

# Records for Individual Soldiers In Normandy

**ASN** 16087294

**Name** Willis, Norman C.

**Neptune Rank** Private First Class

**Division** 82nd Abn Div

**Regiment** 508th Prcht Inf

**Battalion**

**Neptune Company** