicle in line. Instead of pouring down, the rain was blown horizontally into our faces.
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Luke, Robert H

Nickname Luke **Rank** S/Sgt **Co** ASA 8605th AAU
Spouse Beverly Ann **Hometown** Detroit, MI
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1949 **Years To** 1953
Civilian Occupation Die Designer
Special Hobbies Golf, Fishing, and Hunting
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 8 **Grandchildren** 13
Special Comments

MacBain, Roger

Nickname Mac **Rank** Cpl **Co** 5th ASA Fld Sta
Spouse Joan **Hometown** Holland, Pa
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1948-11 **Years To** 1950-05
Civilian Occupation Machinist, Inspector
Special Hobbies Youth Athletics
Favorite Memory Basketball, Baseball
Worst Memory None
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 8
Special Comments

Macchiarulo, Anthony

Nickname Tony **Rank** T/4 **Co**
Spouse Toni **Hometown** Norwalk, CT
Unit FS 8605TH **Years From** 1947 **Years To** 1948
Civilian Occupation Sales Engineer Heating and Air Conditioning
Special Hobbies Fishing, Boating, Traveling
Favorite Memory The Comradery
Worst Memory The Barracks
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 9
Special Comments

Meyer, Lawrence N D

Nickname Primo **Rank** Cpl **Co**

Spouse Jean (Deceased) **Hometown** Waverly, Al

Unit FS 8605TH **Years From** 1952-11 **Years To** 1954-12

Civilian Occupation Aerospace Engineering Operations Mgr, Retired

Special Hobbies Genealogy, Wood Carving

Favorite Memory R Don Bulla and I purchased a car for \$50.00 and between us we couldn't pay for it and had to finance it for 6 months

Worst Memory Mid Shifts

Children 2 **Grandchildren** 2

Special Comments

Meyers, Richard M

Nickname Dick **Rank** SP-2 (T) **Co**

Spouse Lois **Hometown** Linden, NJ

Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1955-05 **Years To** 1956-12

Civilian Occupation 1. Construction of Laboratory Electronic Prototypes 2. Corporate Administration

Special Hobbies Community dance forms, Travel

Favorite Memory Location

Worst Memory Trip back to the States on the Ainsworth

Children 2 **Grandchildren** 1

Special Comments Greetings!

Miller, David R

Nickname Dave **Rank** Tech/Sgt **Co**

Spouse Irma **Hometown** Lansdale, PA

Unit FS 8605TH **Years From** 1953 **Years To** 1955

Civilian Occupation Tool Maker, Model Maker

Special Hobbies Some fishing, beach combing, some gardening and puttering in my shed/shop.

Favorite Memory Snorkeling, Fishing on Atch's Ark, going to the beach

Worst Memory

Children 2 **Grandchildren** 8

Special Comments

Mitchell, Joseph J

Nickname Joe **Rank** E-4 **Co** 5th ASA
Spouse Sandra **Hometown** Bethlehem, PA
Unit FS 8605TH **Years From** 1957-02 **Years To** 1959-06
Civilian Occupation Clinical Psychologist
Special Hobbies Reading, Bird Watching, Gardening
Favorite Memory Play football on the front lawn
Worst Memory Being chewed out by Captain Chick Powell
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 6
Special Comments

Moder, J Fred

Nickname **Rank** Staff Sgt **Co** ASA 8605th AAU
Spouse Diane **Hometown** Pittsburgh, Pa
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1952
Civilian Occupation Engineer
Special Hobbies Gardening
Favorite Memory Moving out of the old wooden barracks with screens into the new building with glass windows and doors on the rooms .
Worst Memory None
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments I am sorry to miss the Reunion, but it conflicts with travel arrangements my wife and I have to visit our son and his family in Bangkok, Thailand during January & February. I look forward to the next Reunion!

