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Bob E. Gross

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John Junior Snyder

Keith W. Seler

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Ralph Edgar Goodling, Jr.

Randy A. Manbeck

Ray G. Hackett Jr.

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Richard W. Snook

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Tennis Ward

Tom Romig

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BOB E. GROSS

World War II

United States Army

1945-1946

Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal

Expert Infantry Badge

Inducted Feb. 23, 1945

Discharged Aug. 13, 1946 (Honorable)

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CARMON MONROE SNYDER,

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Korean War

United States Army

1953-1955

Army Occupation Medal – Germany

Good Conduct Medal

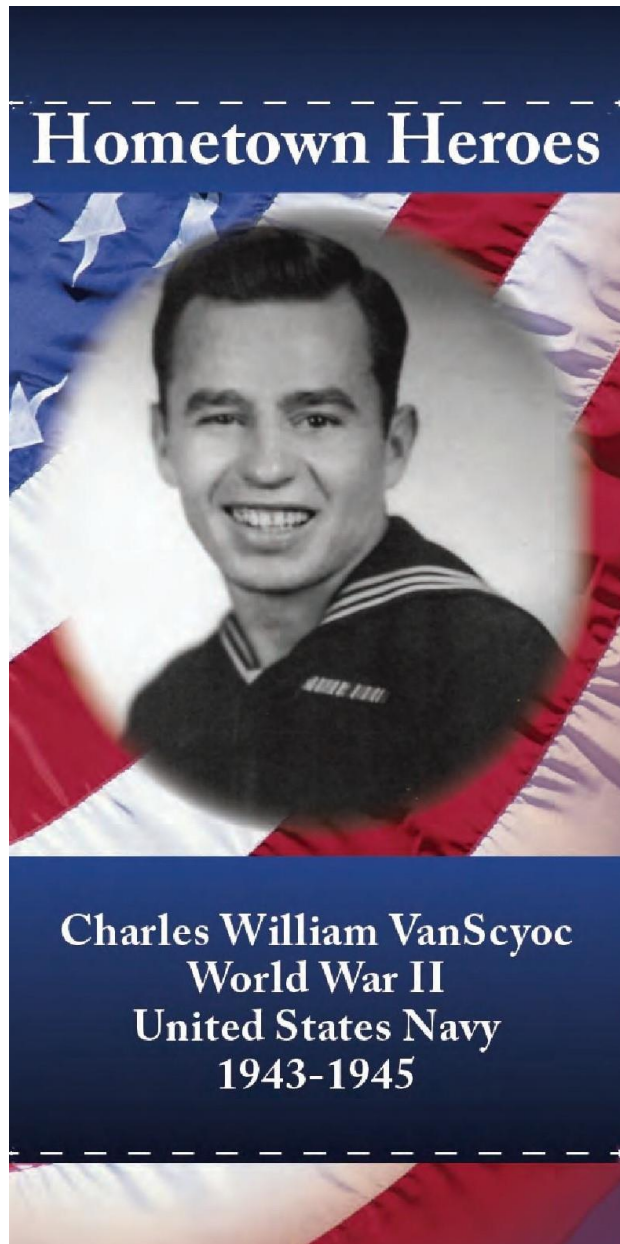
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National Defense Service Medal

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CHARLES WILLIAM VANSCYOC

World War II

United States Navy

1943-1945

Born: 01/18/1918 in Lewistown, PA

Died 09/02/1990 in McClure, PA

Wife: Anna VanScyoc

Son: James VanScyoc Daughter: Susan Ewing

Post Service Career – American Viscose (Shipping)

Service History:

USN – Armed Guard served on Merchant ships in North Atlantic and gun crews in defense of submarines, surface radars and aircraft. USS Wyoming & Atlanta

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FRED J. H. ADAMS

World War II

United States Army

1942-1946

Good Conduct Medal

Philippines Liberation Ribbon w/Bronze Star

American Campaign Medal

World War II Victory Medal

Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal w/Bronze Star

Enlisted June 29, 1942. Received training for dog training at Front Royal, VA., was one of the original members of the Army Canine Corp, was promoted to rank of Sergeant after only two months of service.

