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WWII FNA NEWSLETTER

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WAR II FLIGHT NURSE ASSOCIATION

Newsletter of August, 2009

RESPONSE SHEET—PLEASE FILL IN AND RETURN
ANYTHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO SAY OR COMMENT ON....
ANYTHING AT ALL....I WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

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Today's date Aug 15, 2009 Your Squad # 828/830

First, middle, maiden, last name DORIS L. KING AVERY

HAS YOUR ADDRESS CHANGED FROM LAST NEWSLETTER yes no

New address here: _____

Telephone number changed yes NO

New telephone number is (808) 261-6630

BIRTHDAY LIST.....birth dates: YOURS IS MAR 12, 1918 or you already sent it.

Please write back..... I WOULD LIKE TO SAY.....

Sent letter. 8-10-09 ✓ have nothing

I did receive the beautiful Flag Scarf. Thank you.

DECEASED: 28 Aug 2008

Margaret V. Watson Screens

WW II Flight Nurse, 1st LT N 787 341 1943-1946

Johns Hopkins SON 1942

A dear classmate & life long friend.

INFO REQUESTED:

Re: Anne R. Eney WWII Flight Nurse

N 789 232 Served with me 1944-45 in

Guadalcanal, New Guinea, Schouten Is., use back also

SWPA.



MAIL TO:
DOROTHY ERRAIR
C/O Melinda Errair
4020 Rich Drive
Waterford, MI 48329

OVER



Enclosed check for \$25.00 to help with mailing expenses, etc. Many thanks for all the work someone is doing on these mailings + record keeping.

Are there any other WWII nurses living in Hawaii who are on your list? (There are not many of us left!)

Alden + I will be celebrating our 64th on 1/1/10. We met in New Guinea on Oct 18, 1944. He was a pilot of C-47 aircraft that we used on our air evac missions and often we were on the same missions. We are so thankful to still be survivors and in reasonably good health!



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HEADQUARTERS
PACIFIC DIVISION
AIR TRANSPORT COMMAND

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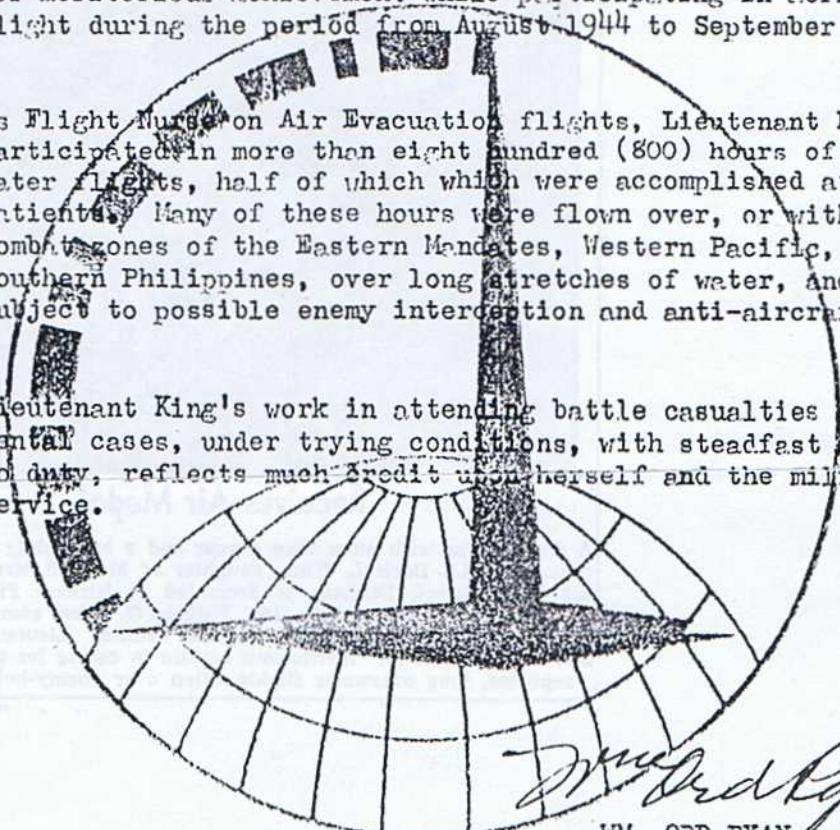
To Accompany Announcement of award of AIR MEDAL

Published In General Orders No. 45, This Headquarters,

First Lieutenant DORIS L. KING, N 787 340, Army Nurse Corps,
for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial
flight during the period from August 1944 to September 1945.

