

## **VETERANS OF PUTNAM COUNTY TENNESSEE** **VETERANS HALL AND ARCHIVES**

<http://www.ajlambert.com>

The hall will display photographs of soldiers from their military service, with some already on display from the Revolutionary War through present-day military action in Iraq and Afghanistan. To be eligible for display in the hall, the veteran must have a Putnam County connection, such as being born or buried in the county, having attended elementary or high school in Putnam County or having lived in the county for at least 20 years and plans on being buried here. Veterans may also qualify if they have lived in the county for 20 years and have been married to someone for at least 20 years that was either born in the county or attended school here.

Photos are displayed in a high-quality frame with acid-free matting. The display includes information on the veterans military service. Cost is \$35 for framing, or \$25 if the veteran died while in the service.

Two 8x10 military photographs of the veteran are required.

In addition to the display, each veteran entered into the hall will also have a file in the archives office that includes family photos, a family history and military history, along with any other information the family wishes to include. This file is made available to the public so that family history can be passed along to the next generation.

In a partnership with the Veterans Hall, the Herald-Citizen will soon begin publishing a Veteran of the Week featuring one of the veterans on display at the Veterans Hall. Photos of veterans or their families will be published in the Tuesday Living section, along with information about that veteran's service.

Jones said hours have not yet been set for the Veterans Hall, but will be announced soon. He's also working on plans for a Veterans Day celebration Nov. 11. For more information about the project, or to inquire about displaying your veteran's picture, contact Jones at (931) 520-0042 or (931) 526-2161.

Mailing address: Putnam County Archives  
ATTN: Glenn Jones  
121 B South Dixie Ave., Cookeville, TN 38501



### **SIGN FOR ARCHIVES**

The Putnam County Archives and Veterans' Hall recently accepted the donation of this monument/sign from Harris Monuments. The sign marks the location of the archives on s. Walnut Avenue in Cookeville. In front, from left, are Lake, Land and River Harris. In back are Lloyd and Gail Harris of Harris Monuments, Putnam County, Executive Kim Blaylock, Archivist Glenn Jones and Archive volunteers Betty Stark and Michelle Parrott. The Veterans' Hall will be open Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and Friday from 1-4 p.m. each day.

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## OUR VETERANS



**SGT. ALEXANDER VAN AALTEN**

Sgt. Alexander van Aalten was killed in action April 20, 2007, while serving with the U.S. Army in Afghanistan. Pictured with his photograph are Shana van Aalten, wife, and parents Ed van Aalten and Susan van Aalten. He joined the service June 10, 2004, and was stationed at Fort Benning, Ga., before being accepted to Airborne School and transferred to Fort Bragg, N.C. He was first deployed to Iraq in September 2005. He was deployed again Jan. 20, 2007. Sgt. van Aalten is the first Veteran of the Week to be honored by the Putnam County Veterans Hall, at 900 S. Walnut Ave. A dedication ceremony for the Veterans Hall is set for Saturday beginning at 10 a.m. Photo/Camille Fliss, Cookeville, TN. He is buried in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington Co., VA.

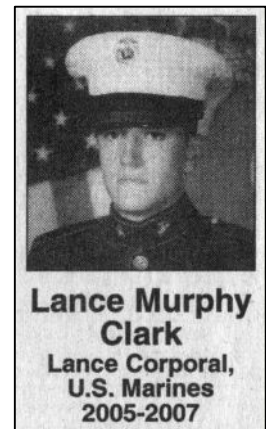
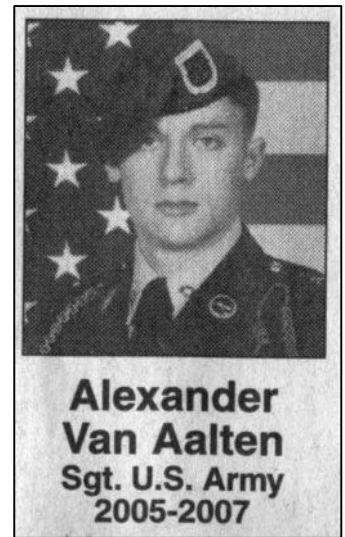
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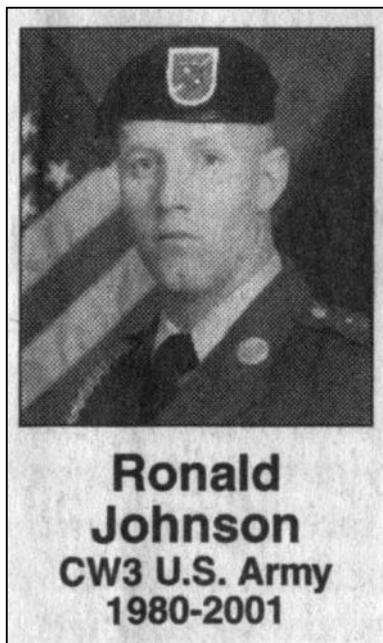
**LANCE CPL. LANCE MURPHY CLARK**

Lance Cpl. Lance Murphy Clark is the *Herald-Citizen* Veteran of the Week. Clark's stepfather John Scott, mother Susie Scott and niece Lexy Clark are shown with his photograph. Clark was inducted into the U. S. Marine Corps in April 2005. He served in Iraq, where he was killed in action Sept. 7, 2007, while supporting combat operations in the Anbar Province of western Iraq. Clark's photograph is on display at the Putnam County Veterans Hall, at 900 S. Walnut Ave. He is buried in Bethlehem Methodist Church Cemetery, Overton Co., TN.

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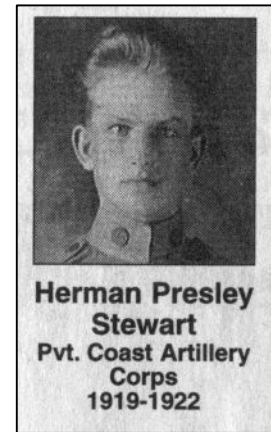
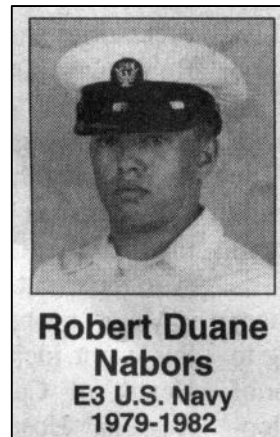
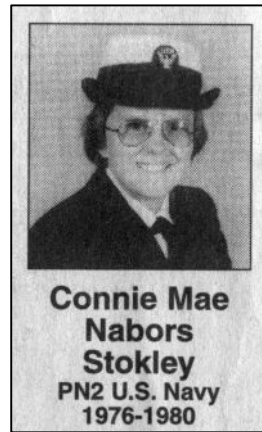
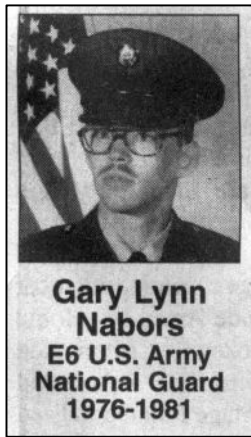




#### **CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER RONALD JOHNSON**

Chief Warrant Officer Ronald Johnson is the *Herald-Citizen* Veteran of the Week. Johnson's sister, Becky Brown, and mother, Frances Johnson, are shown with his photograph. Johnson joined the U. S. Army in 1981, retiring in 2001. He served as pilot and in the 75<sup>th</sup> Ranger Regiment. He was wounded in combat during Operation Urgent Fury in Grenada in 1983, and also served in Operation Desert Storm. Johnson was working as a helicopter pilot in Iraq for Blackwater Securities when the helicopter he was piloting was shot down January 23, 2007, and he was killed. Johnson's photograph is on display at the Putnam County Veterans Hall, at 900 S. Walnut Ave. he is buried in Crest Lawn Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.