Assigned to San Antonio, Texas where he was in charge of training men to handle war dogs. Assigned to the Pacific Theater, destination Leyte, NS part of the Liberation of the Philippines. Saw combat in the Pacific Theater. Discharged January 29, 1946.

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PFC FRED E. HARTMAN

World War II

United States Army

1945-1947

World War II Victory Medal

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GARY L. ROMIG

United States Army

1959-1962

Good Conduct Medal

Joined the Army September 1959; completed basic training in Fort Jackson, SC.

Training in Aberdeen Maryland

Went to Germany from the end of 1959 to 1962 earned the rank of Staff SGT

Discharged Aug. 1962

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TEC 5 GLEN L. GOSS

World War II

United States Army

1943-1945

Good Conduct Medal

World War II Victory Medal

European African Middle Eastern Campaign w/Bronze Star

Carbine 30 Cal Marksman 43

Rifle 30 Cal Marksman

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JERRY RAGER, SR.

Vietnam War

United States Navy

1965-1969

National Defense Medal

Vietnam Service Medal

Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal

Navy Amphibious Boatswains Mate 1965 to 1969 3rd Class
Petty Officer E4

Three tours Vietnam

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SGT JOHN JACOB RITTER

World War II

United States Army

1942-1945

German Occupation Medal, Good Conduct Medal, American Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal

