42d Infantry Division

In May 1942 a typical infantry regiment consisted of a headquarters and band, a headquarters company, a service company, an anti-tank company, a cannon company, and three infantry battalions.

In March 1943 the basic infantry regiment was reorganized to include a headquarters, a headquarters company, a service company, an anti-tank company, and three infantry battalions.

Each of the three infantry battalions consisted of a headquarters and headquarters company, three rifle companies and a heavy weapons company. Within each regiment, the 1st Battalion consisted of Companies A through D, the 2d Battalion consisted of Companies E through H, and the 3d Battalion consisted of Companies I through M (there was no Company J).

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Contents</u>	
Headquarters and Headquarters Company					
Grice, Harvey H.	Box 1	LTC	Headquarters, Division Chemical Officer	Two surveys	
Jeske, Russell G.	Box 1	SSG	Headquarters, Secretary/Clerk	Survey, newspaper clippings and published memoir, WWII Memories Recalled: A GI's Diary of Letters [Memoir transferred to the library holdings]	
Morton, John B.	Box 1	LTC	Headquarters, Office of the Judge Advocate	Survey	
222d Infantry Regiment					
Bell, David P.	Box 1	T/2	Headquarters Company	Survey	
Calhoun, Robert J.	Box 1	T/5	3d Battalion, Company L	Survey; typewritten letters home covering the period 7 February 1944 to 16 May 1946; memoir, "World War II Memoirs of Robert J. Calhoun;" memoir, "Memoirs of General Harry J. Collins;" large collection of newspaper clippings; certificates; General Orders; training regimen; meal tickets; map of Rainbow University, Zell Am See, Austria; Vienna pass; and history of the Rainbow University	

Campo, Vincent J.	Box 1	PFC	1st Battalion, Company B	Survey
Clemens, Robert B.	Box 1	SSG	3d Battalion, Company M	Survey
Dvorshock, Paul J.	Box 1	PFC	1st Battalion, Headquarters, Medical Detachment	Survey
Eisenstein, Morris	Box 1	SSG	2d Battalion, Company H	Survey
Griffith, Clarence E.	Box 1	CPT	1st Battalion, Headquarters Company	Survey
Howard, Clinton W.	Box 1	SGT	Unidentified unit	Survey
Jones, Samuel A.	Box 1	PFC	2d Battalion, Company E	Survey
Taylor, James I.	Box 1	SGT	2d Battalion, Headquarters	Survey
Taylor, John W.	Box 1	MSG	1st Battalion, Company B	Survey
Thompson, George D.	Box 1	SGT	3d Battalion, Company M	Survey
Walker, John R.	Box 1	SGT	2d Battalion, Company G	Survey
Westbrook, Jack E.	Box 1	1LT	Anti-Tank Company	Survey
Williams, Lyle	Box 1	T/2	Headquarters, Intelligence and Reconnaissance Platoon	Survey
232d Infantry Regiment				
Bird, Roy H.	Box 1	PFC	1st Battalion, Company B	Survey
Church, William	Box 1	SGT	1st Battalion, Company D	Survey
Clark, Marlin C.	Box 1	SSG	1st Battalion, Company B	Survey
Doskocil, Emil	Box 1	PFC	2d Battalion, Unidentified unit	Survey
Essig, Raymond C.	Box 1	PFC	2d Battalion, Company G	Survey

