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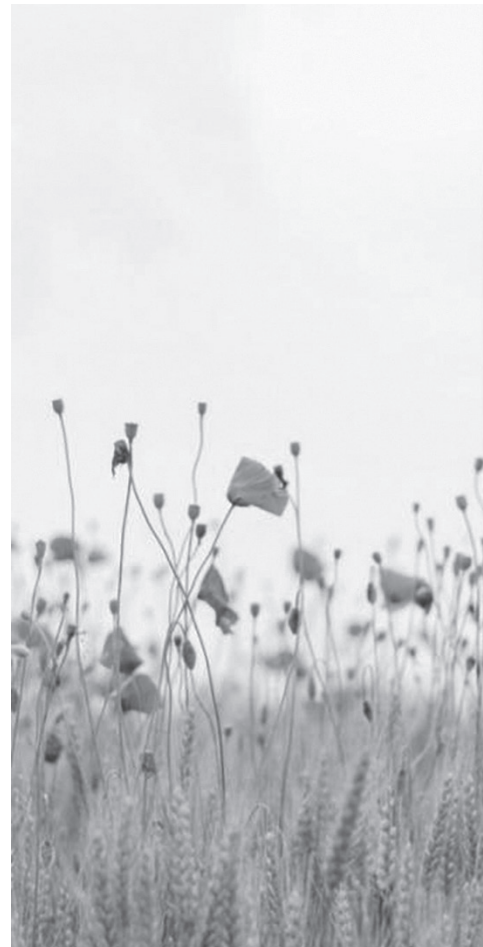
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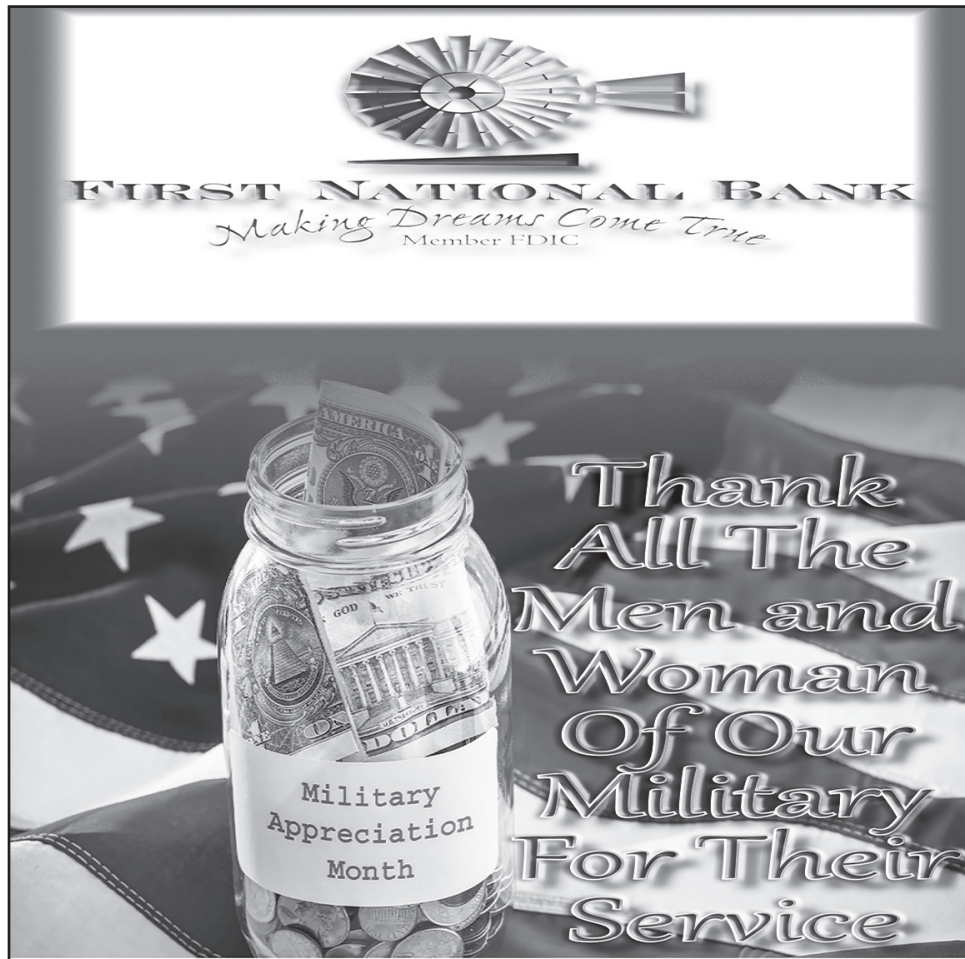