European African-Middle Eastern Service Medal w/4 Bronze Stars

John J. Ritter was born on June 21, 1921

John Volunteered on April 28, 1942

He was sent to England May 1944

M1 Carbine & M1 Rifle marksman – Feb. 1943

Co. 33-40 W D45 Northern France, Rhineland, Ardennes, Central Europe

Built bridges over Rhine River on in 10 days

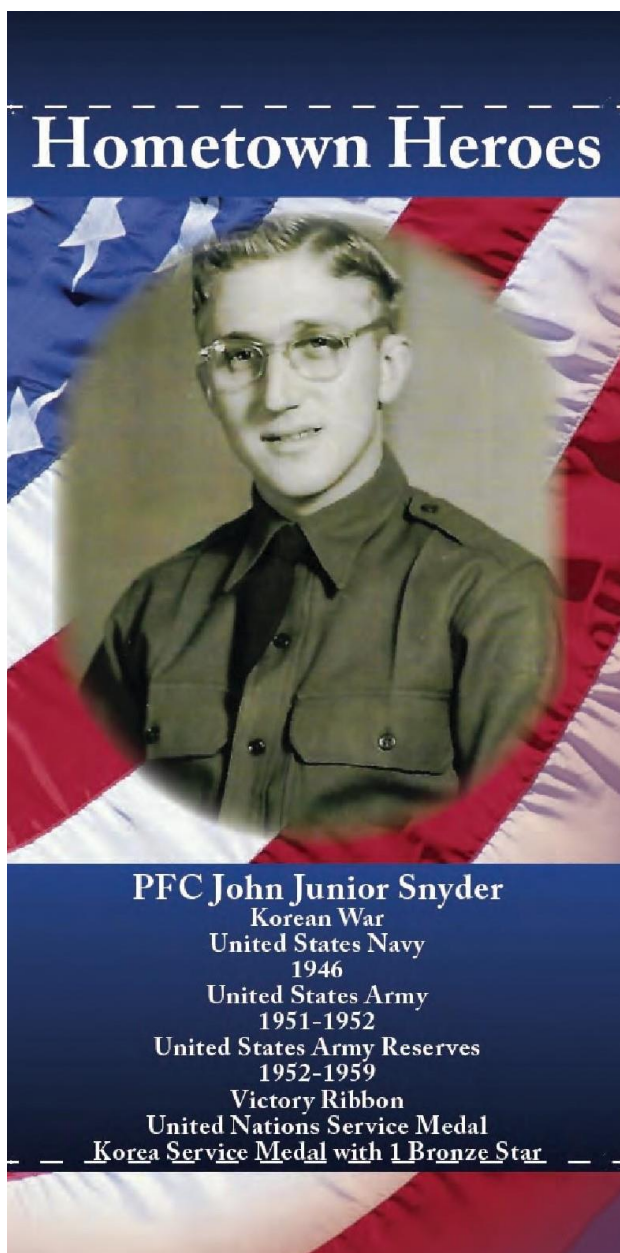
John served 3 years – 7 months – 4 days

Discharged Dec. 1, 1945

Died: Aug. 28, 2017 – 96 years old

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PFC JOHN JUNIOR SNYDER

Korean War – US Navy 1946

United States Army 1951 – 1952

US Army Reserves 1952-1959

Victory Ribbon, United Nations Service Medal, Korea Service Medal w/1 Bronze Star

On March 14, 1946, seventeen-year-old John Junior Snyder enlisted in the US Navy. He was honorably discharged on May 4, 1946 due to a hearing impairment. Five years later, Junior was inducted into the US Army and was stationed in Korea. He served in active duty until September 11, 1952. Due to a family hardship; the deaths of both parents he was transferred to the US Army Reserve and was honorably discharge on August 12, 1959.

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SMSGT KEITH W. SELER F/SGT RET.

Vietnam War

United States Air Force

1967-1990

Meritorious Service Medal w/ 3 Oak Leaf Clusters

Commendation Medal w/ 3 Oak Leaf Clusters

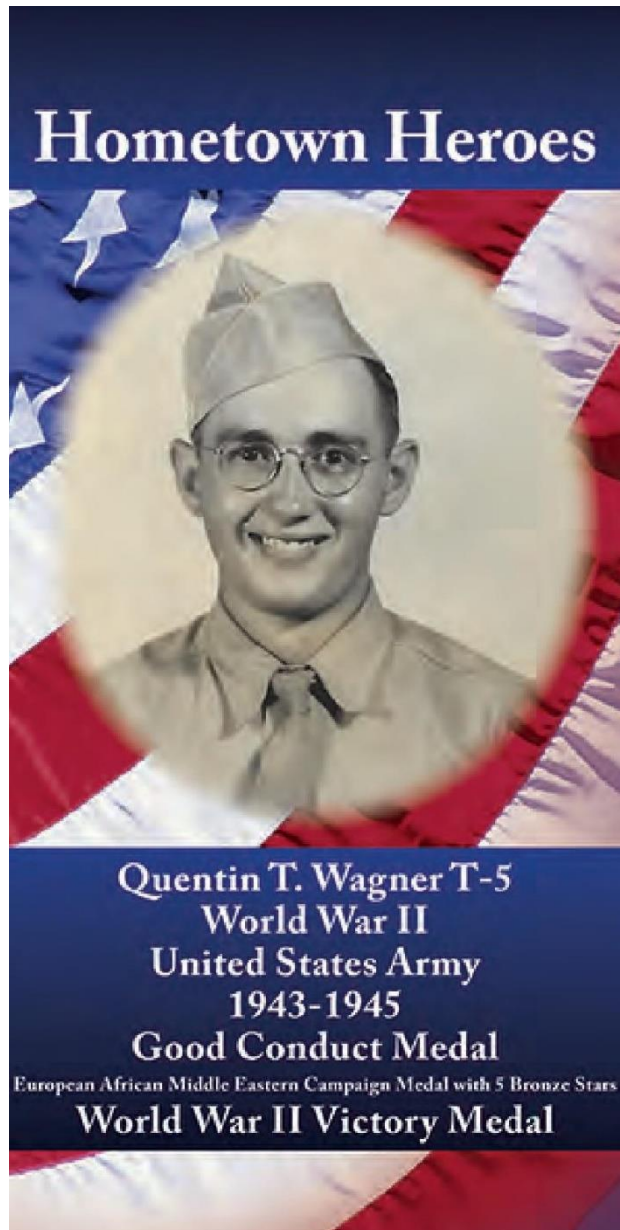
AF Medic 1967 – 1976

AF Research 1976 – 1981

AF First Sergeant 1981 – 1990 (Position, not Rank)

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QUENTIN T. WAGNER T-5

World War II

United States Army

1943-1945

Good Conduct Medal; European African-Middle Eastern
Campaign Medal w/ 5 Bronze Stars

World War II Victory Medal

D-Day

Battle of the Bolge

Dachau Concentration Camp

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RALPH EDGAR GOODLING, JR.

