

REMEMBERING*

Fragments put together make whole memories to warm us later

Little vista of perfect memories to console us when our heart is cold. through imperfect days.

Esther Brubach 815th Reta Farley 828th Lila Jorgenson 809th-June '92 Marrion Sallade 811th-Apr! 92 Mary White 811th-Aug. '92

LaVerne Ditmore 809th Ivalee Holtz 801st Wilma Lytle 807th-1991 Blanche Solomon 822-830 Aug. '92 Eleanor M. Hoppock 809th Feb. 10, '93

Note: As our former colleagues and friends leave this world, we each have special memories.

Eleanor Hoppock was my roommate at Hickam Field, 1943-1945. We shared frightening events, fun times and a mutual pride with other colleagues that we could serve our country during a time of need.

In recent years, Eleanor and I collaborated in writing about the 809th and she helped me with this Newsletter. She inspired the Mary McHugh story in the Nov. 1991 issue and laughed a lot when I read her Dorothy Errair's account of The Italian Mules which is in this Newsletter.

Eleanor's integrity, talents and her great sense of humor will continue to inspire me. Incidentally, the sketch of the candles which head our remembrances is Eleanor's. When I asked her for advice about the best way to acknowledge this section, she said, "keep it simple" and sat down and drew what you see.

Agnes Flaherty, Editor.

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The Battle of Normandy Foundation

THE BATTLE OF NORMANDY FOUNDATION - THE WALL OF LIBERTY

The Foundation is leading the Wall of Liberty campaign to record the names of the 5 million American ETO veterans from all brances of the armed services and from all ranks, private to general. The Wall which will be built in Caen is a testament to mankind's shared responsibility for freedom. It represents the spirit of American people who were prepared to fight for that freedom.

VerNell Bjerke, 828th, began the registration for women of the ETO by symbolically placing the name of herfriend and ETO Flight Nurse, Virginia Garnett, on The Wall of Liberty. If you'd like more information or would like to register (\$40) call 1-800-WW2-VETS.

WOMEN IN MILITARY SERVICE FOR AMERICA MEMORIAL

WIMSA has final approval of the design concept for the Memorial. Reminder: Any women who has served in the U.S. uniformed Services is eligible to be listed. Personal experiences and photos may accompany registration forms and will be electronically archived for use in the computerized Register that will be the heart of the memorial. Call 1-800-472-5883 for more information.