

83d Infantry Division

The 83d Infantry Division, nicknamed the "Thunderbolt Division," was activated on 15 August 1942, at Camp Atterbury, Indiana. After participation in the Tennessee Maneuvers, the division deployed to the European Theater of Operations (ETO) arriving in England on 16 April 1944. The division returned to the United States on 26 March 1946 and subsequently was inactivated on 6 April 1946, at Camp Kilmer, New Jersey.

In 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>
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Headquarters and Headquarters Company

329th Infantry Regiment

Adams, Dwight L.	Box 1	COL	1st Battalion, Company D	Survey
Adrian, Arthur G.	Box 1	MAJ	3d Battalion	Survey, letters home, newspaper clippings, May 1989 issue of "The Beachhead," and the address given at dedication of a new VA clinic wing ["The Beachhead" transferred to the Periodical holdings]
Burkevage, Albert W.	Box 1	PFC	3d Battalion	Survey
Deitch, Joseph	Box 1	CPL		Survey
Gibson, James	Box 1	LT		Handwritten memoir, "The 83d Infantry Division in the Normandy Campaign of World War II"
Keck, Robert	Box 1	SSG	3d Battalion, Company L	Survey and 83d Infantry Division cloth shoulder patch [Shoulder patch transferred to the Army Heritage Museum]
Van Hoy, William K.	Box 1	SSG	2d Battalion, Company K	Survey
Welka, Felix F.	Box 1	PFC	1st Battalion, Company A	Survey

Young, James H.	Box 1	T/4	Anti-Tank Company	Survey
<u>330th Infantry Regiment</u>				
Catalfamo, Rocco J.	Box 1	T/2	1st Battalion, Company C	Survey and typed memoir, "You Had to Have Good Buddies"
Deffenbaugh, Foster H.	Box 1	CPT	2d Battalion, Headquarters Company	Survey
Denniston, Joe	Box 1	1SG	Cannon Company	Survey
Jones, Elmer D.	Box 1			[See: 89th Infantry Division, 354th Infantry Regiment]
Farrell, William J.	Box 1	COL	2d Battalion, Company F	Survey and typed memoir, "My Personal Memories of World War II"
Gredinger, Roland N.	Box 1	T/5	1st Battalion, Company B	Survey
Reed, George	Box 1	SSG	1st Battalion, Company D	Survey, discharge, newspaper
Roper, Wilbur J.	Box 1	PFC	3d Battalion, Company L	Survey
Snyder, Clifford W.	Box 1	SGT	1st Battalion, Company C	Survey
Whitman, Stuart L.	Box 1	CPL	2d Battalion, Company H	(Folder 1) Official Army documents, 1945 unit Christmas menu, photocopies of several newspaper clippings, and booklet, <i>Jungfrau Railway</i> ; (Folder 2) Extensive collection of documents and maps pertaining to his R&R in Switzerland
<u>331st Infantry Regiment</u>				
Beinemann, Alfred E.	Box 1	PFC	3d Battalion, Headquarters Company	Survey
Bielen, Stanley P.	Box 1	CPL	1st Battalion, Headquarters Company	Survey and typed reflections, "My Recollections Before, During and After the Battle of Sainteny in Normandy"
Blake, Jack R.	Box 1	SGT		[See: 89th Infantry Division; 353d Infantry Regiment]
Copenhauer, Robert E.	Box 1	SSG	1st Battalion, Company B	Survey
Czaplicki, Matthew C.	Box 1	SGT	3d Battalion,	Survey

