



39TH BOMB GROUP ASSOCIATION
814 Charles Court
Oregon, WI. 53575

Thank you visiting the 39th Bomb Group (VH) Web Site. If you served with the 39th Bomb Group (VH) or if you are a descendant of a veteran of the Group, then you are invited to join the Association.

"It's easy to say, "Why don't we all meet" but it's another thing to put it all together. Thanks to the efforts of James W. Wyckoff and his wife Betty, who were confronted with locating veterans of the 39th Bomb Group as well as preparation, Forty-Four years after WWII, the 39th Bomb Group held its first reunion in Bellevue, NE in 1990.

Now a decade plus years have passed since the first reunion, the men who remain, gather each year to enjoy each other's company, talk about the days of the service and their missions and remember with honor those friends and comrades who were lost during the missions and gave their lives in honor of their country as well as those who have taken their final flight since WWII and lost the battle of time". - Dave Smith, TG, Crew 31

The following pages contain a membership application and a questionnaire so that we can include your accounts of what you remember about your missions and the crews of the 39th Bomb Group (VH), on the web site.

Pete Weiler
Webmaster@39th.org
39th Bomb Group (VH) Web Site

The Information We Collect

Membership Application:

The purpose of this form is so that we have a record of your desire to join the Association and so we can add you to our records for inclusion in our Association. This sheet is sent to the Association President who handles the registration of new members and renewal of current memberships.

Web Site Information Sheets:

The 39th Bomb Group Association has a web site at the following address:
<http://39th.org> and <http://39thbombgroup.org> that was established on July 25, 2000.

With amount of people that have personal computers and are connected to the Internet this is a format in which you, as an individual member of the 39th BG (and as a Group) are able to share the stories of accomplishments of our missions and the heartache and tears of losing our friends and comrades who gave the supreme sacrifice of their lives. Only in our stories are they able to be honored and remembered.

The foundation of the web site information comes from "History of the 39th Bomb Group" by Robert Laird (of Crew 5) and David C. Smith (Crew 31) that was published in 1996, which is comprised of personal accounts submitted by Our Veterans as well as information contained in documents obtained from the National Archives and various other sources. The web site not only has the original information from "History of the 39th BG" but also has new information as result of new contacts with veterans of the group and/or their family members and updated information since the time "History of the 39th Bomb Group" was published.

About Your Service & Mission Information Pages

If you were on a B-29 crew:

Information you provide regarding you, your combat crew or any of the ground crew who serviced your aircraft or worked in any other areas of support whom you may recall is valuable in keeping our Group's history alive via our web site. If local communities have honored you or your crew, please let us know the details so we can add the details of this honor to our web site.

If you were part of the ground crew:

While there is information on the web site about the ground echelon it is limited when compared to the B-29 Crews. Information regarding your fellow ground crew, what aircraft(s) did you help maintained (if you were a mechanic or working in one of the shops) or if you worked in any other section, your accounts as to personnel, job duties etc is a valuable part of the Group's history. If your local community has honored you as a Veteran, please let us know so we can add the details of this honor to our web site.

Other Pieces of Information:

Lists of missions you and/or your crew participated in, accounts of these missions, mission diaries are all items of interest because they help tell what missions you and your crew participated in and what the missions were like soon after they were completed, so these are your thoughts from 1945. Images of decorations and citations earned by crews and individual are added to respective sections, so when possible please list any decorations and citations that were awarded to you and members of your crew – individual or as crew.

Photos, in addition to your accounts, help show who made up the crews were by matching the names to the faces – then and if possible a more recent. If you have post war photos of your crew from a Crew Reunion you may have had this is great because it shows there has been a bond that has lasted through time. Damage or mission photos are also great because they show the results of the crew and the Group's efforts and help tell the story. Photos of your family can also be added to your profile page if you desire.

Military Orders:

Military orders are a great record of who was part of the 39th BG. Since the start of the web site by using movement and orders covering award of decorations some of the names that did not appear in "History of the 39th Bomb Group" were found enabling these men to be honored with their fellow comrades on our web site. Please contact our webmaster at the address listed below for a list of orders that he already has.

If you have any of these items that you are willing to share, our webmaster can scan your pictures and return the originals to you or if you have access to scanning equipment and a personal computer connected to the internet then you are invited to send photos for use on our web site.

***Your Privacy with respect to the web site:**

It is the practice of the webmaster to respect your privacy.

- No information with regard to your Army Serial Number, street address, telephone number or email address is displayed on the web site without your permission. Army Serial Number is only used to tracking our database.
- Only the Army Serial Numbers of the members of the 39th Bomb Group who are listed on the Casualty List from 1945 are displayed on the web site.

