

Remember Them Forever

Name: Leroy Livingston

Birth: 16 Nov 1921
Myra, Cooke County, Texas

Death: 11 Apr 1976 (age 54)
Dallas, Dallas County, Texas

Cemetery: New Resthaven Cemetery, GPS: 33.6630169, -97.1463837
Gainesville, Cooke, Texas

Family:

Father:	Talmadge M Livingston (1892-1981)
Mother:	Mary Belle Jackson (1895-1967)
Spouse:	Alma Kathleen Watson (1922-2006) m. 1942
Children:	Janyce Ann, Robert and Connie

Military: World War II, enlisted US Army on 23 Oct 1942 at age 20. Left Gainesville on 12 Nov 1942 for Camp Wolters near Mineral Wells. Assigned to the 346th Ordnance Depot Co. The 346th was organized in 1942 at Camp Gruber, OK. After basic, operative and combat training there, the unit went to Louisiana and east Texas for maneuvers. During these operations General George Patton was impressed by the capabilities of the 346th.

By 12 Aug 1943 Cpl. Livingston had graduated from Fort Crook ordnance automotive school at Fort Crook, NE. In September of 1943, the outfit moved out to Camp Kilmer, NJ, a staging area near New York and a Port of Embarkation. The Company subsequently sailed for Scotland on the cruise ship Aquitania, which was the sister ship to the ill-fated Lusitania. At the Firth of Clyde a large ferry, the *Ben Macres*, took the unit across the rough Irish Sea to Belfast in Northern Ireland, and from there they took a train to Upper Ballinderry.

At the end of February 1944, it was over to Scotland, then to London and west to Cornwall to set up a field depot to equip the American Armed Forces for the invasion of Normandy. The 346 was picked for the extra duties of supplying waterproofing kits for the vehicles that were to land on the beaches.

The 346th Ordnance Depot Co. was the first ordnance depot company to cross the Rhine and enter Germany. TEC5 Leroy Livingston was discharged on 12 Dec 1945.

Civilian: On 14 Mar 1942 he married Kathleen Watson in Cooke County. They raised two daughters and one son. At the time of Leroy's death, he was employed by Bell Helicopter and the family lived in Sanger, TX.

Sources: Find a Grave, ancestry.com, Gainesville Daily Register and Messenger, 346 Reunion on www.tyler.net

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