IN FLANDERS FIELDS THE POPPIES
BLOW
BETWEEN THE CROSSES, ROW ON
ROW,
THAT MARK OUR PLACE; AND IN THE
SKY
THE LARKS, STILL BRAVELY SINGING,
FLY
SCARCE HEARD AMID THE GUNS
BELOW.

WE ARE THE DEAD. SHORT DAYS AGO
WE LIVED, FELT DAWN, SAW SUNSET
GLOW,
LOVED AND WERE LOVED, AND NOW
WE LIE
IN FLANDERS FIELDS.

TAKE UP OUR QUARREL WITH THE
FOE:
TO YOU FROM FAILING HANDS WE
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The American Legion Auxiliary



After the formation of The American Legion, a number of women's organizations wanted to become the official affiliation of The American Legion. The women who had served so faithfully during the trying days of the war wanted to continue to serve.

After careful consideration, the committee agreed that a new organization should be made up of the women most closely associated with the men of the Legion, and that these women would serve with the Legion, in peace as they had in war.

The committee decided to build a new organization from the ground up, so the Auxiliary could then carry forward the phases of Legion activities more suitably performed by women.

Founded in 1919, the American Legion Auxiliary's mission is to support The American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. In less than one year, 1,342 local units

of the Women's Auxiliary to The American Legion had been organized in more than 45 states.

For God and country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor youth, and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace and security.

Dexter D. Harbour Unit 79 of the American Legion Auxiliary was organized in 1921 with 24 members as Charles B. Hart Unit 79. Lillian Miller was the president-elect. Other charter members were Lottie Adair, Agnes H. Brewer, Inez Carter, Bessie Dougan, Ava E. Hart, Mary Hart, Dorothy Hart, Kathleen Hickok, Mary Frances Hickok, Marguerite Page, Mary R. Sullivan, Leota Wilson, Cora Leierer, Birdie Bechtelheimer, Mabel Kiistner, Mary E. Hickok, Ellen O. Hickok, Agnes A. Carpenter, Reba Carpenter, Elsie N. Byers, Nellie M. Manley and Deane Miller.

The first meetings of the group were held mainly in member's homes to avoid having to heat the Legion Hall during the Depression. During the first few years, the members made poppies for memorial services. They later bought them from national headquarters.

The American Legion Auxiliary has been an active part of the community. They sponsor delegates to Sunflower Girls' State, sell concessions during Legion bingo, host bingo monthly at the care home and provide support for the programs and events of the American Legion.

The American Legion



The American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. It is the nation's largest wartime veterans service organization, committed to mentoring youth and sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion to our fellow service members and veterans.

Hundreds of local American Legion programs and activities strengthen the nation one community at a time. American Legion Baseball is one of the nation's most successful amateur athletic programs, educating young people about the importance of sportsmanship, citizenship and fitness. The Operation Comfort Warriors program supports recovering wounded warriors and their families, providing them with "comfort items" and the kind of support that makes a hospital feel a little bit more like home. The Legion also raises millions of dollars in donations at the local, state and national levels to help veterans and their families during times of need and to provide college scholarship opportunities.

The American Legion is a nonpartisan, not-for-profit organization with great political influence perpetuated by its grass-roots involvement in the legislation process from local districts to Capitol Hill. Legionnaires' sense of obligation to community, state and nation drives an honest advocacy for veterans in Washington. The Legion stands behind the issues most important to the nation's veterans community, backed by resolutions passed by volunteer leadership.

The American Legion's success depends entirely on active membership, participation and volunteerism. The organization belongs to the people it serves and the communities in which it thrives.