Halperin, Sanford B.	Box 1	COL	Company I 1st Battalion, Headquarters Company	Two surveys
Jacobs, John D.	Box 1			[See: 44th Infantry Division; 71st Infantry Regiment]
Lamb, Emanuel E.	Box 1	PFC	2d Battalion, Company H	Survey and several photocopied official and unofficial documents to include newspaper clippings
Meyers, Franklin	Box 1	CPL		Collection of official Army documents to include several Selective Service documents, <i>Soldier's Individual Pay Record</i> , photocopy of citation pertaining to the award of a Bronze Star Medal, photocopy of typed unit history, booklet, "Souvenir First ETO Tour," for the period 22 June – 8 July 1973, and two issues (4 December and 11 December 1942) of <i>The Atterbury Crier</i> [Both issues of <i>The Atterbury Crier</i> transferred to the Periodical Holdings]
Monan, Francis G.	Box 1	LTC	1st Battalion, Company A	Survey and typed memoir, "Recollections of Normandy"
Schuster, Norman	Box 1	SSG	1st Battalion, Company D	Survey; photocopy of the 83d's Order of Battle; photocopy of an extract, "Elbe Bridgehead" from an unidentified publication; photocopy of his Silver Star citation; photocopy of an extract, "The First Day" from an unidentified Publication; and several photocopies of newspaper articles and associated materials
Tonnesen, Sander	Box 1	MAJ	1st Battalion	Survey
Torrieri, Anthony	Box 1	PFC	3d Battalion, Company L	Survey

83d Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized)

83d Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment

308th Engineer Combat Battalion

Colihan, Thomas J.	Box 1	CPL	Company B	Survey
Doll, Henry A.	Box 1		Not Identified	Survey

Hanft, John D.	Box 1	1LT	Company A	Survey, a handwritten reflections, "A Replacement Goes to the ETO – May 1944," and a canvas-backed folding map
Lowery, Leo L.	Box 1	SGT	Company A	Survey, photocopies of his Honorable Discharge, Enlisted Record and Report of Separation and Separation Qualification Record, and large number of photocopied newspaper clippings pertaining to the 83d Infantry Division
Settle, George C.	Box 1	SSG	Company A	Survey

308th Medical Battalion

83d Infantry Division Artillery

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery

Alexander, Richard R., Jr.	Box 1	2LT	Headquarters Battery	Survey
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322d Field Artillery Battalion

Massie, Ellsworth S.	Box 1	1SG	Battery A	Survey, photocopies of letters since to his family members and a story, "Christmas in August: A True Story of World War II"
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323d Field Artillery Battalion

324th Field Artillery Battalion

Burr, Edward II	Box 2	COL	Battery A	Survey, division history, after action reports, declassified orders
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908th Field Artillery Battalion

Lash, Warren L.	Box 1	PVT	Service Battery	[See: Brossman – Separate Papers]
Sites, George E., Jr.	Box 1	1SG	Headquarters Battery	Survey and photocopies of Korean War-era newspaper clippings

Headquarters Special Troops

Headquarters Company

783d Ordnance Light Maintenance Company

Rangnow, Warren	Box 1	T/4		Survey, 1994 "Map of D. Day Beaches," small collection of letters and V-Mail, photocopied newspaper clipping, 1994 V Corps commemorative calendar, video tape, "The Life and Times of a World War II Veteran," three issues of 83d Infantry Division's unit newspaper, <i>Thunderbolt</i> , one issue of the 308th Medical Battalion's unit newspaper, <i>Bn Breeze</i> , and five issues of the 331st Infantry Regiment's unit newspaper, <i>The TTF</i> [The video was transferred to the Audio/Visual Archives; the unit newspapers were transferred to the Periodical Holdings]
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83d Quartermaster Company**83d Signal Company**

O'Neill, Harold J.	Box 1	MAJ		Two surveys and large collection of typed one- and two-page photocopied reflections on his military service
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Military Police Platoon**Attached / Unidentified Units**

Attached units supported the 83d 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 83d Infantry Division, but did not provide sufficient information regarding the specific subordinate unit.