Moe, Donald N

Nickname Moe **Rank** SP5 **Co** Hq Co 5th USASA
Spouse **Hometown** Minneapolis, MN
Unit FS 8605TH **Years From** 1955-07 **Years To** 1957-05
Civilian Occupation Heavy Equipment Distributor/Dealer-Vice President
Special Hobbies Golf
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 8
Special Comments

Myers, Billy C

Nickname **Rank** SP3 (T) **Co**

Spouse Helen **Hometown** Doyle, TN

Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1954 **Years To** 1956

Civilian Occupation Electrical Maintenance for the Aerostructures Corp in Nashville, TN

Special Hobbies Early History of the Christian Church

Favorite Memory The job, friends & the Islands

Worst Memory Lost at sea off the coast when the engine in our fishing boat stopped

Children 5 **Grandchildren** 12

Special Comments

Nabaratte, Ricardo

Nickname Rick **Rank** E-6 **Co**

Spouse Judith Ann **Hometown** Waipahu, Oahu, Hawaii

Unit FS 8605TH **Years From** 1947 to 1949 **Years To** 1951 to 195

Civilian Occupation Real Estate Broker

Special Hobbies Interested in finance and watch sports on television

Favorite Memory Just knowing all the wonderful times I spent with the guys

Worst Memory Pulling K. P. (I used to sell my K. P.)

Children 3 **Grandchildren** 6 / 6- Great

Special Comments It is great to be in touch with my long lost friends of 40 to 50 years ago. My eyes got misty when I saw the roster of comrades who have passed away. Some of them, I knew pretty well. God bless them all, and thanks to George Akerheim for all his efforts in starting this daunting project. Also thanks to Russ Koelmel in his search efforts. Mahalo and Aloha, Rick Nabarrete

Nelson, Robert E

Nickname Bob **Rank** PFC-SFC **Co** Main

Spouse Betty **Hometown** Elmer, NJ

Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1948-09 **Years To** 1952-05

Civilian Occupation US Civil Service Engineering Specialist, Now Retired

Special Hobbies Collecting Antique tools, constructing puzzles

Favorite Memory Not necessarily my favorite, but I recall a 1949 notice on bulletin board asking enlisted men to wear proper uniforms and salute officers during the period and IG inspection team would be in camp. So representative of the Pre-1950 atmosphere

Worst Memory Winter rains blowing through side screening of the tarpaper shacks and soaking bedding-several times every winter

Children 2 **Grandchildren**

Special Comments

Short, James R

Nickname Shorty **Rank** CPL **Co** ASA 865th AAU
Spouse Lillian **Hometown** Rochester, PA
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1954
Civilian Occupation Steel Mill Craneman, Retired
Special Hobbies Golf, Hunting & Travel
Favorite Memory Sgt Shipiro
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Smith, Edward O

Nickname Smitty **Rank** Sgt **Co**
Spouse Pat **Hometown** Piney Flats, TN
Unit FS 8605TH **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1954
Civilian Occupation Missionary, Pastor, College Administrator, Teacher
Special Hobbies Volunteer work, Grandchildren, Reading
Favorite Memory The GREAT GUYS
Worst Memory Not a one
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 10
Special Comments

Smullen, Albert Ed

Nickname Ed **Rank** Sgt **Co** ASA 8605th AAU
Spouse Marcella **Hometown** Bethlehem, PA
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1949 **Years To** 1953
Civilian Occupation Accountant
Special Hobbies Stamp Collecting (US only)
Favorite Memory Food sent from kitchen on Midnight Trick
Worst Memory Rain in old barracks
Children 2 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Thompson, John

Nickname _____ **Rank** SP5 **Co** _____
Spouse Gina **Hometown** Los Angeles, CA
Unit FS 8605TH **Years From** 1954 **Years To** 1957
Civilian Occupation Corporate Chairman, Publisher
Special Hobbies Dogs, Hiking, Photography, Nature
Favorite Memory _____
Worst Memory _____
Children 1 **Grandchildren** _____
Special Comments _____

Thompson, William R

Nickname Bill **Rank** Sgt **Co** USM-5
Spouse Eleanor **Hometown** Nineveh, PA
Unit FS 8605TH **Years From** 1953 **Years To** 1956
Civilian Occupation National Security Agency
Special Hobbies Vintage Racing, Skiing, Motorcycles
Favorite Memory Riding Motorcycles thru the mountains
Worst Memory Winter rain storms
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments _____

Tozzi, Ezio M

Nickname To **Rank** SGT **Co** ASA 8605th FS
Spouse Monica **Hometown** Selkirk, NY
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1954
Civilian Occupation US Postal Service
Special Hobbies Poetry and Writing
Favorite Memory Being part of a Number 1 outfit with its amenities in sports and camaraderie with folks from other parts of our country.
Worst Memory Getting rear-ended at a stop light in Pearl City while on a courier run to Fort Shafter.
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments Like George Washington was first in the hearts of his Countrymen-so too will another George (Akerhielm) be first in the hearts of his 8605th friends and comrades. Engraved on the Seal of the US and upon US coins are the words E Pluribus Unum-Meaning "One out of Many". From the thousand or more troops who passed through the portals of Heleman, we can also proudly attest to the fact that George will forever be remembered as "One out of Many!" --Who dared to make a difference and succeeded.