Vietnam War

United States Army

1959-1965

Good Conduct Medal and Marksman

Ralph Goodling Jr was raised in McClure, PA. Went to the Army in 1959 to return to McClure and purchased a home where he resides today.

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SRA RANDY A. MANBECK

United States Air Force

2016 – 2020

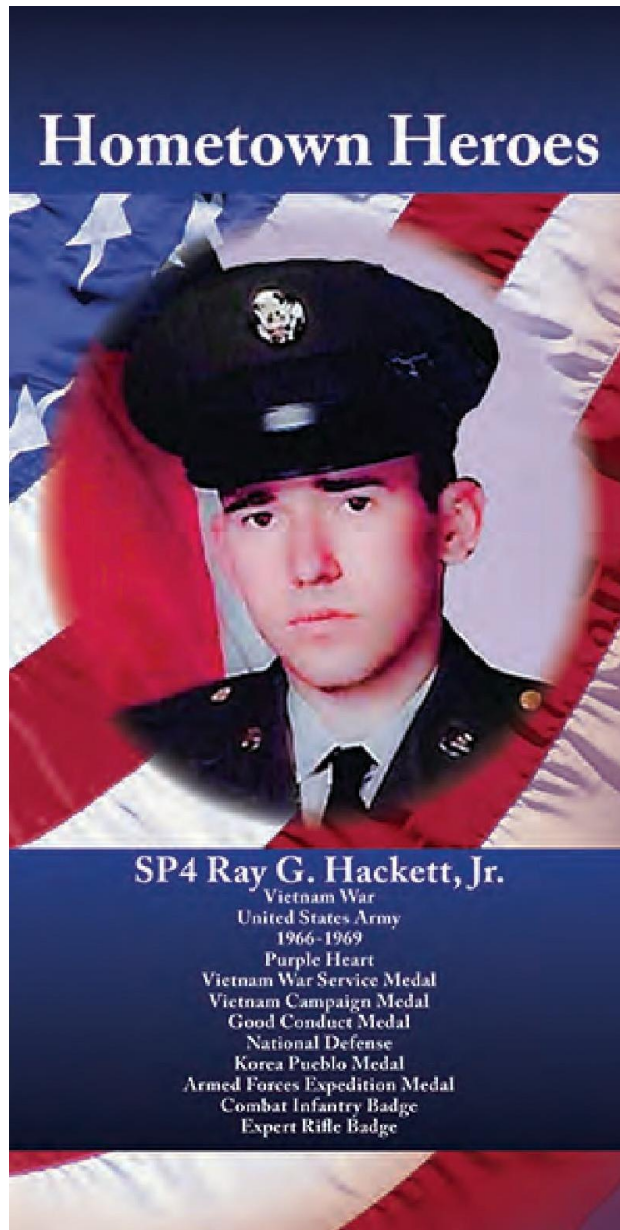
AF Good Conduct Medal; National Defense Service Medal;
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; AF Longevity
Service; AF Training Ribbon

On February 2, 2016 was the day Randy left for Lackland Air Force base for basic training. After Randy completed basic training at the Lackland Air Force Base in Texas, he then went to Tech School at another base in Texas and completed. He was deployed from McGuire Air Force Base in New Jersey in 2019. He retired from the Air Force in July 2020.

Randy worked as Aircraft fuel systems Journeyman and obtained a few medals.

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SP4 RAY G. HACKETT, JR.