Note: There are times where contacts are made via the web site from 39th BG veterans who may have known you have lost touch with over the years and are wishing to renew contact with you, or perhaps a the family member of fellow veteran of group hoping you can tell you more about their loved ones time with the Group. Please indicate in the boxes provided on the forms if the webmaster has your permission to release your postal and/or email address to a fellow 39th BG veteran so they may contact you. Otherwise only your email address will be used by the webmaster for the purposes of notifying you about updates to the web site.

Returning the Forms:

Please send the Application and Veteran's Information & Web Site Information Forms ("About Your Service" and "Mission Information") to:

Liz Van Kampen, Treasurer
39th Bomb Group Association
814 Charles Court
Oregon, WI. 53575

We ask that you include a wartime photo of yourself and your spouse (or your family's veteran if you are a relative) for the 39th BG scrapbook.

If you have any copies of military orders we are interested in those they can be sent directly to:

Pete Weiler
3728 Aloha Drive
Sarasota, Florida 34232-5504
webmaster@39th.org
historian@39th.org

Or if you prefer you can send **ALL** the forms to the webmaster and the membership application will be forwarded.

Note: All photos for the web site are considered a loan and will be returned unless otherwise noted.



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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

Veterans of the 39th Bomb Group, their descendants or those interested in the history of the 39th Bomb Group are welcomed into membership.

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: _____

Spouse Name: _____

Address: _____ Apt: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip & Plus 4: _____

Area Code: (_____) Telephone: _____

E-Mail address: _____

Included is a war time and present day of me (and my spouse) or my family's veteran for the 39th Bomb Group's scrapbook.

If a widow or relative of a deceased veteran completes form, date of decease:

Name of widow or relative completing this form: _____

Relationship: _____ of (veteran's name): _____

Your or your family veteran's:

Crew No.: _____ Position: _____ # of Missions Flown: _____

Dates on Guam: _____

If not a former 39th BG member or relative, please give information about previous service or interest in the 39th BG. (check box and use back)

Annual dues are for \$25.00 per year

Make checks payable to: **39TH BOMB GROUP ASSOCIATION** and mail to:
Liz Van Kampen, Treasurer, 814 Charles Court, Oregon, WI. 53575



39th Bomb Group (VH) Association Web Site Project

Web Site Address: <http://39th.org>
email: the39thbga@39th.org

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VETERAN INFORMATION PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

As Veterans of the 39th Bomb Group, or family member of Veteran of the Group we want to include you (or your family's veteran) in our web site. Please take a few minutes to complete the following forms so that we may include your valuable knowledge from your service with the Group. Note: Street address and Army Serial **WILL NOT** be displayed on the web site.

About You:

Veteran:

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: _____

Spouse Name: _____

Address: _____ Apt: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip & Plus 4: _____

Area Code: (_____) Telephone: _____

!! Do not distribute address or phone number - See web site privacy policy*

*Army Serial Number: _____

(optional will not appear on web site it is used to track your name in our database - see Web Site Privacy Policy*)

Highest Rank: Wartime: _____

Military Retiree: _____

Date Entered into Service: _____

Place of Entry: _____

Date of Separation: _____

Place of Separation: _____

Decorations and Citations: _____

If a widow or relative of a deceased veteran completes form, date of decease: _____

Name of widow or relative completing this form: _____

Relationship: _____ E-Mail address: _____

!! Do not display email address on web site - See web privacy policy *

Return this form to: Pete Weiler • 3728 Aloha Drive • Sarasota, Florida 34232 • (941) 321-7602

About Your B-29 Crew: (If you were a member of a B-29 combat crew complete this page)

Your Name: _____ MOS: _____

Dates on Guam: _____ Squadron: HQ | 60th | 61st | 62nd

P- _____ B-29 Serial Number: (xx-xxxxx): _____

Aircraft Official Name: "City of _____ " Aircraft Nickname: _____

Where was your crew formed? _____

AC: _____ Radio: _____

Pilot: _____ CFC: _____

Nav: _____ RG: _____

Bomb: _____ LG: _____

Radar: _____ TG: _____

FE: _____

Did your crew have any permanent replacement crewmembers? Circle: No Yes

If Yes please indicate who, what position they held. If temporary replacements then add what crew they were from:

About Your Ground Crew: (If you were a member of the ground crew complete this page. If you were a B-29 Crew Member and you have knowledge of the Ground Crew that serviced your crew's B-29 or **were part of the Ground Crew**, please complete the sections that apply.)

Your Name: _____ MOS: _____

Dates on Guam: _____

P- _____ or Section or Shop: _____ Squadron: HQ | 60th | 61st | 62nd

B-29 Serial Number: (xx-xxxxx): _____ (if you serviced B-29s)

Aircraft Official Name: "City of _____ " Aircraft Nickname: _____

What was your primary duty: _____

Who did you serve with in your section or crew (if possible list rank with first & last name and position they held):