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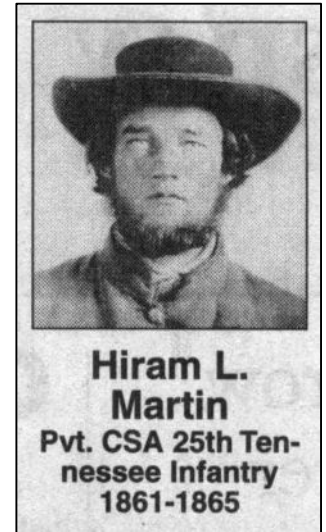


**GARY LYNN NABORS – CONNIE MAE NABORS-STOKLEY – ROBERT DUANE NABORS - HERMAN PRESLEY STEWART**

Betty V. Stark with photos of the *Herald-Citizen* Veterans of the Week, Gary Lynn Nabors, Connie Mae Nabors-Stokley, Robert Duane Nabors and Herman Presley Stewart. Stark is the daughter of Stewart, who served in the U. S. Army from May 29, 1919 to June 2, 1922. He served as a Private First Class with the 10<sup>th</sup> Coast Artillery Corps in World War I. He died Jan. 23, 1974 and is buried in Stewart Cemetery in Cookeville. Stark is the mother of Gary Nabors, who served with the U. S. Army National Guard from 1976 to 1981, achieving the rank of E6. Stark is the mother of Connie Mae Nabors-Stokley, who joined the U. S. Navy in 1976 and served until 1980 in San Diego, California. Stark is also the mother of Robert Nabors, who served in the U. S. Navy from July 27, 1979 to July 27, 1982, achieving the rank of E3. He served at Puget Sound Naval Ship Yard in Bremerton, Washington. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call 520-0042 or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave.

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#### **PVT. HIRAM L. MARTIN**

Pvt. Hiram L. Martin is the *Herald-Citizen* Veteran of the Week. Martin, who served with the Confederate States of America during the Civil War, is represented by his granddaughter, Nellie Martin West. Martin joined the Army Aug. 25, 1861, and was discharged in 1864. West said her grandfather served three years and 90 days, during which time he took part in numerous battles and was injured twice in the left arm. He died May 21, 1936, in Cookeville at the age of 97 and is buried in Dodson Branch Cemetery in Jackson County.

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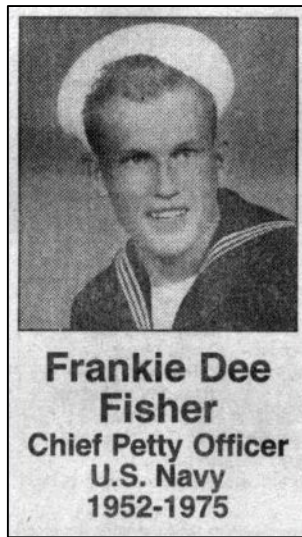
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#### **THOMAS H. POINTER**

Yeoman 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Thomas H. Pointer is the *Herald-Citizen* Veteran of the Week. Pointer was inducted into the U. S. Navy Jan. 20, 1945. He was discharged Aug. 20, 1946 after serving in World War II. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave. Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

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Tuesday, 25 November 2008  
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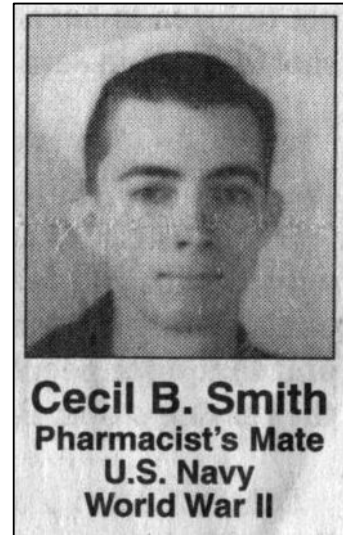
### **FRANKIE DEE FISHER SR.**

The *Herald-Citizen* Veteran of the Week is Chief Petty Officer Frankie Dee Fisher. Pictured with his photo are Carmela Navarro, great-granddaughter; Josephine Fisher, wife; Isabella Navarro, great-granddaughter; and Yvonne Fisher-Burnette, daughter. Fisher was inducted into the U. S. Navy in 1952 and was discharged in 1975. He served with the U. S. Pacific Fleet in Korea and Vietnam. Fisher died September 22, 2007, and is buried in Smellage Memory Gardens, Boma, Putnam Co., TN. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave. Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

Frankie Dee Fisher Sr., b. 29 March 1934, Putnam Co., TN – d. 22 September 2007, Putnam Co., TN is the son of Ralph Fisher & Ethel Alene Brewington.

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Tuesday, 2 December 2008 - Photo by Ty Kernea





### CECIL BROWN SMITH

Cecil Brown Smith, represented by his wife, Betty Jo Smith, is the *Herald-Citizen* Veteran of the Week. Smith served in the U. S. Navy during World War II. He died July 13, 2007 and is buried in Crest Lawn Cemetery. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave. Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

Cecil Brown Smith is the son of Robert "Pate" and Loretta West Smith.

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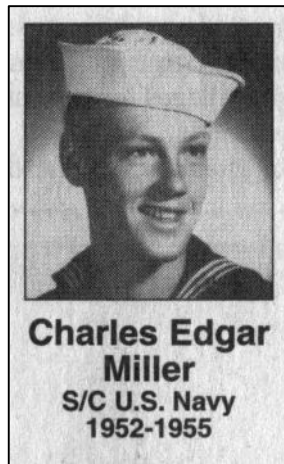
**SGT. JESSE HOWARD FLATT – SGT. LEAMON FOWLER FLATT, SGT. WESLEY C. FLATT – CPL. ZOLLIE HAROLD FLATT**

The *Herald-Citizen* Veterans of the Week are Sgt. Jesse Howard Flatt, represented by sister Opal L. Bohannon, left, and cousin Sue Cantrell. Sgt. Jesse Flatt served in the U. S. Army during World War II. Sgt. Leamon Flatt served in the U. S. Air Force during World War II. Sgt. Wesley Flatt served in the U. S. Army during World War II and Cpl. Flatt served in the U. S. Army National Guard and U. S. Army.

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#### **CHARLES EDGAR MILLER**

Charles Edgar Miller, represented by his wife, Emma Miller, is the *Herald-Citizen* Veteran of the Week. Miller served in the U. S. Navy during the Korean War. He died June 17, 2008 and is buried in Crest Lawn Cemetery. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans hall, call 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave., Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

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Charles Edgar Miller is the son of Gideon Miller and Callie Ashburn Miller.



### **EARL YOUNG & OLIVER MARSH MASON**

The *Herald-Citizen* Veterans of the Week are Spec. Earl Young Mason, left, and Staff Sgt. Oliver Marsh Mason, right, joined by Bennie Carol Mason, Earl Mason's wife. Spec. Mason was inducted into the U. S. Army March 5, 1968 and was discharged Nov. 26, 1969. He served with the 4<sup>th</sup> Infantry/42<sup>nd</sup> Artillery Division in Vietnam. Staff Sgt. Mason was inducted into the U. S. Army National Guard June 1970 and was discharged July 31, 2004. He served with the HHT 3/278 Armored Cavalry Regiment. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave. Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

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### **ARVIL D. WEST AND PFC ROBERT ANDERSON WEST**

The *Herald-Citizen* Veterans of the Week are Cpl. Arvil D. West and PFC Robert Anderson West, represented by nieces Opal L. Bohannon and Sue Cantrell. Both served in the U. S. Marine Corps during World War II.