Vietnam War

United States Army

1966-1969

Purple Heart

Vietnam War Service Medal; Vietnam Campaign Medal; Good Conduct Medal; National Defense; Korea Pueblo Medal; Armed Forces Expedition Medal; Combat Infantry Badge; Expert Rifle Badge

Born in Lewistown, PA 06-24-1948; Graduated June 1966 from West Snyder High School; Army Dec. 1966-1969; Christian Minister 1984 to Present

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PFC RICHARD D. LEPLEY

World War II

United States Army

1942-1946

Good Conduct Medal; American Campaign Medal; European
African- Middle Eastern Campaign Medal w/ 1 Bronze Star;
World War II Victory Medal

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RICHARD W. SNOOK

Korean War

United States Army

1951-1953

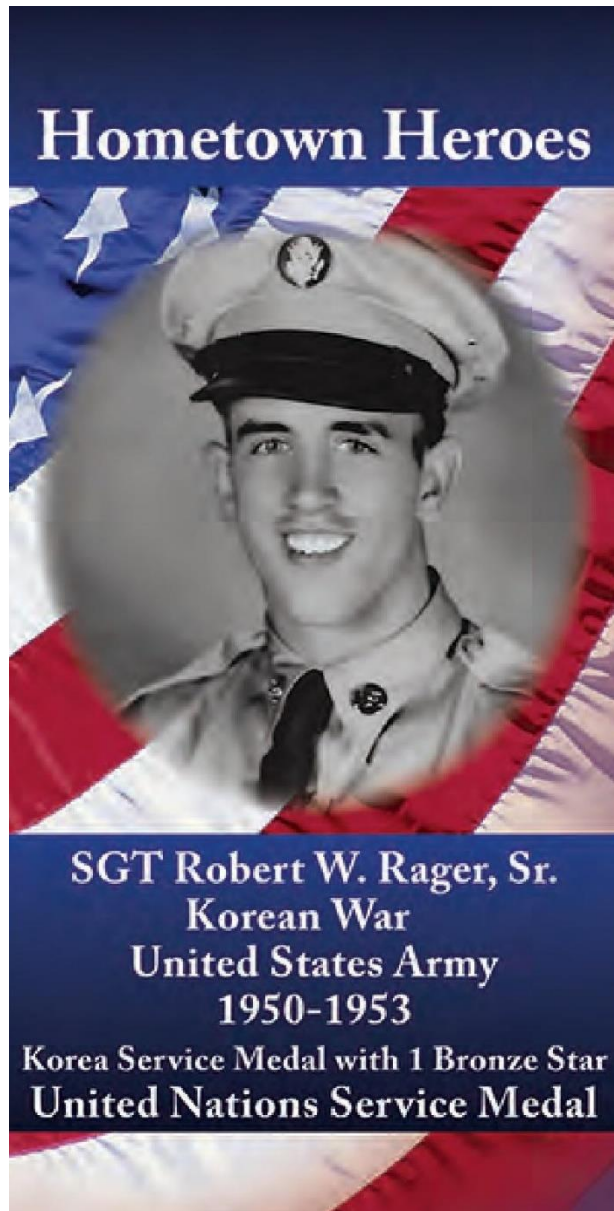
Richard W. Snook (B: 06-21-1929 D: 12-27-2019)

Richard was a son of Charles E. and Esther (Kuhns) Snook. He attended local schools and was married to Pearle (Kline) Snook for 68 years at the time of his death. He entered the Army, trained in Virginia and California and was sent to Germany with Tank Company 169th Infantry Regiment, 43rd division. While serving he attained the rank of Sergeant and received an Army of Occupation medal.

After separating from the Army, Richard lived with his wife and raised a family in McClure. He was able to use the GI to become trained in general contracting and later began a business, with a partner, Ritter and Snook Builders. He was a contractor and carpenter all his life and became a rural mail carrier. Richard was a lifelong member of St. Peters UM Church, 66 year member of American Legion Post 942, McClure and a lifetime member of the Snyder County Historical Society.

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SGT ROBERT W. RAGER, SR.