As Flight Nurse on Air Evacuation flights, Lieutenant King has participated in more than eight hundred (800) hours of over-water flights, half of which were accomplished attending patients. Many of these hours were flown over, or within combat zones of the Eastern Mandates, Western Pacific, and Southern Philippines, over long stretches of water, and being subject to possible enemy interception and anti-aircraft fire.

Lieutenant King's work in attending battle casualties and severe mental cases, under trying conditions, with steadfast devotion to duty, reflects much credit upon herself and the military service.



Wm. Ord Ryan

WM. ORD RYAN
Major General, U.S. Army



Receives Air Medal

A flight nurse with more than a year and a half's duty in the Pacific area, First Lt. Doris L. King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. King, 822 Sixth Street, Durham, is decorated at Hickam Field, Honolulu, with the Air Medal by Maj. Gen. William O. Ryan, commander of Air Transport Command activities in the Pacific. Lieutenant King received the award for "meritorious service in caring for patients during repeated, long overwater flights, often over enemy-held territory."

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WAR II FLIGHT NURSE ASSOCIATION

Newsletter of February 22, 2008

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ANYTHING AT ALL....I WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

Today's date 1 mar 2008

Your Squad # 1567 Air Base Unit
SWPacific Theatre,ATC

First, middle, maiden, last name Doris L.King Avery

HAS YOUR ADDRESS CHANGED FROM LAST NEWSLETTER yes no

New address here: _____

Military designation: Lt.Doris L.King N787340

Telephone number changed yes NO

New telephone number is _____

BIRTHDAY LIST.....birth dates: YOURS IS 18 Mar 1918 or you already sent it.

Please write back..... I WOULD LIKE TO SAY.....
Have never sent any personal info before - so here goes

1942 - graduated Johns Hopkins School of Nursing as RN

April 1943 - comissioned 2nd Lt USAAF.Assigned to AAF RegionalHosp,Coral Gable

May 1944 - Graduated fromSchool of Air Evacuation,Boman Field,KY with Flight Nurse rating.

August 1944 - Assigned to Southwest Pacific Theatre of operations. Duty stations in Guadalcanal,New Guinea,Diak Schouten Is,Philippines,Saipan,

November 1945 - Awarded USAAF Air Medal for period Aug 1944 to Sept 1945 for serving as Flight Nurse for over 800 hours of flight in combat areas and over long stretches of ocean subject to enemy interdiction and anti-aircraft fire.

March 1957 - Finally separated from USAF Reserve.

Oct 17,1944 - I met my future husband to be at Nadzab AB,New Guinea. He was Then a 1st Lt.flying Officer in the C-47 aircraft that were being used for troop carrier and air evacuation missions. I occasionally was on his aircrew as a flight nurse and a mutual attraction developed. When he was transferred back to Fairfield-Suisun AB (now Travis AFP) and checked out in C-54 aircraft and started to fly trans Pacific routes we once again met at times on various Pacific islands including Hawaii.

Nov 1945 - I was separated from the AAF and returned home to Durham,NC.In dec 1945 Capt Avery got home leave to Boston MA. use back also

He decided to come visit me in NC and we were married 1 Jan 1946

This year we celebrated MAIL TO: our 62nd anniversary!

He was recalled for Korea which brought

the family to Hawaii where we

decided to live. 1600 TAMARAC TRAIL

USAF Reserve TAVARES, FLORIDA 32778

Colonel. We have 2

daughters and a son,the youngest,who just retired from

the USAF as a LTC fighter pilot. So that is my story!



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SPEED LETTER®

FROM Elvira "vera" Lee

TO

Pacific Director
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CA 95682

Doris "Dee" King Avery

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20 August

UR LTR 22 July 2009

SUBJECT

MESSAGE Dear Vera, I had just finished answering the latest newsletter from WWII FNA when your letter arrived. Do appreciate all the effort that so many are expending to keep us all connected! And I still have in that same file your letter of 1/16/09 - which I always intended to answer-"some day"!

As for the WWII FNA I can only guess that their ranks must be getting pretty thin. (My BD is 3/12/18) As for some history I graduated from Johns Hopkins SON class of 1942. Specialty-neuro-psychiatric nurse.

Mar 1942-Mar 1943 Head Nurse, Phipps Clinic, JHH

While there applied for duty with USANC, Air Evacuation School.