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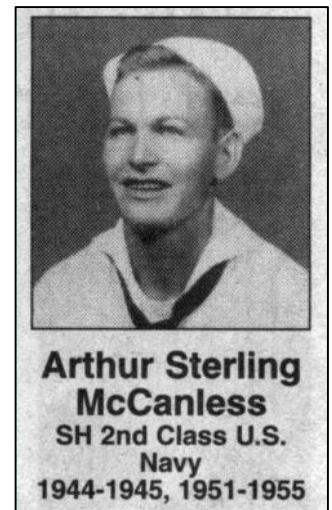


## 2<sup>ND</sup> LT. JOHN DILLARD SMITH



The *Herald-Citizen* Veterans of the Week IS 2<sup>ND</sup> Lt. John Dillard Smith, represented by Margaret Lee Markum, his great-great-granddaughter and a member of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. Smith served with Company K of the Tennessee Cavalry of the Confederate States of America. Smith died while in the service and is buried in Florence, Ala. Markum encourages everyone interest in learning more about the United Daughters of the Confederacy to attend meetings the first Wednesday of each month at noon at the Cookeville branch of the Putnam County Library. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave. Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

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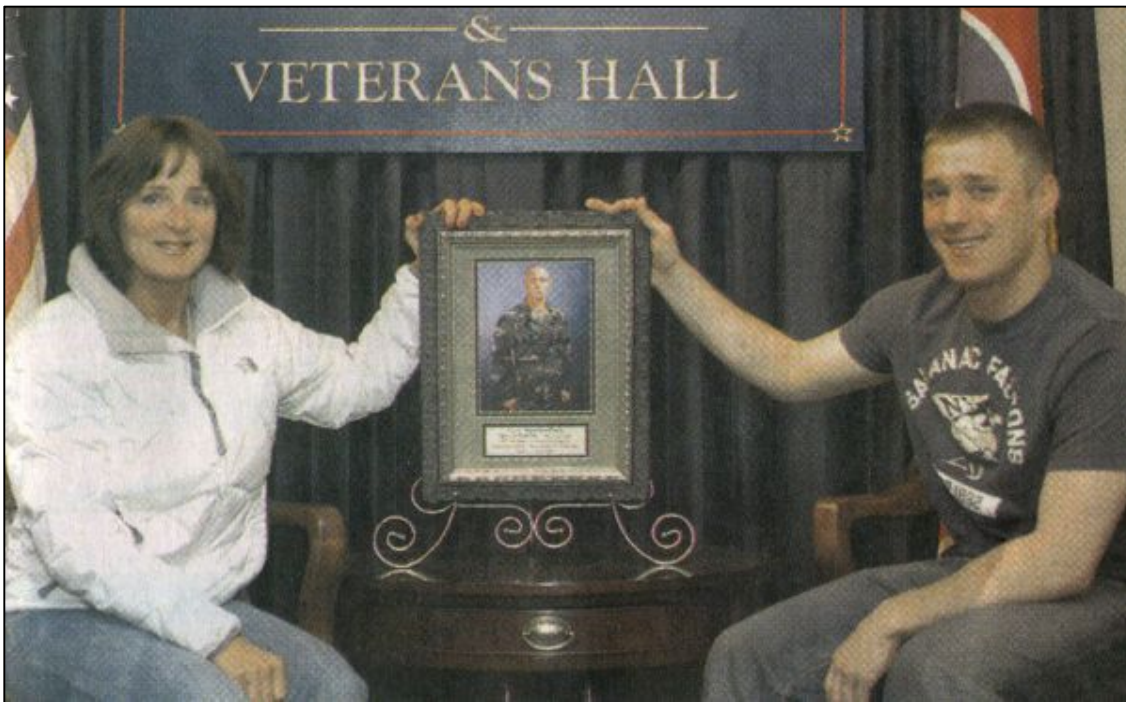


## SH 2<sup>ND</sup> CLASS STERLING MCCANLESS U.S. NAVY

Ship's Serviceman 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Sterling McCanless, second from left, is the *Herald-Citizen* Veterans of the Week. McCanless was also recently presented a display showcase at the Putnam County Veterans Hall by his sons. On hand for the presentation are, seated, wife, Pat McCanless, and standing, from left, Scott McCanless, Sterling McCanless, Greg McCanless and Phillip McCanless. SH 2<sup>nd</sup> Class McCanless enlisted in the U. S. Navy in 1944 at the age of 17. He served until 1946. He returned to the Navy in 1951, serving until 1955. He also served in the National Guard for 30 years and was the Veterans Service Officer for Putnam County for several years. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave. Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

*Herald-Citizen*, Cookeville, TN: Tuesday, 10 February 2009, front page – photo by Camille Fliss-Mayberry.

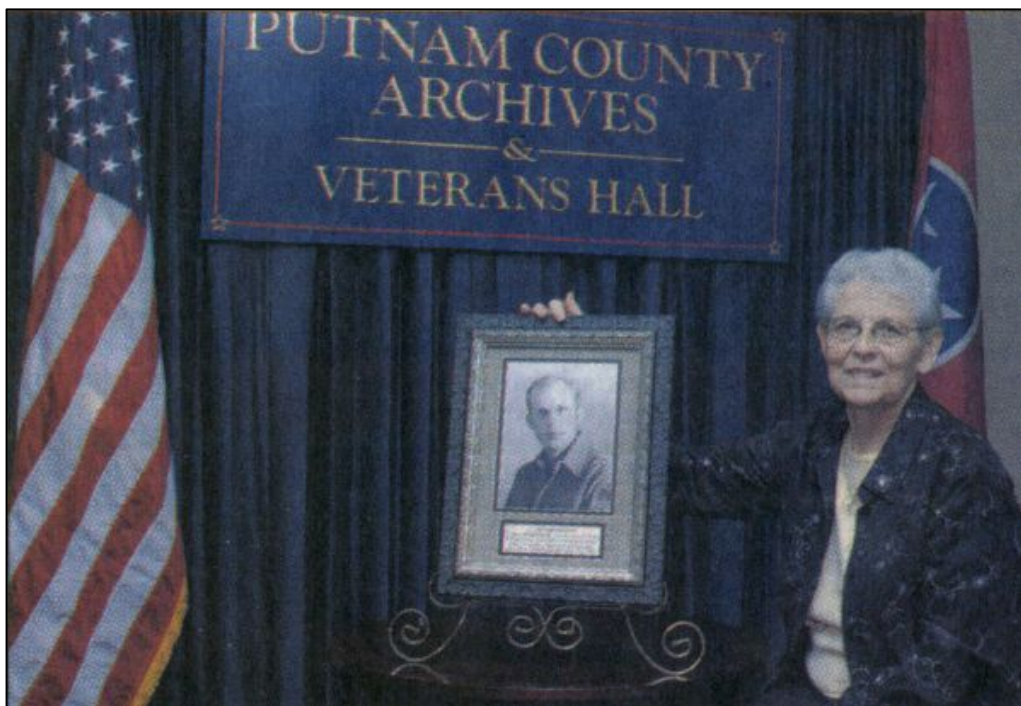




### **LT. JAMES PAINTER**

First Lt. James Painter, right, is the *Herald-Citizen* Veterans of the Week. He is pictured with his mother, Stephanie Pippin. Painter joined the U. S. Army in 2004 and is currently serving as 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant in the Army in Iraq. He is a member of the 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division D Company. His duty station is in Fort Polk, LA. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave. Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

*Herald-Citizen*, Cookeville, TN: Tuesday, 17 February 2009 - Photo by Ty Kernea.



### **T5 DIBRELL M. BOYD**

T5 Dibrell M. Boyd, represented by his wife, Jane M. Boyd, is the *Herald-Citizen* Veterans of the Week. Boyd was inducted into the U. S. Army Nov. 27, 1941, and was discharged Oct. 16, 1945. He served with the 66 Armored Regent in Africa and Europe. Boyd died August 22, 2002, and is buried in the Salem community. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave. Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

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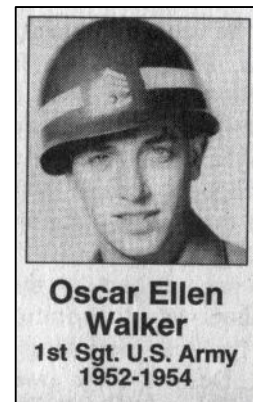




### FIRST SGT. OSCAR ELLEN WALKER

First Sgt. Oscar Ellen Walker, resented by his daughter Angie Woolbright, is the *Herald-Citizen Veteran of the Week*. Walker was inducted into the U. S. Army December 1, 1952, and served until December 1, 1954, during the Korean Conflict with the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Infantry Division. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call, 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave., Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

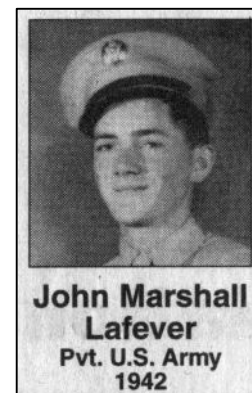
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### PVT. JOHN MARSHALL LAFEVER

Pvt. John Marshall Lafever, represented by his sister Frances Holman, is the *Herald-Citizen Veteran of the Week*. Pvt. Lafever was inducted into the U. S. Army April 23, 1943. He was killed in action in North Africa during World War II. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call, 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave., Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