The Ulysses American Legion Post was organized on December 6, 1919 by a group of 16 ex-soldiers. The application for the charter named the post Charles B. Hart for the first Ulysses man killed in World War I. The post was the 79th post in the United States. It was approved by the national commander and adjutant on August 1, 1920 and issued on August 10, 1920. The first elected officers were C. W. Hickok, commander; George E. Johnson, vice commander; S. Grant Jones, adjutant; Ora O. Byers, finance officer; E. G. Zongker, historian; Leroy Manley, master at arms, and Roscoe C. Byers, chaplain. The other charter members were Earl H. Miller, Ben D. Oliver, George H. Brewer, Roy Hill, Everett Simpson, Olaf Anderson, Olie Anderson, James Pinegar, Earl Blake and James Allen Hickok.

In 2004, the post was renamed to Dexter D. Harbour Post 79 to honor Dexter Harbour who was only 19 years old when he lost his life serving his country in Vietnam. The local post has always been involved with the youth in Ulysses -- especially American Legion baseball and Boys' State. The Legion Color Guard is always ready to assist with funerals and to lead the annual fair parade and Christmas Light parade.

Other activities which are sponsored by the local American Legion are Monday night bingo, a Veteran's Day bean feed and service, Memorial Day services at the Ulysses Cemetery, and a children's movie during the holiday season. The Legion has been a generous donor to various organizations and events in the community.



VETERAN'S DAY—Members of the Legion Post 79 performed the Firing Squad Salute on Friday, November 11, 2016. Pictured (l-r) Dewey Middleton, Jerry Borthwick, Roger Flummerfelt, Dave Waldron, Dave Rodriguez, Dallas McNitt and Gene Harbour. Pictured far left: Jason King.



VETERAN'S DAY—A display dedicated to the fallen Veteran's of the community. Names included: Malcolm Taylor, Richard D. Dudley, Charles H. Helmle, John E. Scott, Carry D. Binney, Charles C. Walls, Carl L. Ghan Jr., Dean Underhill, Zeltus J. Ford, George T. Olson, Lawrence Ferrell, Ronald W. Wells, William J. Beohler, Delvin Bushnell, Lewis R. Moore, Paul D. Milburn, Mary K. Sullivan, and Cecil L. Pucket.

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Jay McGaughey rides on the Veteran's Wagon during the parade.



Ed Lewis and Archie DeBruce ride on the Veteran's Wagon during the parade.



Vic Barbo rides in the Veteran's Wagon during the Grant County Fair Parade.



HONORED GUESTS— Local World War II veterans were honored with a pin and certificate at the annual American Legion Bean Feed held November 11 at the Grant County Civic Center. Pictured (in no particular order) are the WWII vets in attendance at the dinner: Fred Borthwick, E.D. Bruntzel, John Button, Archie DeBruce, Ralph Deselms, John R. Fogleman, Richard Haeefe, Fredrick Hauser, Donald Hickok, Leonard Hill, Charles Howard, Ed Lewis, Jay McGaughey, Paul Milburn, Lawrence Miller, Lewis Moore, Virgil Prophet, David Bud Landes, S.E. Bud Walter and Madison Traster. Other local WWII veterans receiving recognition are Holly Brown, Joseph Byers, William Copeland, Jack Ford, Kellye Hart, William Hart, Richard Kreie, Neal Lahey, Richard Martin, Jack McDaniel, Tom Merritt, Jean O'Dell, Anthony Riedel, D.B. Schwartzkopf, Lewis Shore, Dean Underhill, Donald Waterman and John Yarbrough.



VETERANS DAY—All the Veteran's that attended the Ham and Bean Feed on November 11th. Pictured (L-R) Back Row: David Younger, James Randle, Michael Brewer, Clyde Lighty, Jim Walker, David Otis, Tim Barber, Gene Harbour, Dewey Middleton, Jason King, Roger Flummerfelt, Dough Bishop, Jerry Borthwick, and Francis Forbes. Pictured (L-R) Middle Row: Jereld Phelps, Ron Wheeler, Ron Smith, Perry Ruport, Ken Warner, Richard Finley, Vic Barbo, Richard Haeefe, and Dough Bishop. Pictured (L-R) Front Row: Everett Bray, Robert Thompson, Donald Lewis, Lester Smyth, David Rodriguez, and David Waldron.