Apr 1943 Commissioned as 2nd Lt ANC and assigned to AAF Regional Hospital in Coral Gables, FL.

Apr 1944-Aug 1944 AAF School of Air Evac, Bowman Field, KY

Sept 1944-Feb 1946 Air Transport Command SWPT Air Evac duties in Solomon Is, New Guinea, Dutch East Indies, Philippine Is, Saipan, Hawaii.

Feb 1946 Released from USAAF as a 1st Lt.

Apr 1957 Released from USAF Reserves

DATE SIGNED

REPLY

While in the Reserves I performed nursing duties in a USAF Reserve unit at Hanscom AFB in Bedford, MA and attended flight nurse refresher courses in San Antonio TX.

In Oct 1944 I met my husband to be in New Guinea. He was a pilot flying the C-47 transports that we used for air evac missions. We did become very friendly over several months but it wasn't until Dec 1945, when he went home in MA from Travis Field CA, that he came to visit me at my home in NC and we decided to get married. We did that on 1/1/46 as he had to return to Travis from leave status immediately. I joined him there in a few weeks and that marriage is still flourishing!

My husband was recalled to active duty in 1950 for Korea. I joined him in Hawaii in 1952 with our two young daughters. In 1955 when he was due to return to USA he chose to be released from AD to stay in Hawaii. But he stayed in an active reserve slot at Hickam AFB. IN 1973 he had completed 30 good years and was retired as an O-6.

We both agree that if we had to live our lives over again that we would do it exactly the same way! We do have a very loving family of 3 children and 4 grandchildren and are thankful for reasonably good health in our senior years. We are very blessed indeed!

My apologies for such a rambling letter but once I got started it just kept going!

DATE SIGNED

Much ALOHA

TO Melinda Errair WWII FNA
1600 Tamarac Trail
Tavares, FL 32778



Alden And Dee Avery
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Kailua HI 96734

SUBJECT Wv Ltr 3/8/2010

3/18/2010

MESSAGE Dear Melinda, Thanks for your ^{DATE}
note. Know you must be inundated trying
to handle all the WWII FNA correspondence
so I don't expect an answer to this.

Re: Margaret Watson Skreen her serial # N787341
and Anne H. Eney's was N789232. This may
help in any record search. SIGNED

REPLY Incidentally, you will note ^{DATE} from enclosed
clipping that the beautiful flag scarf you
sent was used very appropriately for my recent
Medallion Award Ceremony. Many mahalos!

By the way, I think the enclosed copy of my letter
to the Society of AFN, Inc
resulted in this award.

Love + Hugs,

Doris "Dee" Avery

SIGNED

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Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii

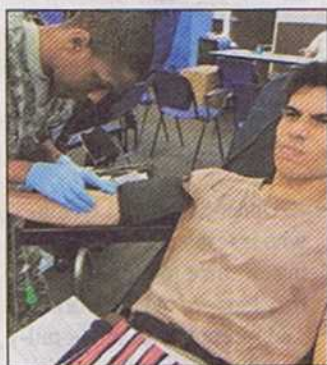


Photo by Senior Airman Gustavo Gonzalez

Blood drive held Feb. 4 at Hickam to support Haiti, Iraq and Afghanistan.

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News Notes

15th Airlift Wing Annual Awards Breakfast — The awards breakfast will be held at 11 a.m., Feb. 12, at the Enlisted Club. The Team Hickam Annual Awards Ceremony will be held at 6 p.m., Feb. 19, at the Enlisted Club. See your 1st Sergeant to sign up.

Town Hall for Onizuka residents — Hickam Community Housing (HCH) will hold a Town Hall for Onizuka Village residents living at 2330-2350 Apollo Avenue and 2351-2358 Gemini Avenue (old Onizuka). The meeting will be held 6-7:30 p.m., Feb. 25 at the HCH Community Center. The purpose of the meeting is to inform residents on the upcoming move-over transition and address questions and concerns related to the move-over process. An update on construction also will be provided. Residents with

Gen. North honors WWII nurse

by Staff Sgt. LuCelia Ball
Pacific Air Forces Public Affairs

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Noncommissioned Officers' Association World War II Veterans Medallion



U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Jerome S. Tayborn

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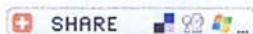
Havens