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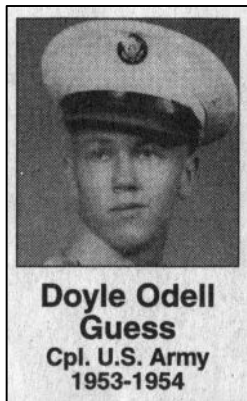




### CPL. DOYLE ODEL GUESS

Cpl. Doyle Odel Guess, seated, is the *Herald-Citizen* Veteran of the Week. Joining Guess for the photo are, from left, front row, Kaitlyn Livingston, Kathryn Livingston and Cassidy Holt and, back, row, Krisy Livingston, Kierstyn Livingston, Gladys Hart, Hank Guess, Tammy Guess, Sheyene Holt and Crystal Holt. Cpl. Guess served in the U. S. Army from January 16, 1953 to December 1954, during the Korean War. He was assigned to the 572 Military Police in Austria and Germany. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call, 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave., Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

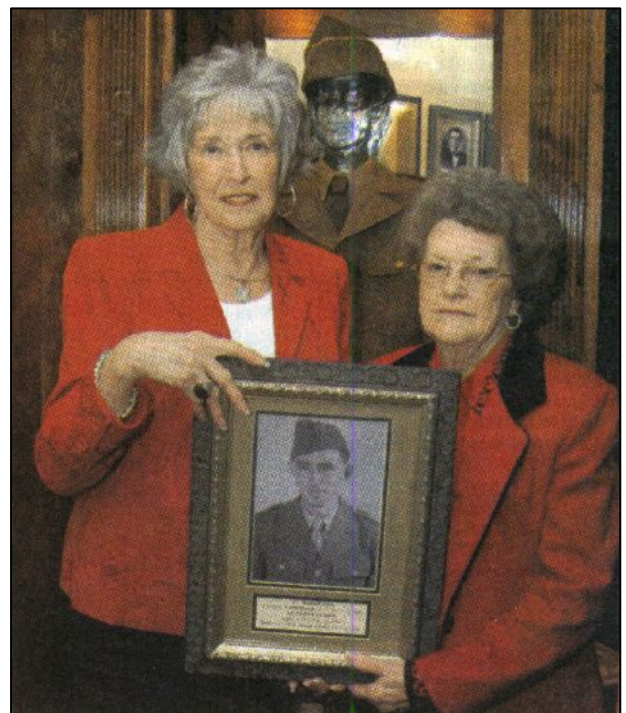
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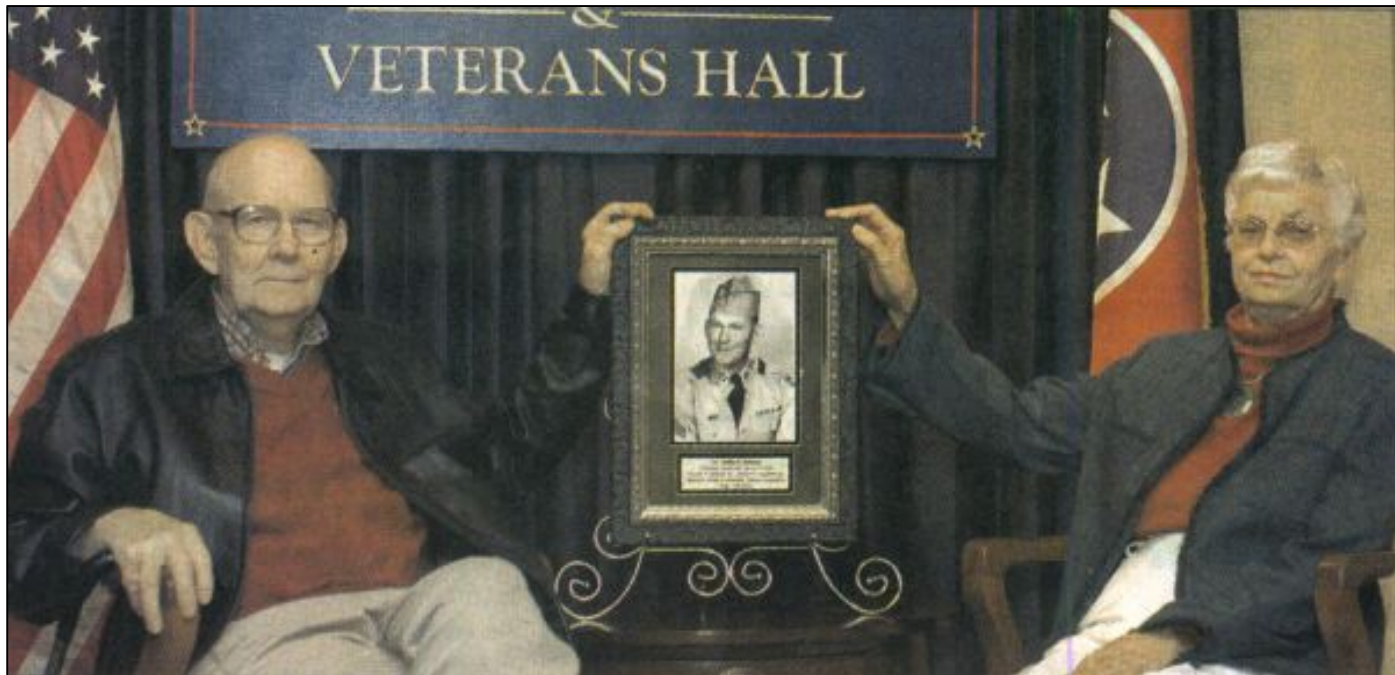
### RUBIN CUMBY

Rubin Cumby, represented by sisters Amy Gentry and Betty Huddleston, is the *Herald-Citizen* Veteran of the Week. Cumby enlisted in the U. S. Army Oct. 17, 1942. He was killed in action July 12, 1944. He served in Naples, Rome and Italy and was awarded the Good Conduct Medal, Infantry Badge and the Purple Heart. He is buried in Cookeville City Cemetery. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call, 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave., Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

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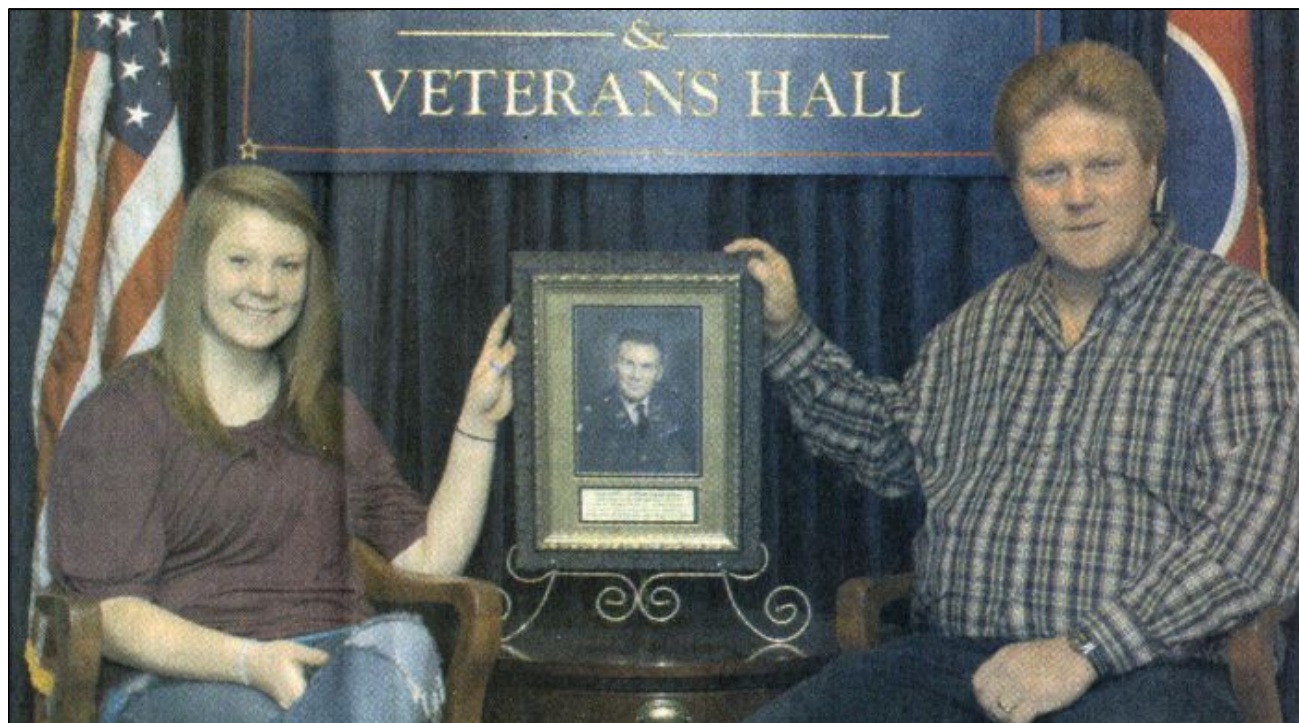