Remembering Those Killed In Battle

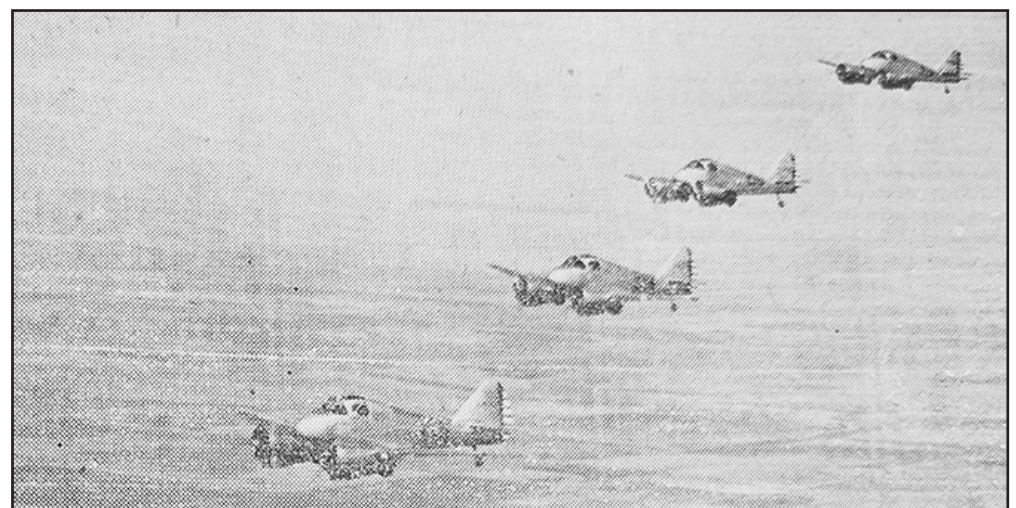
Hubert Perry Hampton

Hubert Perry Hampton was born on April 27, 1919 and was the son of Willie and Vallie (Barnard) Hampton. Hubert was the brother of J. D. Hampton who was killed on the USS Arizona at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. He moved with his family to Grant County in 1927 and went to school in Ulysses, graduating in 1937. On January 9, 1943 he married Luella Harms, also of Grant County.

Hubert attempted to enlist in the Navy in 1940 but was rejected. He was the first volunteer from Grant County under the Selective Service act, entering the Army on January 9, 1941. After Pearl Harbor, he applied for transfer to the Army Air Corps and was first stationed at Kelly Field in Texas. Hampton received his wings and the rank of Staff Sergeant in August 1942 at Lubbock.

In December of 1942, Hubert was made a Flight Officer and on May 9, 1943, he was commissioned a Lieutenant.

Lieutenant Hampton was killed on June 5, 1943 while piloting an A-20G Havoc over Idaho. He experienced a loss of control due to weather conditions. He was given a military funeral and is buried in the Ulysses Cemetery. Hubert Perry Hampton was 24 years old.