From: "Havens" <tahavens@clearwire.net>
To: "wanda commons" <wanda28@clearwire.net>
Sent: Sunday, February 28, 2010 7:38 PM
Subject: Fw: mom

PACAF commander presents medallion to World War II nurse

Posted 2/5/2010 Updated 2/5/2010

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by Staff Sgt. LuCelia Ball
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Mrs. Doris Avery (Dee), speaks to member of the media, prior to a ceremony in her honor. Then-Lieutenant Avery, served a nurse in World War II. General Gary North, Pacific Air Forces, commander, presented the Noncommissioned Officers' Association World War II Veterans Medallion to Mrs. Avery, at the Courtyard of Heroes, Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam, Hawaii, Feb. 5, 2010, for her heroic efforts. (U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sgt Jerome S. Tayborn)



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Col. (Ret.) Alden Avery presents Mrs. Doris Avery (Dee) a member of the "Greatest Generation," with a bouquet of flowers at a medallion ceremony to honor her efforts in World War II, as Gen. Gary North, Pacific Air Forces commander, looks on. She received an Air Medal for her actions. In a ceremony to honor her, General North presented the Noncommissioned Officers' Association World War II Veterans Medallion to Mrs. Avery at the Courtyard of Heroes, Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam, Hawaii, Feb. 5, 2010, for her heroic efforts. Mrs. Avery served as a lieutenant in the Army Nurse Corps during World War II. As a flight nurse on medical air evacuation flights, Lieutenant Avery amassed more than 800 flight hours. (U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sgt Jerome S. Tayborn)



Gen. Gary North Pacific Air Forces commander, presents a gift to, Mrs. Doris Avery (Dee), at a luncheon in her honor at the Officers Club, Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam, Hawaii, Feb. 5, 2010. (U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sgt Jerome S. Tayborn)



Gen. Gary North, Pacific Air Forces commander, Col. (Ret.) Alden Avery and Mrs. Doris

Avery, a member of the "Greatest Generation" after a medallion ceremony honoring Mrs. Avery. General North presented the Noncommissioned Officers' Association World War II Veterans Medallion to Mrs. Avery, at the Courtyard of Heroes, Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam, Hawaii, Feb. 5, 2010, for her heroic efforts. She served as a lieutenant in the Army Nurse Corps during World War II. As a flight nurse on medical air evacuation flights, Lieutenant Avery amassed for than 800 flight hours. These missions often took place over combat zones in the Eastern Mandate, Western Pacific and Southern Philippines, where she was subjected to possible interception by enemy aircraft and anti-aircraft fire. She received an Air Medal for her actions. (U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sgt Jerome S. Tayborn



This Noncommissioned Officers' Association World War II Veterans Medallion was presented to a member of the "Greatest Generation", Mrs. Doris Avery (Dee), by the Pacific Air Forces, commander, General Gary North, in a ceremony to honor her heroism, at the Courtyard of Heroes, Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam, Hawaii, Feb. 5, 2010. Mrs. Avery served as a lieutenant in the Army Nurse Corps during World War II. As a flight nurse on medical air evacuation flights, Lieutenant Avery logged more than 800 flight hours. These missions often took place over combat zones in the Eastern Mandate, Western Pacific and Southern Philippines, where she was subjected to possible interception by enemy aircraft and anti-aircraft fire. She received an Air Medal for her actions. (U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sgt Jerome S. Tayborn)

Dear Dorothy,

I, Alden I. Avery, husband of Dee, have handled all of Dee's correspondence for the last 2 years. Essentially I have been a caregiver for that period. She does appreciate receiving the FNA news and has supported FNA financially as a Life Member and other donations when called for. However, she is not physically able to assume any duties with FNA.

We wish to recognize the tremendous efforts that Melinda, and of course Dorothy, have devoted to keeping FNA operating. A labor of love indeed!

Is there a possibility that the Society of Air Force Nurses might be a sponsor of FNA or assist in any way?

Enclosed is a copy of news info found on Google re: recent honors received by Dee for her WWII service.

ALDIA,

Alden Avery

(over)

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MAIL TO:



Feb



Alden And Dee Avery
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Kailua HI 96734

General Gary North
Commander, Pacific Air Forces

requests the pleasure of your company at a
Medallion Ceremony
in honor of World War II Veteran

Lieutenant Doris King Avery

on Friday, the fifth of February
at half-past ten o'clock

Courtyard of Heroes
Headquarters, Pacific Air Forces
Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii

R.s.v.p. by 3 Feb 2010
(808) 449-4533
Richard.gill@hickam.af.mil

Uniform of the Day
Aloha Business

Dear Dorothy,

Dee celebrated her 93rd on 3/12/11.