**CPL DALLAS C. HOLMAN**

Cpl. Dallas C. Holman, left, is the *Herald-Citizen* Veteran of the Week. He is joined by his wife, Frances Holman. Cpl. Holman was inducted into the U. S. Army Oct. 14, 1952 and discharged Oct. 13, 1954. He trained at Ft. Jackson, SC and served at Ft. Campbell, KY and in Germany. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call, 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave., Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

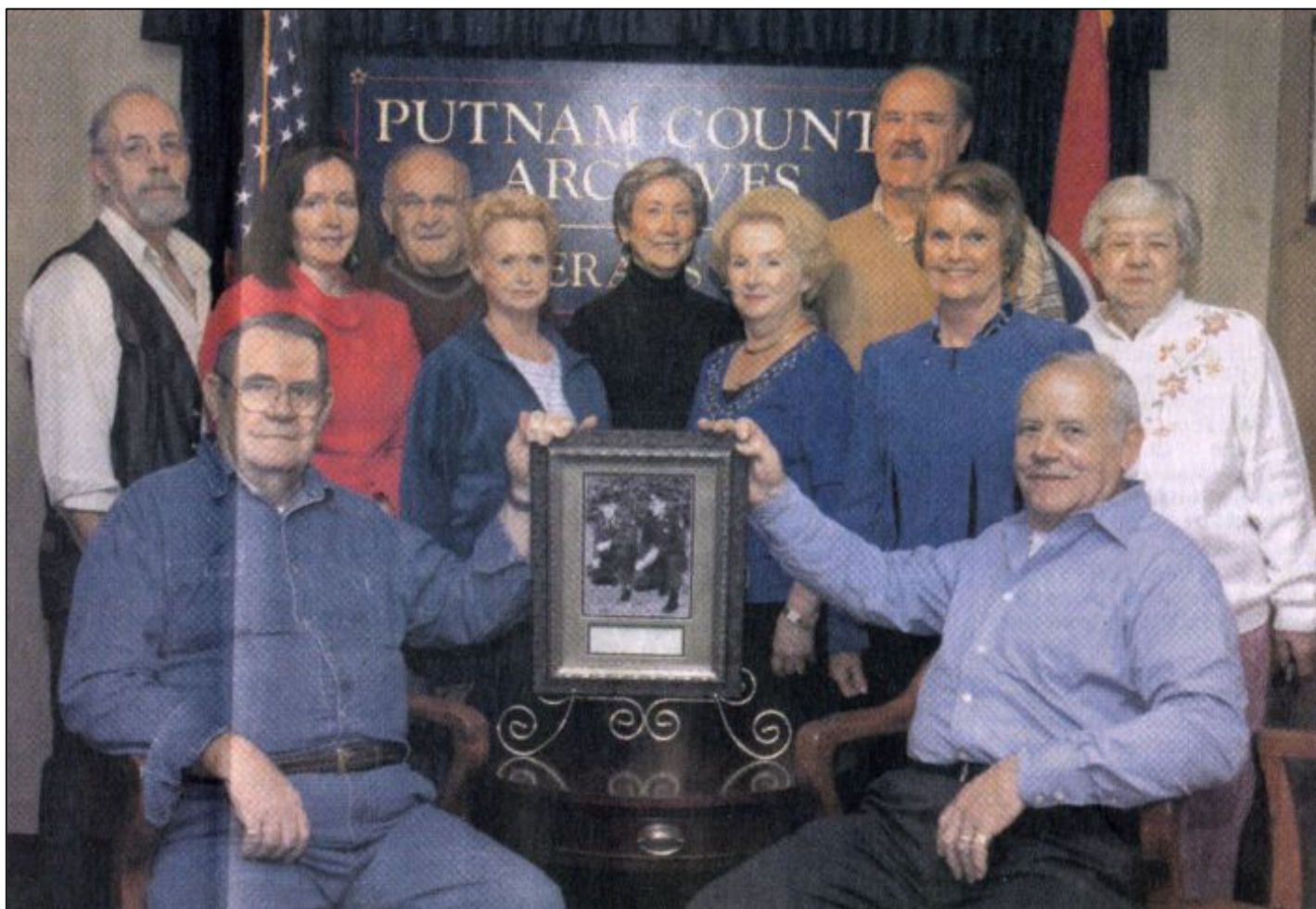
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**LT. COL. WILLIE EUGENE ALLISON**

Lt. Col. Willie Eugene Allison, represented by his granddaughter Gayla Allison and son Bill Anderson, is the *Herald-Citizen* Veteran of the Week. Allison, who was a native of Baxter and a Tennessee Tech University graduate, received his commission in to the U. S. Army in 1955, serving with the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne and the 1<sup>st</sup> Air Cavalry. He served two tours in Vietnam, 1962-1963 and 1968-1969, and also served in Germany; Okinawa; Korea; Fort Sill, OK; Fort Gordon, GA and as an instructor and coordinator for the R.O.T.C. program at East Tennessee State University. He earned the Air Commendation Medal, Bronze Star Medal and six other medals during his 20-years career. He was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in 1969 at the age of 36. He retired in 1975 and died in 1994.

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### COMMAND SGT. MAJ. OTTO DILLON

Command Sgt. Maj. Otto Dillon, seated on the right, is the *Herald-Citizen* Veteran of the Week. He is joined by his twin brother, Osco Dillon, seated on the left, and, standing, from left, nephew and wife Charles and Linda Stewart; brother-in-law Herman Barth; Osco's wife, Juanita Dillon; sister Ann Bowman; Betty Clouse, fiancée of brother Howard Cyle Dillon, standing to the left; wife, Bonnie Dillon; and Dorcus Willeford, sister. Dillon served in the U. S. Army during Korea, Vietnam and Desert Storm. He was awarded the Silver Star, two Bronze Stars, the Cross of Gallantry and five purple hearts. He was a jump master. He served in Korea from 1950 to 1953 and Vietnam for 1965 to 1966. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call, 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave., Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

