

ARMY DISCHARGE

INFORMAL INFORMATION REPLY

RE:

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The reply to the inquiry will be found in the checked item(s). If you write to us again on this subject, please return your original request, this form, and any other form you complete.

☐ Copies of requested military ☐ personnel ☐ medical records are attached. We suggest you make an extra copy and guard against loss or damage. We regret if any photocopies may be of poor quality, but they are the best copies obtainable.

☐ The attached separation document may include the following information: authority for separation, reason for separation, Reenlistment Eligibility Code, and Separation (SPN/SPD) Code. If you require a copy of the separation document that does not contain the above information, you may request a deleted copy from this Center. A seal has been affixed to the enclosed copy to attest to its authenticity.

☐ The Privacy Act of 1974 does not permit the release of a social security number or other personal information to the public without the authorization of the veteran concerned; therefore, we have deleted personal identifying data relating to other persons.

☐ The record of service in the \_\_\_\_\_ indicates being in a POW status from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

☐ When the person named above was separated, it was not the practice to issue a document which served as a report of separation.

☐ A discharge certificate is issued only as an original document; thus, there is no file copy from which to make a copy for you. We will obtain an appropriate substitute certificate for a veteran or surviving spouse if you will tell us whether the original was: 1) never received; or (2) lost or destroyed.

☐ No report of separation was issued, since the person named above had no active service, or less than 90 days of active duty for training.

☐ The service record of the person named above does not contain a copy of a report of separation, or its equivalent. Therefore, we are instead providing the attached NA Form 13038, Certification of Military Service. This will serve as verification of military service and may be used for any official purpose.

☐ The record needed to answer your inquiry was filed in the area that suffered the most damage in a fire here on July 12, 1973, and was damaged/partially destroyed. The specific document or information requested was not contained in the records that were recovered from the burned area.

☒ The record needed to answer your inquiry is not in our files. If the record were here on July 12, 1973, it would have been in the area that suffered the most damage in the fire on that date and may have been destroyed. Alternate records sources exist which often contain information that can be used to reconstruct service record data lost in the fire.

☒ The information used to prepare the attached NA Form 13038, Certification of Military Service, was obtained from an alternate records source. This will serve as verification of military service and may be used for any official purpose.

☐ The enclosed copies of documents were obtained from an alternate records source.

☐ However, complete personnel/medical records cannot be reconstructed.

☐ However, we regret that these sources do not contain the particular type of information or document requested.

☐ We will attempt to obtain the required information from alternate records sources if you will assist us by completing the attached NA Form 13075, Questionnaire About Military Service, to the best of your ability.

☐ In attempting to provide information from alternate records sources concerning illness or injury while in military service, we need additional information as to the approximate dates of illness or injury and the specific organizational assignments (company, battalion, regiment, division, group, etc.) at that time. Please complete the attached NA Form 13055, to the best of your ability.

☐ That portion of your request seeking medals/awards has been referred to the office checked below, which has jurisdiction over the issuance of medals/awards. Any further correspondence on this subject should be addressed to that office. Both offices are at 9700 Page Ave., St. Louis, MO 63132.

☐ ARPERCEN, Attn: DARP-VSE-A

☐ Navy Liaison Office, Room 5409

☐ That portion of your request regarding Air Force or Army Air Corps medals will be answered under separate cover.

☐ The medical records requested ☐ The documents requested pertaining to discharge have been lent to the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Please phone the VA at 1-800-827-1000 for help in obtaining these records, and provide your VA Claim Number, \_\_\_\_\_.

☐ The Department of Defense Privacy Program, 32 CFR 310.30(f), allows for the disclosure of medical records to the individual to whom they pertain. A portion of the requested medical records, however, contains information which can be interpreted and explained properly only by a physician. If you wish us to send copies to a designated physician, please provide us with the name and address of that physician. The request MUST INCLUDE the written consent (signature) of the person whose records are involved, authorizing the release of the records to the designated physician.

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Date:

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For the Chief,

☐ Army Reference Branch

☐ Air Force Reference Branch

☐ Navy Reference Branch

☒ Records Reconstruction Branch

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(Military Personnel Records)  
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