I am Alden I. Avery, Dee's husband for 65 years and have been keeping up her correspondence matters for over a year now. She is rather frail but still mentally alert and enjoys the newsletters and memories.

Dee graduated from Bowman Field training in Aug 1944 and then in Sept was sent overseas to SWP theater with posts in the Solomon Isles, New Guinea, Bisk Isle, Philippine Isles.

I met her in New Guinea. As a pilot of C-47 transports doing air evac missions, Dee sometimes was a crew member on the mission. We met initially in Oct 1944 and were married on Jan 1, 1946 after she had been released from the USAAF and returned to her home in Durham, N.C.
(A long story in a very few words.)

Dear Melinda,

You are doing a great job with the News Letter and all the details. Do hope Dorothy is doing well and Dee sends her love and best wishes to all. With special thoughts to you on the loss of your husband.

Alden I Avery

WRITE DOWN YOUR COMMENTS, I WANT TO HEAR FROM ALL OF YOU.

Melinda, I Alden I. Avery am writing for Dee (Doris). She is now 94 (3/12/18) and rather frail. (But still gets about w/o aids.)

Enclosed is a set of orders listing how Flight Nurse graduates who all were sent immediately to Guadalcanal then to Nadgab, New Guinea. Then to Biak Is., Dutch East Indi. then to the Philippines during 1944-1945.

I met Dee in Nadgab 18 Oct 1944 and we were married 1/1/46 in DC. A long story!

You are doing a GREAT job, Melinda.
(Some good funnies too)

MAIL TO:

Am responding to your plea for
info - any info! Some of this I've
written before so may be on record
there.

We'd like to know whatever
became of one of Dee's tent mates,
Anne R. Eney, 789 232. (On same order)

Have any of the nurses on Order # 29
signed up with you?

Ruth Levy was also a tent mate but
we maintained contact with her in
SFO and she died about 60 yrs ago.

HEADQUARTERS AIR TRANSPORT COMMAND
(501ST AAF BASE UNIT)
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

Washington, D. C.
29 September 1944

PERSONNEL ORDERS)
NO. 29)

1. Pursuant to authority contained in paragraph 2, subparagraph 8, Army Regulation 35-1480, dtd 10 Oct 1942, and Ltr Hq AAF AFPMP-10, dtd 6 July 1944, the flwg named members of Army Nurse Corps (female) who are non-flying personnel, are required to participate regularly and frequently in aerial flights, effective 29 September 1944. The provisions of this order will terminate 30 June 1944:

1ST LT EASTMAN, BEATRICE H,	N 751 154
2D LT ARNOLD, DOROTHY E,	N 788 764
2D LT BERGMAN, MAE B,	N 789 330
2D LT BIRON, LUCILLE A,	N 788 896
2D LT BONES, MARY T,	N 789 679
2D LT BROADWAY, MARGARET E,	N 787 672
2D LT BUNKELMAN, BETTY J,	N 731 816
2D LT DOWD, RITA MARIE T,	N 760 040
2D LT ENEY, ANNE R,	N 789 232
2D LT ERDMANN, MARJORIE B,	N 781 918
2D LT FARLEY, PHYLLIS E,	N 789 346
2D LT FLUKER, NEEL,	N 763 225
2D LT GASTON, MARY M,	N 737 971
2D LT GREENE, LURLENE S,	N 783 248
2D LT GRAHAM, EMILY G,	N 731 817
2D LT HAWKINS, MARY L,	N 737 974
2D LT HOLLIS, NITA S,	N 730 324
2D LT HERMAN, MURIEL,	N 787 349
2D LT FISHER, DOROTHY M,	N 771 917
2D LT JAKOBEB, FRANCES G,	N 787 350
2D LT KING, DORIS L,	N 787 340
2D LT LEVY, RUTH,	N 789 118
2D LT LOGAN, HELEN,	N 787 308
2D LT PANZIERA, ROSE B,	N 788 710

By command of Major General GEORGE:

HAROLD R HARRIS,
Colonel, GSC
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

s/ James H Wear, Jr
JAMES H WEAR, JR
Capt., Air Corps,
Actg Asst Adj General

A True Copy:


CHARLES F. DEEM,
Captain, MAC.