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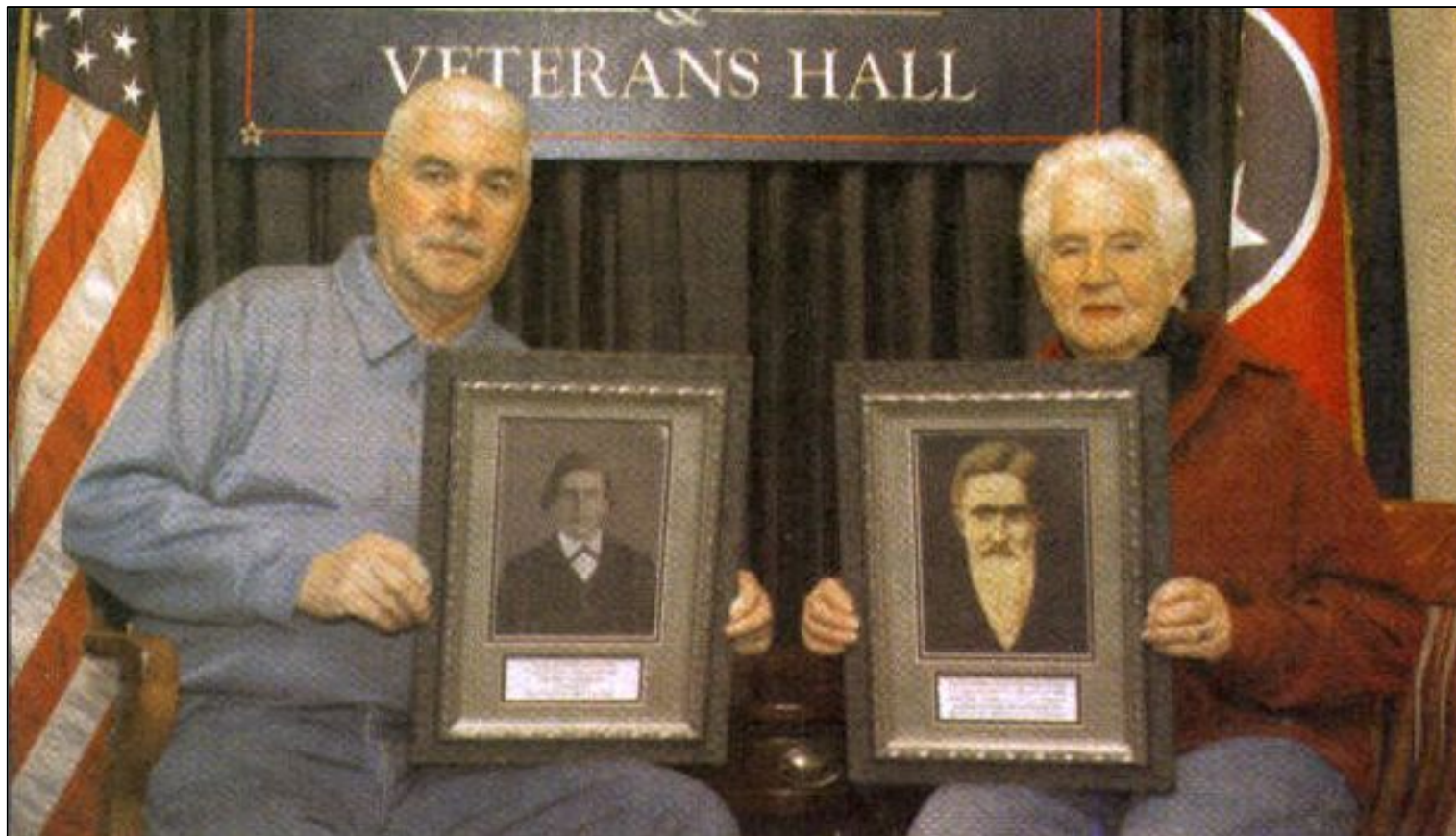
**SGT. LEONARD FOWLER FLATT**

Sgt. Leonard Fowler Flatt, represented by his wife, Loretta Flatt, is the *Herald-Citizen* Veteran of the Week. Flatt served in the U. S. Marine Corps from August 8, 1951 through August 9, 1959 during Korea. He served with Fox Co. 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, First Division. He was born 8 January 1923 - died October 17, 1990, and is buried in Phillips Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.

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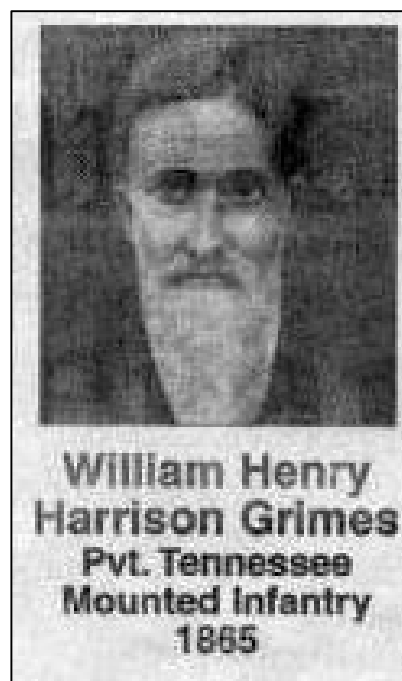
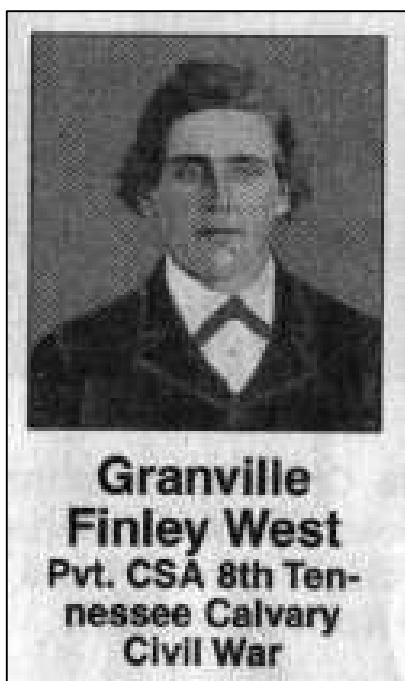
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**PVT. GRANVILLE FINLEY WEST & PVT. WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON GRIMES**

Pvt. Granville Finley West and Pvt. William Henry Harrison Grimes are the *Herald-Citizen* Veteran of the Week, represented by great-great-grandson Bill Grimes and great-granddaughter, Nettie Ford. West served in the Confederate States of America Co H 8<sup>th</sup> Tennessee Cavalry Regiment during the Civil War. He died March 15, 1867 and is buried in Double Springs Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN. Grimes served in the U. S. Army from February 21, 1865 to August 17, 1865, in Co. C of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Mounted Infantry. He was captured at Centerville in Hickman County. He died October 18, 1912, and is buried in Grimes Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN, located behind Samaria Church of Christ on Burgess Falls Road. There is 1 large monument listing all persons buried here, (no dates). The stone was erected jointly by their families. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call, 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave., Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

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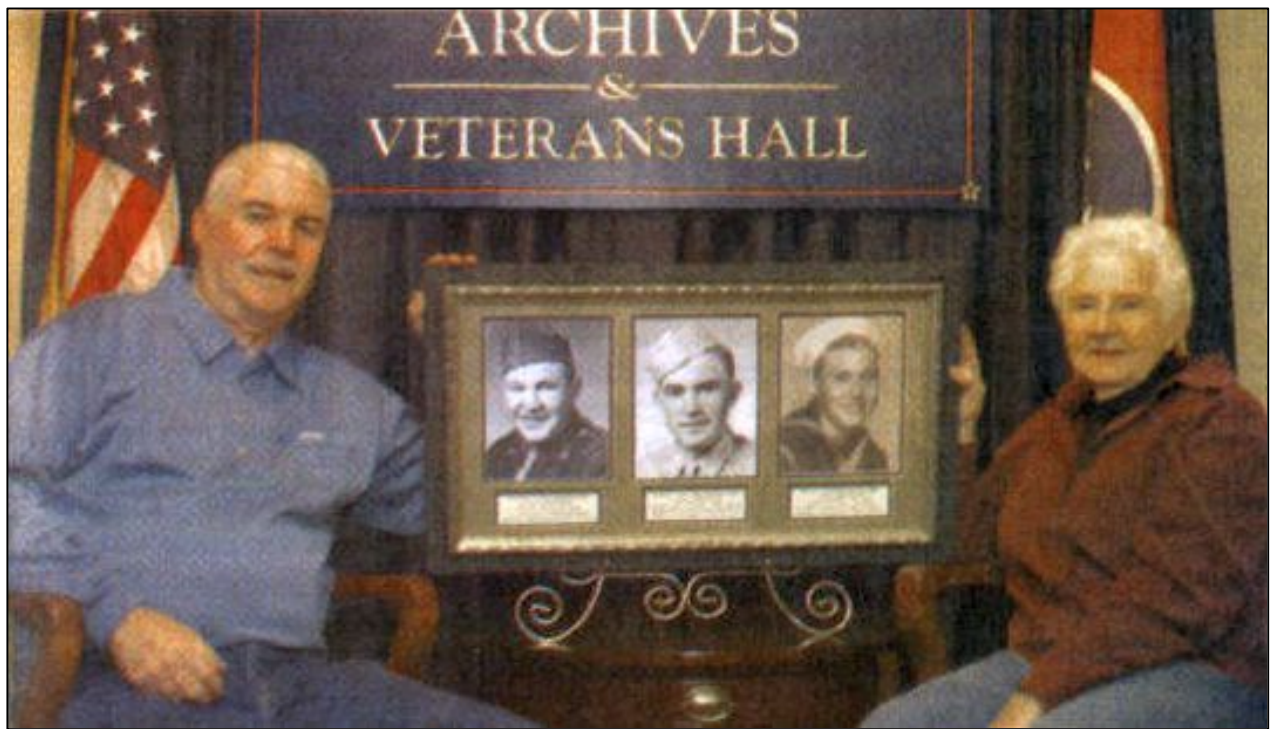