Korean War

United States Army

1950-1953

Korea Service Medal w/ 1 Bronze Star and United Nations Service Medal

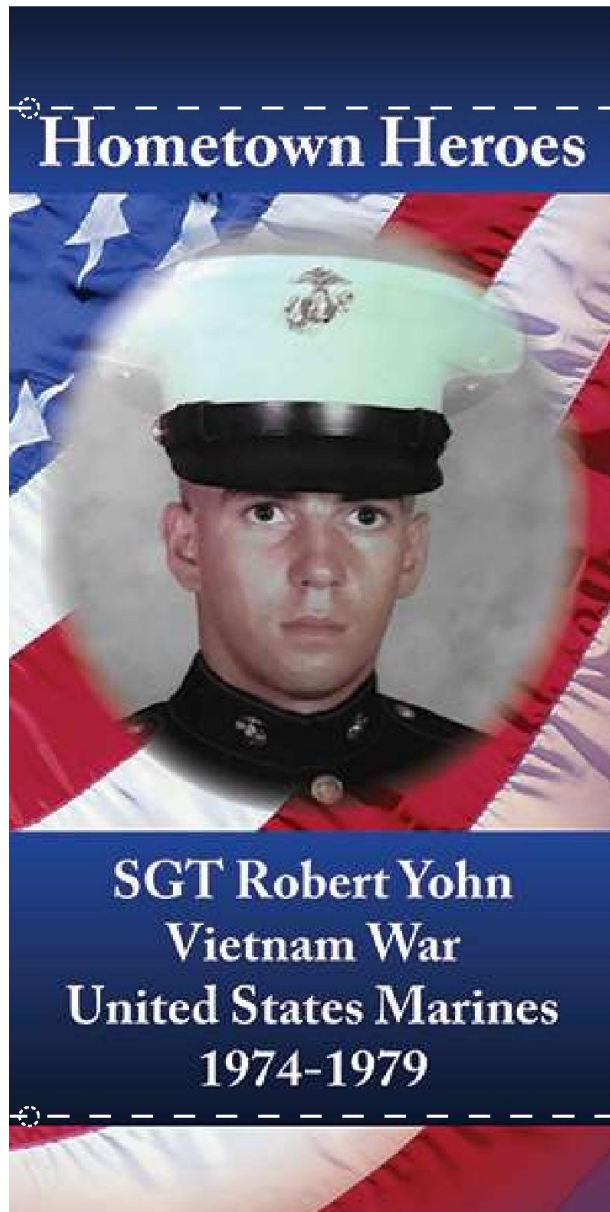
Robert was born and raised in McClure and was the son of Lester and Cora Rager. Robert went into the United States Army July 15, 1950. He served in the Korean War as a Sergeant. While in Korea, one day after supper, Robert heard some one yelling, "Hey, Butch!" Which is what his family called him, he looked and saw his brother Sonny, who was serving in the National Guards and also stationed in Korea, coming down the hill. The brothers had their photo taken to send to family back home.

On July 25, 1953, he married Emily O'Donnell and they were married almost 59 years.

Robert worked at Lozier Corporation until his retirement.