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J. D. Hampton

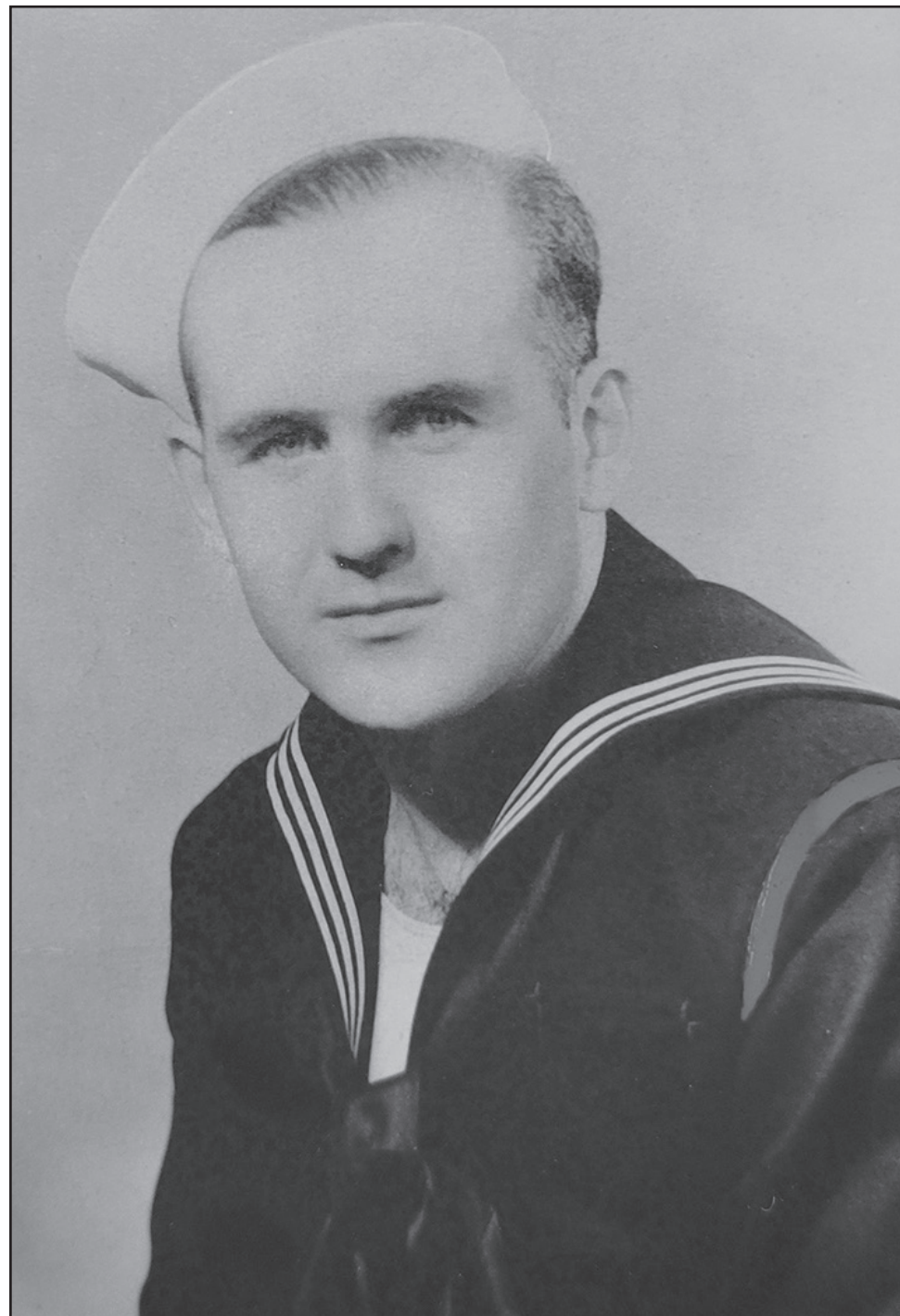
For most families in the United States in 1941, the war across the ocean was not their concern. American families were struggling to come out of the depression that had been gripping the country for over a decade.

In Grant County, Kansas, the war seemed so far away and as long as the fighting was not on United States soil, Americans were not feeling threatened. Young men were volunteering for military service but while the U. S. was not actively involved in the war, their families did not think they were in imminent danger.

Then on December 7, 1941 America's non-involvement in World War II came to an end. And in Grant County, Kansas the war became all too real. U. S. Navy Fireman First Class J. D. Hampton was aboard the USS Arizona when the ship was bombed during the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor in Hawaii.

The 24 year old Grant Countian had enlisted in the Navy on January 14, 1940 and had completed almost two years of service when the attack occurred at Pearl Harbor.

J. D. Hampton was born July 17, 1917, the son of Willie and Vallie (Barnard) Hampton who moved from Tennessee to a farm about six miles northeast of Ulysses in the spring of 1927. The Hamptons had eight children – five sons and three daughters. J. D. Hampton attended Ulysses schools and was a member of the GCRHS Class of 1937.