**PFC. ALBERT CORDELL THOMPSON SR.**

Pfc. Albert Cordell Thompson Sr. represented by sons Tommy Thompson, left, and Eddie Thompson, is the *Herald-Citizen* Veteran of the Week. Son Albert Cordell Thompson Jr. is not pictured. Thompson joined the U. S. Army in 1942, serving in General Patton's Third Army in the 68<sup>th</sup> Tank Battalion (Pfc 68 Tank BN WWII). He was killed in action April 22, 1945, and is buried in Cookeville City Cemetery. He married Elise M. Thompson, b. 2 April 1916. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call, 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave., Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

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### TEC-5 HENRY D. GRIMES, TEC-5 JAMES DEMPSEY GRIMES AND SEAMAN 1<sup>ST</sup> CLASS LAWRENCE G. GRIMES

*Herald-Citizen* Veterans of the Week are Tec-5 Henry D. Grimes, Tec-5 James Dempsey Grimes and Seaman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Lawrence G. Grimes, represented by Bill Grimes, nephew, and Nettie Ford, sister. Henry Grimes joined the U. S. Army January 1, 1943, and was discharged October 7, 1945. He served in Europe during World War II. He died November 3, 2007, and is buried in Cookeville City Cemetery. James Grimes joined the U. S. Army January 1, 1943, serving during World War II in Europe. He died February 2, 1977 and is buried in West Cemetery. Lawrence Grimes entered the U. S. Navy June 29, 1943 and was discharged December 9, 1945. He served during World War II in the American, European and Pacific theaters. He died June 25, 1999, and is buried in Oneida. He was awarded a Bronze Star. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call, 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave., Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

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**Henry D. Grimes** was born Nov. 3, 1919, in Putnam County to the late William Eldredge and Maggie Jane West Grimes. His family includes his wife, Lois Bullington Grimes of Cookeville (married March 7, 1958, in Cookeville); a son and daughter-in-law, Bill and Kathy Grimes of Cookeville; two sisters and a brother-in-law, Nettie Ford of Cookeville and Louise and Clarence Wilson of Baxter; a granddaughter, Amy McClure and husband Brian of Cullowhee, N.C.; and a great-granddaughter, Cassidy McClure.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Grimes was preceded in death by his first wife, Marie Lamb Grimes; four brothers, Dewey, Norvell (Dick), James Dempsey and Grady (Joe) Grimes; and a sister, Marie Grimes Southgate.

**James Dempsey Grimes** was born 12 February 1922 and died 2 February 1977. He was the son of William Eldredge Grimes born 21 May 1883 – d. 3 November 1967 and Maggie Jane (West) Grimes, b. 21 June 1889 – d. 11 May 1980, daughter of America F. West born 23 February 1867 – d. 29 April 1942. All buried in the West Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.



**Henry D. Grimes**

\*See Cookeville City Cemetery  
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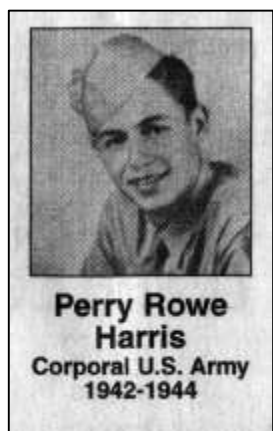




### DONATIONS TO THE VETERANS HALL

In front from left, Cookeville Junior Women's Club president Deborah Allen, public affairs chair Kim Veers and vice president Dylcia J. Cowan hold a double showcase that they have donated to Glenn Jones (back) and the Putnam County Veterans Hall. The showcase features two brothers who were killed in action during World War II. First Lt. Finis Ewing Harris Jr. (right) served in the Army Air Corps from June 1944 until December 15, 1944. His remains are buried in England. At left, Cpl. Perry Rowe Harris served in the Army Air Corps from June 1942 until November 12, 1944. His remains are buried in the Philippines. Any business or organization can donate a showcase to the Veterans Hall. Their name will be permanently displayed on the donated showcase. For more information, call Glenn Jones at (931) 520-0042.

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**STAFF SGT. ROBERT RAY DENNY, CPL. HAROLD DENTON DENNY  
AND STAFF SGT. TAMMER JERRY DENNY**

Staff Sgt. Robert Ray Denny, Cpl. Harold Denton Denny and Staff Sgt. Tammer Jerry Denny, represented by their sister Sue Denny Richardson, are the *Herald-Citizen* Veterans of the Week. Robert Denny served in the U. S. Army Air Corp from February 1943 until July 1945, serving in the United States, England, France and Germany. He died in November 2005 and is buried in Veterans Cemetery in Cheltnham, MD. Harold Denny served in the U. S. Army from July 15, 1950 to August 15, 1952, in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Armored Division 30<sup>th</sup> Tank Battalion at Ft. Knox, KY. Tammer Denny served in the U. S. Air Force from December 1950 to September 1954. He served with the 6<sup>th</sup> Air Force Southern Command in the Panama Canal Zone.

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Robert Ray (1924-2005), Harold Denton and Tammer Jerry “Gus” Denny are sons of George Harold Denny (1899-1956) and Emmerline “Lyon” Whitaker (1903-1995), both buried in the Rock Springs Cemetery, Rock Springs, Putnam Co., TN.



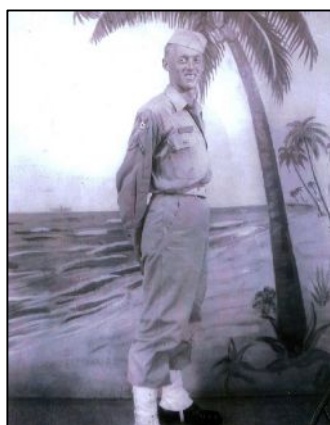
Harold Denton & wife, Jessie  
Lois (Guess) Denny



L To R: George Harold Denny, Joyce McConnell Denny & her husband,  
Robert Ray Denny Sr.



Tammer Jerry “Gus” Denny & his wife  
Mary Pearl (Rollins) Denny.







### **MAJ. WILLIS CARTER JR.**

Maj. Willis Carter Jr., represented by his wife, Anna L. Carter, is the *Herald-Citizen* Veterans of the Week. Carter joined the U. S. Army in 1940 and was discharged in 1961. He served in World War II and Korea in the tank destroyer battalion. Carter died June 15, 2006 and is buried in Crest Lawn Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN.

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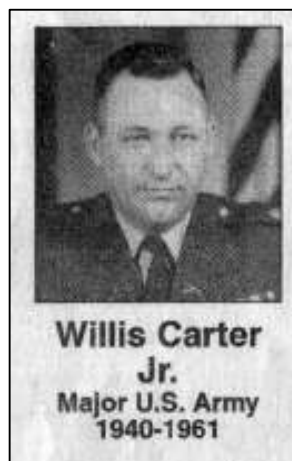
Major Carter died Thursday, June 15, 2006, in Cookeville Regional Medical Center.

He was born March 28, 1921, in Putnam County to the late Willis and Ethel McKinley Carter.

Major Carter served in the US Army for 22 years and was a veteran of WW II and the Korean Conflict, having served in the Philippine Islands, Korea, Austria, Germany and Japan. Following the service, Major Carter worked with the US Civil Service Commission for 16 years.

He was a 32nd Degree, 50-year Mason, a Shriner and a member of Cookeville Masonic Lodge #0266. Major Carter was past president of National SoJourners in Tokyo, Japan, Four Devens Massachusetts and Arlington, Va. He was a past commander of "Hero" of 76, Arlington, Va., and a member of the Royal Order of Jesters; a past president of the Cookeville Shrine Club and past president of the Cookeville Country Club.

He was a member of First United Methodist Church and a member of the Backslider's Club.





