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Congressman Howard P. (Buck) McKeon
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Dear Congressman McKeon:

My name is Timothy Moore and I am urgently requesting your assistant in helping a WWII Veteran from Barstow, CA. His name is Robert Nobuo Izumi and for several years he has tried unsuccessfully to obtain his Combat Infantryman Badge (CIB), which he earned in WWII while serving in Company G, 506th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 101st Airborne Division. My grandfather also served in this unit, which is how I came to know Robert.

Robert Izumi served in G Company from December 1944 until after the war ended in May 1945 as a front line combat infantryman, which more than qualifies him for the CIB. One thing that has complicated matters is that his WWII records were destroyed in a fire at the National Personnel Records Center in St. Louis in 1973. Thousands of records were lost in this fire, including Mr. Izumi's. This has made it difficult to verify Robert's front line service. We have both contacted and written the NARA and also the US Army Human Resources Command, but to no avail.

Mr. Izumi is a truly great American and very humble. He went from being placed in an internment camp in Manzanar, CA, to volunteering for the Army and serving with the famed all Japanese 442nd Regimental Combat Team. He then volunteered to become a paratrooper and became a member of G Co. 506. After WWII, he re-enlisted in the Air Force and served in both Korea and Vietnam where he earned the Bronze Star and Vietnamese Medal of Honor. He retired as a Chief Master Sergeant, then went on to serve another 20 years as a civil servant. He does not want any special recognition or treatment, just the simple verification of an award he justly earned. Most combat veterans hold the CIB as the highest honor they can earn.

Mr. Izumi has finally given up on trying to receive his CIB, which is the only time I've ever seen him despondent or down about anything. I can't find it in my heart to quit until I've exhausted all resources. I'm including several documents, photos and letters to show you the kind of man Robert Nobuo Izumi was, and still is. Two of these letters are signed statements from the Company Commander of G/506 and surviving veterans verifying Mr. Izumi's service with G Company. Please let me know if you are able to help. My contact information is below and I can provide any additional information if needed. I thank you in advance.

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Sincerely,

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We, the members of Company G, 506th Parachute Infantry, 101st Airborne Division, testify that Nobuo 'Bob' Izumi served with our unit from December 1944 until the end of hostilities in World War Two. His service and time with G Company more than qualifies him to receive the Combat Infantry Badge, which he failed to receive upon his Honorable Discharge.

Ira Morehart

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Robert Parks

Robert Parks

Stan Clever

Stan Clever

Raymond A. Skully

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On 2019-01-22 11:25, tmoore6@woh.rr.com wrote:

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