

George Johnson

May 20, 1925 - Feb 8, 2014

BIRTHPLACE: Bedford, Indiana

SOLDIER DETAILS

HIGHEST RANK: Torpedoman 2nd Class

DIVISION: Navy, Special Weapons Group

THEATER OF OPERATION: Pacific

SERVED: Aug 12, 1943 - Apr 3, 1946

HONORED BY: George Johnson

BIOGRAPHY

I started my naval service in Great Lakes, Illinois on 12 August 1943. This was followed by assignments to Newport, Goat Island, and Gould Island in Rhode Island; Montauk Point, Long Island, NY; Solomons, Maryland; and New London, Connecticut. On 31 Jan 1945, I set sail on a troupe ship from Treasure Island, CA to Pearl Harbor. There, I served aboard the U.S.S. Proteus, the U.S.S. Fulton, and the U.S. Advanced Submarine Base in Guam. In March 1946, I was air transported to Saipan on special assignment to set-up shop on a sister ship. Later, I returned stateside on the U.S.S. Wakefield, receiving an honorable discharge on 3 April 1946 at Great Lakes Naval Base. I am interested in finding some of my buddies that were in the special weapons group that were involved with the acoustically controlled torpedo. It carried a 100 pound warhead, the total length overall was six feet. Lt J.G. Roth was the leading officer in charge of our shop on the Proteus. You may contact me by the following methods. 8620 North 65th Avenue, #109, Glendale, AZ 85302; Home Phone: (623)931-9139 or Cell phone: (602)373-5445. (George Gordon Johnson passed away February 8, 2014.)