

# Army of the United States

## Honorable Discharge

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT MERWIN E. ANDREWS 32 313 161 Corporal 502 Parachute Infantry

Army of the United States

IS HEREBY HONORABLY DISCHARGED FROM THE MILITARY SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED AS A TESTIMONIAL OF HONEST AND FAITHFUL SERVICE TO THIS COUNTRY.

GIVEN AT Separation Center  
Fort Dix, New Jersey

DATE 21 September 1945

R. G. Mayrand  
R. G. MAYRAND  
Major A.C.

ENLISTED RECORD AND REPORT OF SEPARATION  
HONORABLE DISCHARGE

1. Last Name—First Name—Middle Initial Andrews Merwin E.	2. Army Serial No. 32 313 161	3. Grade Cpl	4. Arm or Service Inf	5. Component AUS
6. Organization 502 Precht Inf	7. Date of Separation 21 Sep 45	8. Place of Separation Sep Ctr Ft Dix NJ		
9. Permanent Address for Mailing Purposes 622 W 136 St NY 31 NY	10. Date of Birth 18 Apr 21	11. Place of Birth Little Britain NY		
12. Address from which Employment will be sought See 9	13. Color Eyes Blue	14. Color Hair Brn	15. Height 5' 11 1/2"	16. Weight 182 lbs.
17. No. Depend. 0	18. Race X White			
19. Marital Status X Single	20. U. S. Citizen X Yes			
21. Civilian Occupation and No. Oscillator Grinder Operator 4 78.513				
MILITARY HISTORY				
22. Date of Induction 10 Apr 42	23. Date of Enlistment 10 Apr 42	24. Date of Entry Into Active Service 10 Apr 42	25. Place of Entry Into Service Ft Jay NY	
26. Registered Service # X	27. Local S. S. Board No. 302	28. County and State Orange NY	29. Home Address at Time of Entry Into Service 600 W 136 St Washington NYC NY	
30. Military Occupational Specialty and No. Wire Chief 261				
31. Military Qualification and Date (i.e., infantry, aviation and marksmanship badges, etc.) Carbine MM 154 26 Jun 43 M1 MKM 161 21 Nov 42				
32. Battles and Campaigns Ardenes Central Europe Normandy Rhineland GO 33 WD 45 as amended				
33. Decorations and Citations American Defense Service Medal American Service Medal Bronze Star Medal Distinguished Unit Badge W/OLC European-African-Middle Eastern Medal Good Conduct Medal Purple Heart Service				
34. Wounds Received In Action ETO Date unavailable				
35. Enlistment 30 Jul 43	36. Latest Immunization Date 10 Aug 44	37. Latest (specify) None	38. Date of Departure 5 Sep 43	39. Service Outside Continental U. S. and Return ETO 19 Oct 43
37. Total Length of Service 1 5 2 2 0 10		38. Highest Grade Held Cpl	6 Sep 45	14 Sep 45
39. Prior Service None				
40. Reason and Authority for Separation Convenience of Government AR 615-365 15 Dec 44 RR 1-1 Demobilization as amended				
41. Service Schools attended TWX TAG 4 Sep 1945				
42. Education (Years) Communications Sch Ft Benning Ga 1942			43. Education (Years) Grammar High School College 8 2 0	
PAY DATA				
44. Longevity for Pay Purposes Years Months Days 3 5 12	45. Mustering Out Pay Total \$ 300	46. Soldier Deposits This Payment \$ 100	47. Soldier Deposits None	48. Travel Pay \$6.85
49. Total Amount, Name of Disbursing Officer H M Fix Maj FD 183.69				
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49. Kind of Insurance X Nat. Serv. U. S. Govt. None	50. How Paid X	51. Effective Date of 30 Sep 45	52. Date of Next Premium Due 31 Oct 45	53. Premium Due 6.50
54. Intention of Veteran to X Continue Continue Only Discontinue				
54. RIGHT THUMB PRINT				
55. Remarks (This space for completion of above items or entry of other items specified in W. D. Directives)				

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# Merwin Andrews

## DD-214 discharge paper

### 09/21/1945



18 February 1963

SUBJECT: The Longest Day Premiere.

TO: Merwin Andrews, 138 Stonecrest Dr., Bristol, Conn.

Darryl F. Zanuck's "The Longest Day" will have its Central Connecticut premiere at the Elm Theatre, Elmwood, Conn. on 6 March 1963. "The Longest Day" is based on the first 24 hours of the Normandy invasion on 6 June 1944.

Because of your participation in the initial Normandy landings we are honored to have you as guest of the Elm Theatre on this premiere day.

I wish to invite you to attend a luncheon at the Officers Club, Hartford State Armory, Hartford, Conn. at 1230 hours on Wednesday 6 March 1963. In addition to a few other Connecticut veterans of the 101st and 82nd Airborne Divisions we are also inviting several military VIP's in this area. This should be a very interesting gathering.

The movie is to premiere at about 2000 hours to an all military audience. Preceding the movie a short stage ceremony introducing the vets of the 101st and 82nd along with several other VIP's will be held. It is our desire to include you in this ceremony. You are invited to bring a guest to view the movie; two seats will be reserved for you.

In order that proper reservations can be made, would you please fill out and return immediately the enclosed card to the Elm Theatre, Elmwood, Conn.

I am looking forward to meeting you.

  
John A. D'Amato  
Manager, Elm Theatre.

Invitation to view premier of "The  
Longest Day" at Elm Theatre,  
Elmwood, Connecticut  
02/18/1963

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- Member
- United States Parachute Association (1962)
  - Connecticut Parachutists, Inc. (a sport parachute club; 1962)
  - Aviation/Space Writers Association
  - Parachute Industry Association
  - SAFE Association (Survival and Flight Equipment)
  - Connecticut Aeronautical Historical Association  
(New England Air Museum)

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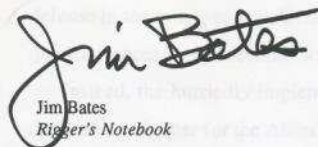
Jacquelyn Lanpher  
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*Atlantic Flyer*  
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Meriden, Connecticut 06450

Dear Jackie:

Enclosed is a manuscript for the October 1994 "Rigger's Notebook" column — "Return to Holland '94." It is a follow-up story to go along with last month's account of WW2 paratrooper veteran Andy Andrews preparing to make a 50th-anniversary commemorative jump at a drop zone in Holland. Tomorrow morning he flies commercially to Holland where he and 15 other airborne/Holland veterans will, weather permitting, make the reenactment jump on Saturday, September 17th, the same *date* of the 1944 combat jump.

Next month I'll have the last "installment" in the present-day "parachuting adventures" of a World War Two veteran.

Blue skies!

  
Jim Bates  
Rigger's Notebook

Jim Bates to Jacquelyn Lanpher  
Regarding *Return to Holland '94*  
article  
09/13/1994