Johnson, Theodore A.	Box 1	SSG	2d Battalion, Company H	Survey
Johnson, Wesley L.	Box 1	PFC	3d Battalion, Company K	Survey
Kaas, Daniel J.	Box 1	T/4	3d Battalion, Company L	Completed American Ex- Prisoner of War form
Keithan, John W., Jr.	Box 1	SSG	2d Battalion, Company H	Survey
McGovern, John J.	Box 2	CPL	1st Battalion, Company B	Survey and typed, unpublished unit history, "Over & Back" and typed reminiscences, "Prisoner of War History"
Messmer, Joseph H.	Box 2	SGT	2d Battalion, Headquarters Company; Company H	Survey and regimental roster
Neef, Walter G.	Box 2	T/4	3d Battalion, Company K	Survey
Palmeri, Charles J.	Box 2		3d Battalion, Company L	Survey
Pettus, James R.	Box 2	SSG	3d Battalion, Company K	Survey and unpublished unit history, "World War II History, 2nd Platoon, Co K, 232nd Regiment, 42nd 'Rainbow' Division"
Pica, Paul P.	Box 2	PFC	Anti-Tank Company	Survey
Refling, Jack G.	Box 2	SGT	3d Battalion, Company K	Survey
Schaefer, James C.	Box 2	SSG	3d Battalion, Company I	Two surveys, typed memoir, "Combat Reflections of James C. Schaefer" and an unpublished unit history of Company I
Schaeffer, Donald B.	Box 2	T/2	2d Battalion, Company F	Survey
Soule, Lloyd T.	Box 2	SSG	2d Battalion, Headquarters, Medical Detachment	Survey
242nd Infantry Regiment				
Barton, William C.	Box 2	SSG	2d Battalion, Company G	Survey
Campbell, James G.	Box 2	MAJ	2d Battalion, Company G	Survey

Donders, William A.	Box 2	SGT	3d Battalion, Company I; Company M	Survey
Evans, Arthur E.	Box 2	PFC	1st Battalion, Company A	Survey completed by widow, "Personal Recollections of January 9, 1945" and obituary
Fuller, Charles F.	Box 2	PFC	1st Battalion, Company D	Survey
Kline, Lawrence	Box 2	SGT	3d Battalion, Company M	Survey
Oerther, Vincent A.	Box 2	SSG	3d Battalion, Company I	Typed reminiscence, "Being Wounded: One of many Experiences of S/SGT Vincent A. Oerther During World War II," typed portion of diary, "The Last Forty-Two Days, February 15, 1946 to March 29, 1946, of S/SGT Vincent A. Oerther's Departure of the Army," and official document
O'Neill, Thomas B.	Box 2	SGT	2d Battalion, Company G	Survey
Ostar, Allan W.	Box 2	CPL	Cannon Company	Survey
Segel, Donald L.	Box 2	CPL	1st Battalion, Company B	Survey and "POW Story, January-May 1945"
Shober, John J.	Box 2	SFC	Anti-Tank Company	Survey
Stewart, William H.	Box 2	T/2	3d Battalion, Headquarters	Survey
Teale, Lloyd V.	Box 2	SSG	2d Battalion, Company G	Survey
Thompson, Norman A.	Box 2	PFC	2d Battalion, Company G	Survey, reminiscences, "The Last Sunday in April" and Unit history, <i>Kaltenhaus Remembered</i> " [Unit history transferred to the library holdings]
Trantham, Dolpher F.	Box 2	1SG	2d Battalion, Company F	Survey and unpublished unit history of Company F
Vanderlaan, Robert	Box 2	CPT	3d Battalion, Company I	Survey
Warren, James R.	Box 2	CPL	1st Battalion, Company B	Survey

42d Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized)

Trout, Phillip Box 2 Unpublished unit history,

"History of the 42nd Reconnaissance Troop (RECON), 42nd Infantry

Rainbow Division, World War II"

142d Engineer Combat Battalion

122d Medical Battalion

42d Division Artillery

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery

232d Field Artillery Battalion

Garth, Dick Box 2 PFC Battery B Ephemera from Rainbow

University located in Zell

Am See, Austria

Pizzi, Vincent Box 2 SGT Headquarters Survey

Battery

Reinhart, Franklin E. Box 2 Service Battery Annotated "Trail through Europe"

for Service Battery, obituary and

newspaper clippings

392d Field Artillery Battalion

Barrell, Fred C. Box 2 CPT Battery C Survey Cullum, Harold M. Box 2 T/5 Battery B Survey

402d Field Artillery Battalion

Anderson, Carroll R. Box 2 1SG Battery C Survey

542d Field Artillery Battalion

Special Troops

Headquarters Company

742d Ordnance Light Maintenance Company

42d Quartermaster Company

132d Signal Company

Military Police Platoon

Attached/Unidentified Units

Attached units supported the 42d Infantry Division at some point during the war, but were not organic to the division. Unidentified unit means that the veteran's survey indicated service with the 42d Infantry Division, but did not provide sufficient information regarding the specific subordinate unit.

Anonymous Box 2 SSG Unidentified unit Survey