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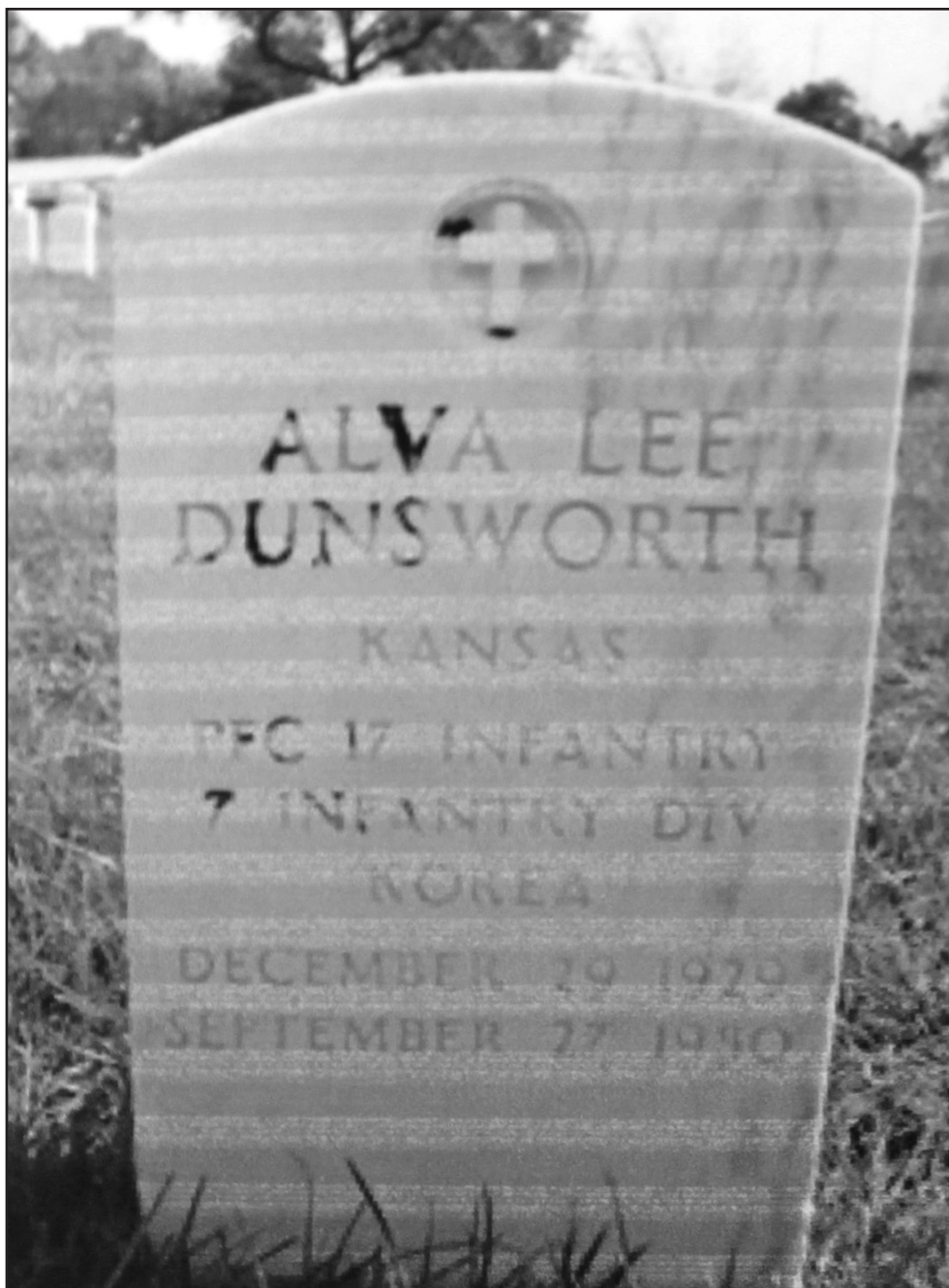
Alva L Dunsworth

On September 27th, 1950, 20 year old Alva L Dunsworth was killed in action in or around South Korea during the Korean War. According to the US Veterans Affairs Office, Alva was living in Grant County, Kansas when he enlisted in the United States Army. Dunsworth served in the 17th Infantry Regiment, 7th Infantry Division. His specialty was in Light Weapons Infantry, and he held the rank of Private First Class.

Alva L Dunsworth was born on December 29th, 1929. According to the 1930 Census, Alva had two parents, Frank and Hazel, and six siblings. His eldest brother James, sister Opal, brothers Carl, Frankie, Ewell, and a twin sister Elva.

The recorded military awards and commendations that Dunsworth either received, or was eligible to receive, are the Purple Heart, the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Korean Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Korean Presidential Unit Citation, the Republic of Korea War Service Medal, and the United Nations Service Medal.

Alva L Dunsworth is buried at the Fort Scott National Cemetery in Bourbon County, Kansas.



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