Travis, John H

Nickname **Rank** Sgt **Co** ASA 8605th AAU
Spouse Mary **Hometown** Danville, VA
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1952
Civilian Occupation FAA Budget Officer
Special Hobbies Ham radio
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory (You don't wanna know)
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 1
Special Comments

Trivia, Anthony A

Nickname Tony **Rank** Pvt **Co** ASA 8605th AAU
Spouse Veronica **Hometown** Easton, PA
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1953 **Years To** 1956
Civilian Occupation Iron worker, Local #40
Special Hobbies Gardening and my Grandchildren
Favorite Memory Living and staying at Waikiki Beach after going to classes at University of Hawaii, and working midnight shift
Worst Memory Being incarcerated for 30 days
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 9
Special Comments

Trudgen, Bruce

Nickname **Rank** Spec 3 **Co** ASA 8605th AAU
Spouse May **Hometown** Lansing, MI
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1955-05 **Years To** 1957-08
Civilian Occupation Automotive Engineer
Special Hobbies Boating, Snowmobiling, R'ving
Favorite Memory Seeing a bedsheet hanging on the water tower with I H T F P written on it.
Worst Memory Living in the barracks the first three months
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments I visited Helemano in March of 1996. What a change! And what a change in Honolulu!

Washington, James M

Nickname Marya **Rank** SP4 **Co**

Spouse Marya **Hometown** Honea Path, SC

Unit FS 8605TH **Years From** 1956-10 **Years To** 1959-01

Civilian Occupation Research Engineer

Special Hobbies Scottish Country Dancing, Choral Singing

Favorite Memory The day the "gang" came down to the beach (in front of our house on Kawaioloa Beach) and had interesting interactions with riptides, the local rescue squad, and rescue helicopters. There were also repercussions at Helemano with LT DeBourke and Sgt Markland, but a unified front precluded any major punishments. On another occasion, we had Thanksgiving dinner for the tick, and our platoon leader Lt Charles Eichelberger helped with the dishes after the meal. I also remember the night that all the signals disappeared due to an atmospheric H-bomb test conducted near Johnston Island.

Worst Memory Fighting fire on the mountainside set by tracers during familiarization with 30 and 50 caliber machine guns. We had just finished a "mid" shift, and after firing our turns, spent the rest of the day putting out the fire.

Children 5 **Grandchildren** 7 GG1

Special Comments

Welford, Marion Johannes

Nickname Red **Rank** E-7 **Co** ASA 8605th AAU

Spouse Joanne **Hometown** Mississippi

Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1955

Civilian Occupation Real Estate

Special Hobbies Cooking, Swimming, Travel

Favorite Memory The fun we all had being together

Worst Memory

Children 3 **Grandchildren**

Special Comments

Young, Donald W

Nickname Don **Rank** SFC **Co** 8605 AAU
Spouse Margaret **Hometown** Vacaville, CA
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1947 **Years To** 1951
Civilian Occupation Law Enforcement (Retired)
Special Hobbies Music, Golf, Travel
Favorite Memory Great Basketball Teams, Great People
Worst Memory Have None
Children 10 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Young, Wendell G

Nickname **Rank** SP 4 **Co** Army Sec Agency
Spouse Janet **Hometown** Madrid, NE
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1956 **Years To** 1957
Civilian Occupation Wheat Farmer
Special Hobbies None
Favorite Memory Stationed in Hawaii
Worst Memory Tidal waves
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Zeiders, Norman F

Nickname Trigger **Rank** SFC E-7 **Co** 5th Radio Res
Spouse Concetta **Hometown** Pottsville, Pa
Unit 8605TH AAU **Years From** 1949 **Years To** 1953
Civilian Occupation Retired
Special Hobbies Bowling, Golf, Painting
Favorite Memory All
Worst Memory None
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 6
Special Comments