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developing the classic feather wing streamer. Archer also enjoyed writing stories documenting his past. In 1951, while exploring the shoreline on Upper Richardson, Junior found a smoothly polished stone later to be identified as an Indian artifact. Thus began his lifelong study and collection of Paleo-Indian and Red Paint artifacts. Junior's collection resides now with the Maine State Museum.

In 1994, Junior received the Annual Historic Preservation Award for his archaeological findings, and in 1996 he was awarded a Master of Science degree from the University of Maine at Farmington for his work in the field.

In retirement, summers were spent at his beloved Camp Clear Quill on Upper Richardson with his wife Frances and their "Kitty". Junior was predeceased by his wife Frances, daughter Penelope, sisters Althea Milton and Thelma Clark. He is survived by his daughter Paula, and his son Peter.

Stanley T. Makuch (88)

(K Company, 169th Infantry)

Middlefield, CT Stanley passed on May 26, 2016. He was born and grew up on the family farm in Middlefield, part of which is



now the site of Middlefield Memorial School. Stanley was the youngest of five older sisters, where he obtained the nickname "Sonny" that stuck with him throughout his life. He entered the Navy at the age of 17 at the end of World War II and attained the rank of Seaman 1st Class serveing on a Mine Sweeper in the South Pacific. He later joined the

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## **43rd NEWS & NOTES**

Sergeant Stubby, a Bull Terrier or possibly a Boston Terrier (July 21, 1916 – March 16, 1926), 102nd Infantry Regiment, has been called the most decorated war dog of World War I. Stubby was found wandering the grounds of the Yale University campus in New Haven, Connecticut in July

of 1917 while members of the 102nd Infantry Regiment were training. Corporal Robert Conroy, developed a fondness for the dog, and when it came time ship out, Conroy hid Stubby on board the troop ship the SS Minnesota. Upon discovery by Conroy's commanding officer, Stubby saluted him as he had been trained to do in camp, and the commanding officer allowed the dog to stay on board. He became the official mascot of the 102nd Infantry Regiment



assigned to the 26th (Yankee) Division.

Serving with the 102nd Infantry Regiment in the trenches in France for 18 months, Stubby participated in four offensives and 17 battles. He entered combat on February 5, 1918 at Chemin des Dames, north of Soissons. In April 1918, during a raid to take Schieprey, Stubby was wounded in the foreleg by a German hand grenade. He was sent to the rear for convalescence, and as he had done on the front, was able to improve morale. When he recovered from his wounds, Stubby returned to the trenches. He ultimately had two wound stripes.

Stubby was also injured by mustard gas, and after recovery he returned with a specially designed gas mask to protect him. He learned to warn his unit of poison gas attacks, located wounded soldiers in no man's land, and — since he could hear the whine of incoming artillery shells before humans could — became very adept at letting his unit know when to duck for cover. He was solely responsible for capturing a German spy in the Argonne. Due to his capture of the enemy spy, the commander of the 102 Infantry nominated Stubby for the rank of sergeant.

Following the retaking of Château-Thierry by the US, the women of the town made Stubby a chamois coat on which were pinned his many medals.

After returning home, Stubby became a celebrity and marched in, and nor-



mally led many parades across the country. He met Presidents Woodrow Wilson, Calvin Coolidge, and Warren G. Harding. In 1921 General John J. Pershing presented a gold medal from the Humane Education Society to Stubby. Starting in 1921, he attended Georgetown University Law Center with Robert Conroy, and became the Georgetown Hoyas' team mascot.

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43rd Infantry Division. He attained the rank of Master Sergeant and was a platoon leader. He was a hard worker and skilled builder, and for over 30 years he was the owner of Stanley Makuch & Sons Construction Company where he developed many friendships with various tradesmen. In his later years, he built and sold Finnish style saunas. He loved building projects, growing vegetables, working outdoors, listening and dancing to polkas, making pierogis at Christmas and baking apple pies for his family, and was a true and loyal Red Sox fan. He was a man of great faith and was a communicant of St. John's R.C. Church in Middletown. Besides his wife Irene of 62 years, he leaves his sons Gregory and Thomas, his daughter Judi, two grandsons and a granddaughter. He is survived by one sister Mary and several nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by sisters Agnes, Genny, Lottie and Elsie.

# Ernest E. "Eddie" Head

(AT Company, 103rd Infantry Reg) Davis, CA

Eddie passed on October 17, 2016. He was a member of the 43rd Infantry Division and



saw action in the Pacific Theater of Operations, participating both in the liberation of the Philippines and later in the occupation of Japan. He stayed in contact with his "ole army buddies" throughout the years and never tired of telling the stories of their many adventures during this time.

Following the war he was first

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He would be given the football at halftime and would nudge the ball around the field to the amusement of the fans.

Stubby died in his sleep in 1926. After his death, he was preserved with his skin mounted on a plaster cast. Conroy presented Stubby to the Smithsonian in 1956.

Sgt. Stubby is the subject of an upcoming animated film, scheduled for rerelease in April 2018. (General contents from Wikipedia)



Stubby being decorated by General John J. Pershing

Bob Hungerschafer was visiting his 86 year old father Edward William Hungerschafer (now Schafer) and sent in this note after seeing one of his dad's old 43rd Bulletins. Edward severed with 43rd Infantry Division, 169th Infantry Regiment, Company E: 1951-1952 Munich. Edward was able to take some photos of General Eisenhower while he was visiting camp commander General Kenneth Cramer at Will Kaserne. General Eisenhower said: "Soldier I want copies of those" and then he shook Edwards

hand. After returning to the U.S. Bob's dad mailed the photos to General Eisenhower in Washington. He received a thank you letter from the general's assistant. In the Jan-March 2010 edition of the 43rd Bulletin we had published several photos. As it turns out, that photo (shown right) was one of several that Edward had taken.