Gibson, James	Box 2		Unidentified unit	memoir
Killian, Albert	Box 1		Donor	Photocopies of official documents pertaining to the Prisoner of War camp established in Opelika, Alabama, and photocopies of numerous newspaper clippings about the 83d Infantry Division
Perun, Andrew J.	Box 1	T/5	Unidentified regiment, 2d Battalion, Company H	Survey
Rangnow, Warren	Box 2			Cover page introduction to film

Roush, John H., Jr.	Box 1	COL	Unidentified unit	<p>Survey and separate boxes containing an extensive collection of correspondence, and draft chapters of the 1996 book, <i>World War II Reminiscences</i>, containing a collection of combat memories by veterans living in California.</p> <p>Box 1</p> <p>Folder 1: Galley pages for the first half of the publication, <i>World War II Reminiscences</i></p> <p>Folder 2: Galley pages for the second half of the publication, <i>World War II Reminiscences</i></p> <p>Folder : Amundsen, Earl M.</p> <p>Folder : Anderson, Milton S.</p> <p>Folder : Ayers, Lawrence S.</p> <p>Folder : Barnes, Jack W.</p> <p>Folder : Bernstein, Julius E.</p> <p>Folder : Bolthouse, Donn C.</p> <p>Folder : Bowen, Sidney</p> <p>Folder : Brannan, William W.</p> <p>Folder : Bruce, Ben C.</p> <p>Folder : Carlton, Walker</p> <p>Folder : Chapman, William A.</p> <p>Folder : Claven, Jack B.</p> <p>Folder : Coutts, Alexander T.</p> <p>Folder : Craig, Warren L.</p> <p>Folder : Dickey, Charles</p> <p>Folder : Dillinger, William C.</p> <p>Folder : Dodge, Elliott G., Jr.</p> <p>Folder : Dodrill, Carl</p> <p>Folder : Doolittle, James H.</p> <p>Folder : Dorsk, Cyril H.</p> <p>Folder : Doughty, Edward D.</p> <p>Folder : Dussaq, Rene A.</p> <p>Folder : Fox, Harry W.</p> <p>Folder : Frame, Leonard W.</p> <p>Folder : Fulton, William B.</p> <p>Folder : Geer, Hal</p> <p>Folder : Gillis, Thomas D.</p> <p>Folder : Graf, Robert F.</p> <p>Folder : Grant, Artis C.</p> <p>Folder : Greenwald, Robert J.</p> <p>Folder : Hayden, Charles E.</p> <p>Folder : Henderson, Horace E.</p> <p>Folder : Holland, James D.</p> <p>Folder : Holm, Kenneth C.</p> <p>Folder : Kaufman, Mozart</p> <p>Folder : Lay, Kermit R.</p> <p>Folder : Kraft, Marvin</p>
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Folder : Kuperstein, Abner D.
 Folder : Larson, Thomas J.
 Folder : Marks, Milton
 Folder : Miller, Leo J.
 Folder : Mooney, Robert L.
 Folder : Munsch, Cyril C.
 Folder : Novaresi, Sidney S.
 Folder : Ogg, Robert D.
 Folder : Palassou, Robert K.
 Folder : Parsons, Denis M.
 Folder : Patton, George S.
 Folder : Riach, Douglas A.
 Folder : Robens, Gene A.
 Folder : Roscoe, John H.
 Folder : Rose, Philip E.
 Folder : Rychetnik, Joseph S.
 Folder : Schulman, Edward R.
 Folder : Shaw-Corthorn, George
 Folder : Skinner, Carlton
 Folder : Sparks, Bennett S.
 Folder : Stephens, Dale J.
 Folder : Stewart, Joseph H.
 Folder : Tanaka, Walter
 Folder : Terris, Alexander A.
 Folder : Upp, Robert D.
 Folder : Uyhata, Roy T.
 Folder : Villarin, Mariano
 Folder : Vogenitz, Richard B.
 Folder : Walker, Carroll
 Folder : Wamsley, George W.
 Folder : Wischemann, David J.
 Folder : Wood, William S.
 Folder : Wright, Richard H.
 Folder : Zarlengo, John

Shover, Harvey F.	Box 1	T/5	Unidentified unit	Survey
Stauffer, John W.	Box 1			[See: 89th Infantry Division, 355th Infantry Regiment
Wall, Charlie L.	Box 1	CPL	Unidentified unit	Survey
Warthen, William D.	Box 1	2LT	Unidentified unit	book containing POW stories