

Honorable Discharge

This is to certify that

WALTER J. SAWYER

32269720, Corporal, Infantry

Army of the United States

is hereby Honorably Discharged from the military service of the United States of America.

This certificate is awarded as a testimonial of Monest and Faithful Service to this country.

Given at

Newton D Baker General Hospital Martinsburg, West Virginia

Date

21 May 1946

E. L. COOK
Colonel, Medical Corps
Commanding



IN U. S. HOSPITAL—Corp. Walter Sawyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sawyer, 2201 Bangs avenue, Neptune, is now in Crile General hospital, Cleveland, O., after having returned from France, where he was wounded Aug. 5. He was flown to Presque Isle, Me., and on Nov. 10 was transferred to Ohio.

<u>World War II Veteran</u> <u>Walter J. Sawyer SR</u> <u>August 5th 1913 to June 14th 1989</u> <u>Normandy and Northern France Campaigns</u>

Walter J Sawyer Sr. joined the U.S. Army on June 13, 1942 after basic training and was assigned to the 76th Infantry. They were formed in with the 2nd division (The Big Red 1) and sent to England to prepare for the D-day invasion. All members of the 2nd division that were trained for D-day landed on Omaha Beach in the early morning of June 7, 1944. He was one of those brave soldiers who made it off the beach and into an area in Northern France. There he was wounded in the hip and foot on August 4, 1944 by a German canon shell. The shell hit a crater that he and five other soldiers were in. He was sent to a hospital in England, then to Crile General hospital in Cleveland Ohio. He was awarded the European African Middle Eastern Theater Ribbon with two Bronze Stars, American Theatre Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal, Purple Heart and Victory Medal. He was given an Honorable discharge on May 21, 1946. He was also a member of the National Guard of the United States from 1932 to 1934. I am very proud to be a son of a man that was willing to fight for our freedom and the freedom of others.