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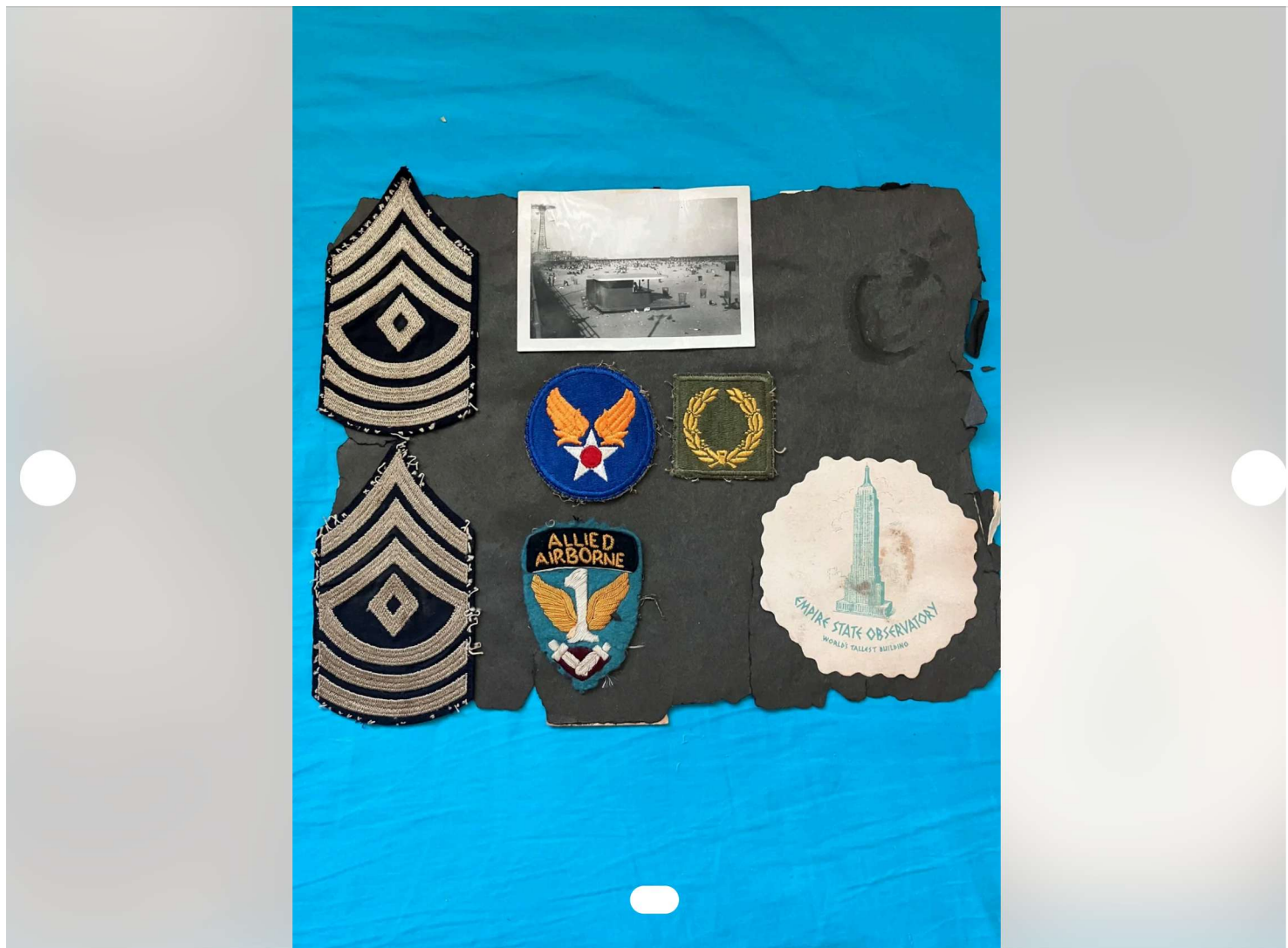


r/Medals • 26m ago

Snoo8631



Help identifying patches from WW2



Can someone please help me identify my friends dads role and what he may have done at DDay?

She knows he was at Normandy but would like to know more if possible.

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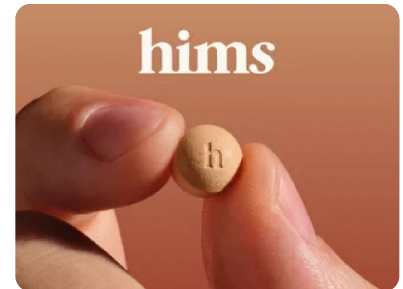
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Yes!

He was - Army First Sergeant within the Army Air Forces and First Allied Airborne Army. Interestingly, the FAAA patch looks like it was made in theatre.

The FAAA was a joint allied Airborne and Air Force command created after the D-Day landings to provide a unified "control room" for all air operations in the Western Front. It oversaw the landings for Market Garden, air operations in the Ardennes, and the landings for Operation Varsity alongside general air operations.

At some point his unit received the Meritorious Unit Commendation (the green patch with the gold laurel)

Quick edit: I suggest moving to the dedicated patches subreddit in the future. This one is for military medals, not patches.

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I do have more pictures if that would help but I wasn't sure if they were okay to post. She really likes the show Band of Brothers about the Airborne.



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**LHCThor** • 8m ago

First Sergeant Stripes. US Army Air Forces patch. The picture is the jump tower from Airborne School. The wreath patch is a meritorious unit commendation patch. I don't recognize the Allied Airborne patch.

He basically was in the Air Force and had something to do with planes. The Airborne stuff is interesting as it's not usually associated with Air Force folks. Unless he was a forward observer for bombing runs.



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The honorable discharge indicates that he was assigned the engineers. So could have been involved in construction or building stuff.



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Chevrons and rockers with diamond is the rank first sergeant.

The square patch with a wreath is the Meritorious Unit Citation patch.

The winged star is Army Air Force, and the other patch is the First Allied Airborne. I don't know if someone could be both AAF and 1AA...so one or both of them might've been patch trades or something he happened to acquire somehow.

The discharge says he was part of the 332nd Engineer General Service Regiment, which was involved in the Normandy invasion. So he was an engineer. It's possible he was attached to 1st Allied Airborne with that unit, but I'm not familiar enough with it. I don't see jump or glider wings, though.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/332nd_Engineer_General_Service_Regiment

Unfortunately, I can't say much more from this.



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