



Mr. Fred A. Oberheide

May 22, 1926 - April 26, 2017

Oberheide, Fred A.

Departed this life April 26, 2017 at age 90.

Fred was the beloved father of Lori and Brett, dear grandfather to Lindsay and Ryan, and father-in-law to Douglas.

A World War II Veteran, Fred entered military service at the age of 18, and served as a front line infantry machine gunner with the Ninth Infantry Division in Germany. Included among his awards for meritorious service to his Country was the-Combat Infantry Badge, the Ninth Infantry Division Unit Citation with Oak Leaf Cluster, and the European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre Ribbon with 2 Bronze Battle Stars.

Also a professional magician, having been elected as a member of the St Louis Ring No.1, International Brotherhood of Magicians at age 16, Fred performed magic shows for the troops in WWII , and in post-war France.

Fred was devoted to the happiness and well being of his Children and Grandchildren throughout his entire successful business career in sales, advertising, and financial planning, as well as during his retirement years.

His creative wit, warm smile, and sparkling personality will be missed by all •

Private graveside services at Bellerive Garden's Cemetery will be limited to family

members only. Because of Fred's strong support of a child's education, memorial contributions in his memory to any worthwhile learning center for children would be greatly appreciated.

Tribute Wall

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“ *My deepest sympathy to the family for your loss. May the promises found in the scriptures and God's love calm your hearts at this time of sadness. Please remember 'love' is stronger than 'death'.* ”

Anne Hill - May 01, 2017 at 11:36 AM


Lindsay
Allee

“ *Grandpa with my Momma and Uncle!* ”



Lindsay Allee - April 29, 2017 at 09:53 PM



“ *My Grandpa loved baseball. He shared stories of games and historic players he saw and passed those memories on to me through baseball cards. More than anything he enjoyed seeing me smile and he would do whatever it took to make that happen. I'll miss my Grandpa and always remember his stories, his humor, and his one of a kind laugh and smile.* ”



Ryan Allee - April 29, 2017 at 09:40 PM


Lindsay
Allee

“ Grandpa loved to *"sing and dance in the rain"* with his little ballerina.



Lindsay Allee - April 29, 2017 at 08:33 PM


Lindsay
Allee

“ Every moment with Grandpa was an adventure always filled with love and lots laughter.

"Is a zebra a black horse with white stripes or a white horse with black stripes? Those are some crazy pajamas!"



Lindsay Allee - April 29, 2017 at 08:31 PM


Lindsay
Allee

“ There is nothing in this world my Grandpa cherished more than his family.



Lindsay Allee - April 29, 2017 at 08:27 PM



Lindsay
Allee

“ *Freddy sure enjoyed the 40's!*



Lindsay Allee - April 29, 2017 at 05:51 PM



Lindsay
Allee

“ Awards for service with the army:

A. Combat Infantryman Badge - awarded to infantrymen and Special Forces soldiers in the rank of colonel and below, who personally fought in active ground combat while assigned as members of either an infantry, ranger or Special Forces unit. Grandpa was ranked as an expert with a M1 Rifle.

B. America Theater Ribbon - Issued to those who served in the American Theater of Operations during World War II

C. Presidential Unit Citation - awarded to units of the Armed Forces of the United States and nations for extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. Additional awards are donated by oak leaf clusters

D. Army of Occupation Medal-Germany - awarded for military service of thirty or more consecutive days of duty in one of the occupied territories after World War II.

E. Good Conduct Medal - awarded for exemplary behavior, efficiency, and fidelity in active Federal Military service.

F. European African Middle Eastern Campaign Ribbon with 2 Bronze Battle Stars - This medal was intended to recognize those military service members who had performed military duty in the European Theater during the years of the Second World War. A bronze star is worn on the ribbon to indicate participation in designated campaigns.

G. World War II Victory Medal - Awarded to any member of the United States military who served on active duty, or as a reservist, between December 7, 1941 and December 31, 1946.

H. Dog Tag

I. 9th Division Infantry Division emblem - emblems worn on the shoulders of US Army uniforms to identify the primary headquarters to which a soldier is assigned.

The 9th Division was among first U.S. combat units to engage in offensive ground operations in the ETO (European Theater of Operations) during World War II. They were also known as "The Old Reliables" or "Notorious Ninth"

J. Staff Sergeant (SSG) is E-6 rank in the U.S. Army. Grandpa was placed in charge of the machine gun squad.

Photo 2 shows the Overseas Service Bars, which are displayed as an embroidered gold bar worn horizontally on the right sleeve of the Class A uniform and the Army Service Uniform. Overseas Service Bars are cumulative, in that each bar worn indicates another six-month period.



Lindsay Allee - April 29, 2017 at 03:24 PM

Lindsay Allee

“ Ninth Infantry Division: Machine gun squad in Germany between 1944-1945.



Lindsay Allee - April 29, 2017 at 09:02 AM


Lindsay
Allee

“ *Abracadabra!*



Lindsay Allee - April 28, 2017 at 10:39 PM


Lindsay
Allee

“ *Everybody loved Freddy*




Lindsay Allee - April 28, 2017 at 09:56 PM


Lindsay
Allee

“ *Serving his country with his army buddies.*



Lindsay Allee - April 28, 2017 at 09:32 PM


Lindsay
Allee

“ *Grandpa was a hero.*



Lindsay Allee - April 28, 2017 at 08:54 PM


Lindsay
Allee

“ *Grandpa was our # 1 fan, going to every sporting event or dance recital we had. He was so proud of his children and grandchildren.*



Lindsay Allee - April 28, 2017 at 08:15 AM


Lindsay
Allee

“ *Every time Grandpa greeted me at the front door, before one of our big adventures, we would sing "Grandpa/Lindsay is a friend of mine; who will kiss me anytime; for a nickle or a dime; fifty cents for overtime."*



Lindsay Allee - April 27, 2017 at 06:02 PM

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Precious!

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