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SGT ROBERT YOHN

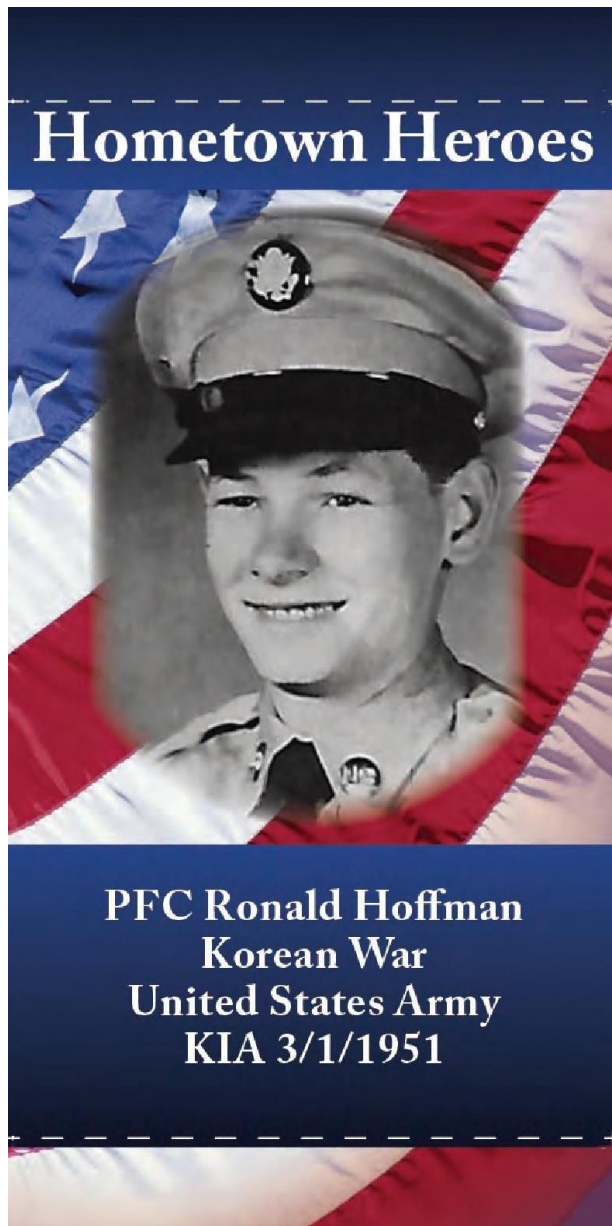
Vietnam War

United States Marines

1974-1979

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PFC RONALD HOFFMAN

Korean War

United States Army

KIA 03-01-1951

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SAMUEL J. HALL

Airman 2nd Class

United States Air Force

1956-1962

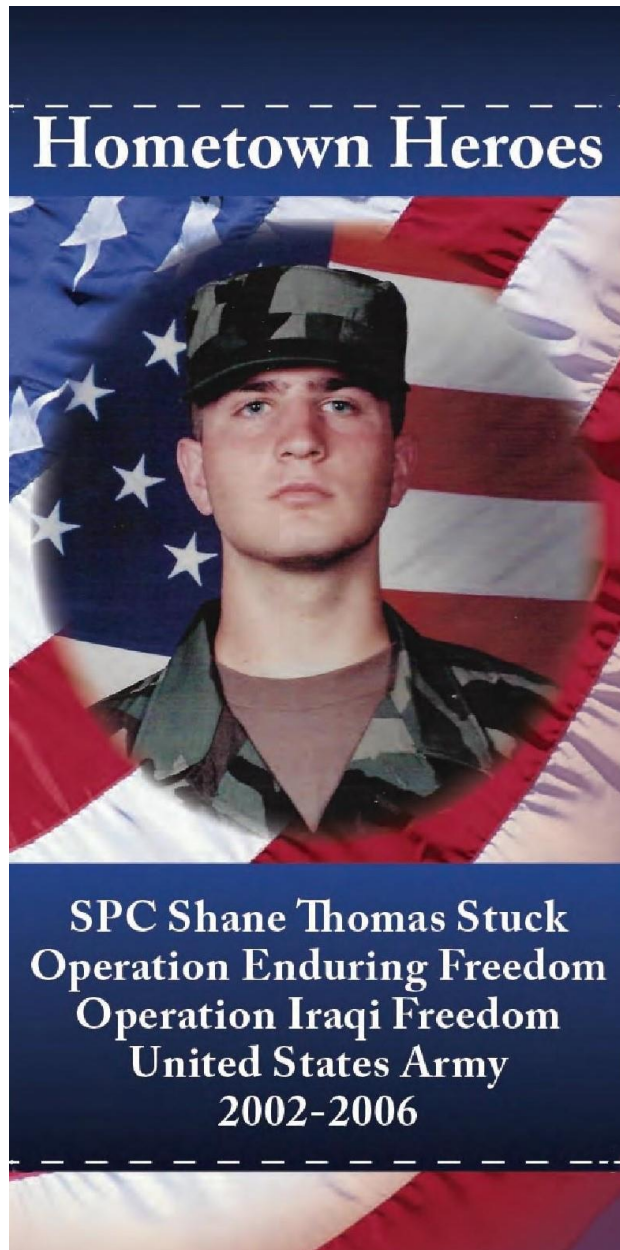
Samuel J. Hall was born 9/7/1937 in Lewistown. He spent his childhood and teenage years living in Beaver Springs before enlisting in the Air Force and then marrying the love of his life, Joanne. During his time in the Air Force, Sam was recognized for his ability to learn about complicated topics and then applying them practically. This led to a special assignment working on programs that would eventually become part of NASA. Sam spent 6 years in the Air Force, with his last post being Olmstead Air Force Base in Middletown, PA.