**PFC. OAKLEY B. GAW**

Pfc. Oakley B. Gaw, represented by wife, Ruby Gaw, and daughters Jennifer Ray and Brenda Winton, is the *Herald-Citizen* Veteran of the Week. Gaw entered the U. S. Army May 9, 1944. He served in the 13<sup>th</sup> Armored Division in the European Theater during World War II, serving in France and Germany. He received the Purple Heart medal. He was discharged March 22, 1946. He died March 5, 2004, and is buried in Shipley Cemetery. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call, 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave., Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

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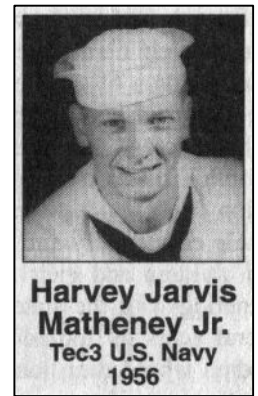
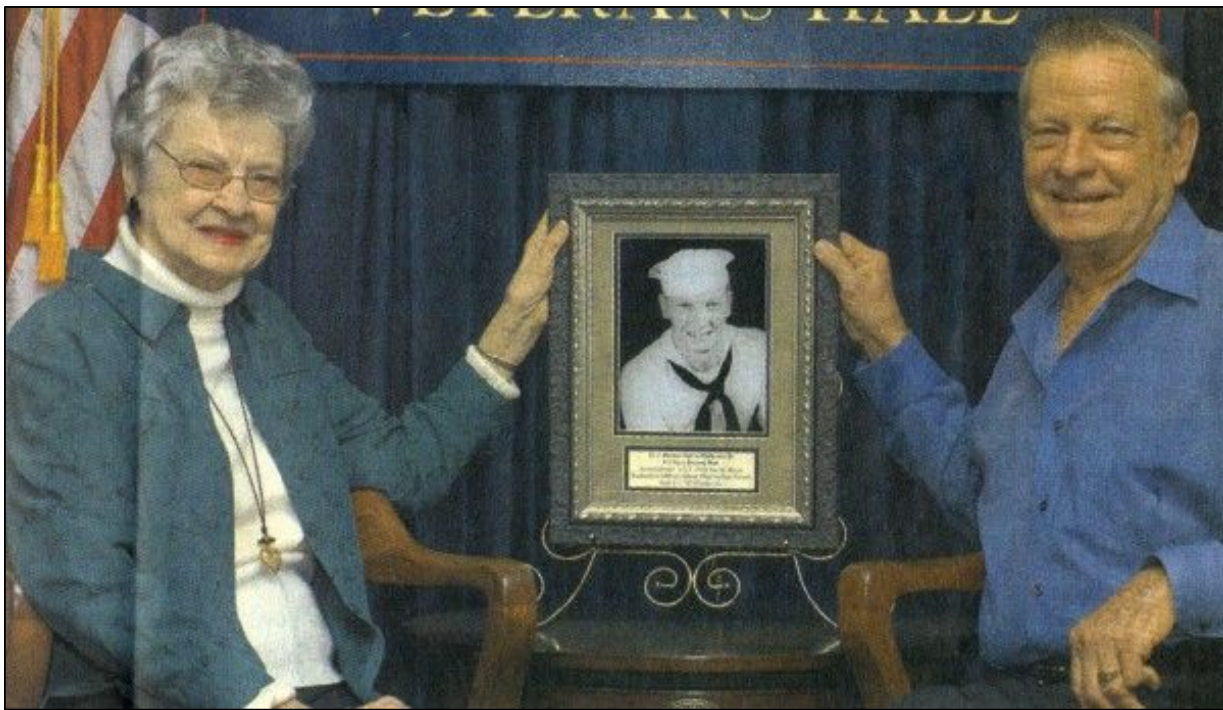


**LAWRENCE EARL HUDLESTON JR. AND SGT. LAWRENCE EDWARD HUDLESTON SR.**

Lawrence Earl Hudleston Jr. and Sgt. Lawrence Edward Hudleston Sr. and the *Herald-Citizen* Veterans of the Week. They are represented by Amy Gentry, holding the picture of her nephew, and Betty Hudleston, holding the picture of her husband. Hudleston Sr. served in the U. S. Air Force, enlisting Jan. 15, 1946. He was discharged December 21, 1948. He died May 11, 1994, and is buried in Crest Lawn Cemetery. Hedleston Jr. served in the U. S. Army during the Vietnam War, serving from January 7, 1970 to April 30, 1971. He died November 6, 1977, and is buried in Crest Lawn Cemetery. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call, 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave., Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

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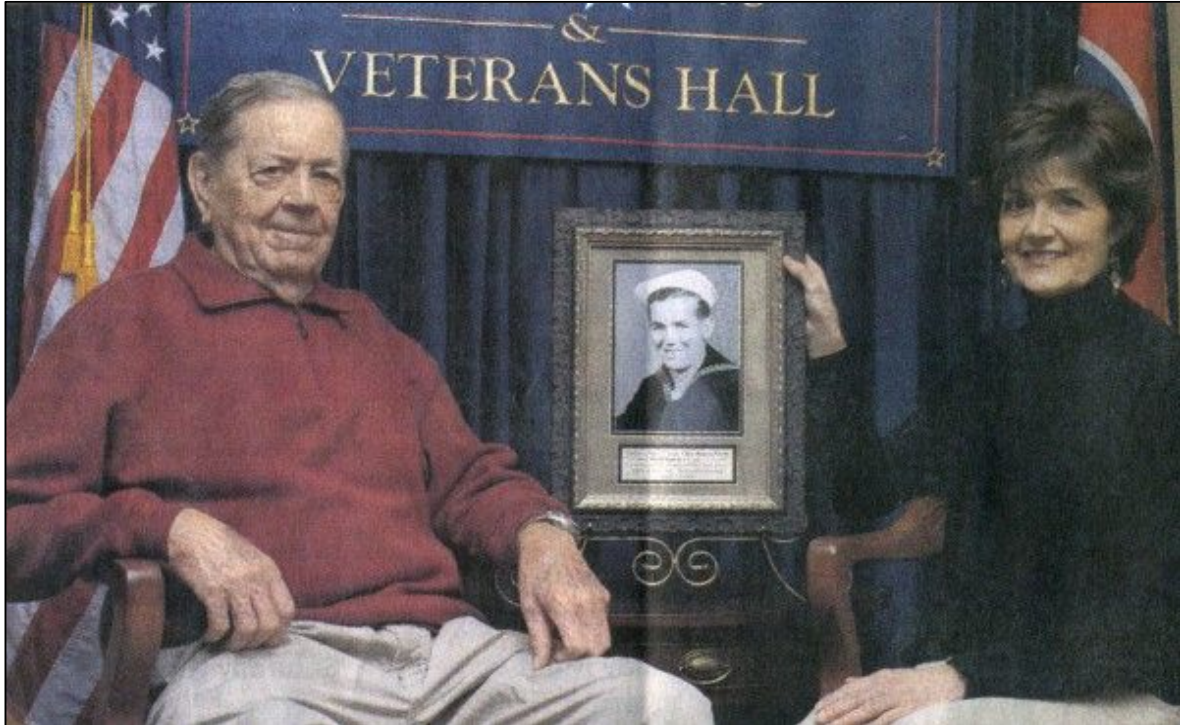




### TE3 JARVIS MATHENEY JR.

TE3 Harvey Jarvis Matheney Jr., right is the *Herald-Citizen* Veteran of the Week. He is joined in the photo by his sister, Gene Evelyn Warren. Matheney served in the U. S. Navy from 1952 to 1956 during the Korean Conflict, serving at Midway Island and Pearl Harbor. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans Hall, call 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave. Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

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### GUNNER'S MATE 2<sup>nd</sup> CLASS CLYDE REGNAL BROWN

Gunner's Mate 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Clyde Regnal Brown, left, is the *Herald-Citizen* Veteran of the Week. He is joined by his daughter, Bobbi Showalter. Brown was inducted into the U. S. Navy July 7, 1942, and was discharged Nov. 22, 1945. He served aboard the U.S.S. Nicholas DD/449 in the South Pacific. He participated in the battle of Kula Gulf and later assisted in the rescue of U.S.S. Helena survivors. For this action against the enemy, the ship was awarded the Presidential Unit Citation. For more information about the Putnam County Veterans hall, call 520-0042, or stop by the office at 900 S. Walnut Ave., Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

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