Upon leaving the service, Sam and Joanne built a new life in McClure, having three children – Steve, Cathy, and Shelly and many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Sam was very active in church, community, and boy scouts. Over the years, he served on borough council, Trinity Lutheran Church council, as a BSA Scout Leader, and as a key player in the conception and construction of Station Park playground and pavilion. Sam was a true hometown hero, giving his time, efforts, and love selflessly to both country and community.

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SPC SHANE THOMAS STUCK

Operation Enduring Freedom

Operation Iraqi Freedom

United States Army

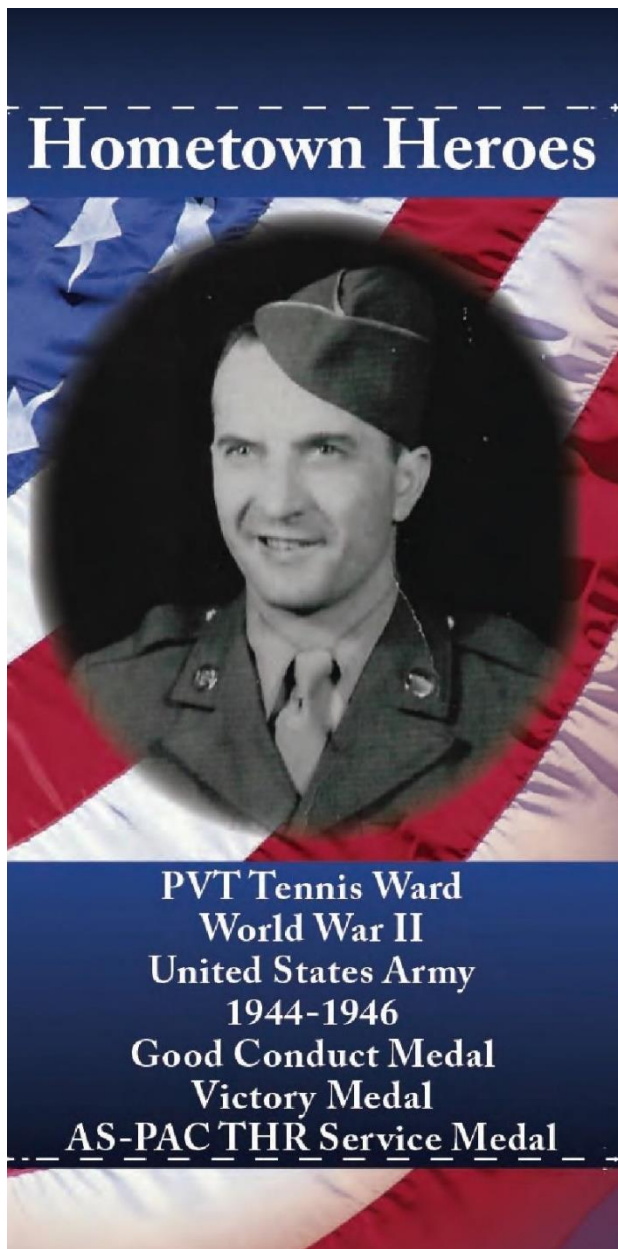
2002 – 2006

Shane served with the 10th Mountain Division 2-22 for four years. They deployed to Afghanistan from 2003 – 2004. Shane served as an Infantryman for HHC company 2-22 in the support platoon as a Driver/Gunner.

They were deployed again to Iraqi from 2005 – 2006. He served as an Infantryman in Delta company 2-22. They were designed to be a heavy weapons company to support the light infantry. He was a 50 cal gunner as well as a rifleman on patrol.

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PVT TENNIS WARD

World War II

United States Army

1944-1946

Good Conduct Medal

Victory Medal

AS-PAC THR Service Medal

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ISG THOMAS R. ROMIG

Operation Iraqi Freedom

United States Army

1989 - 2019

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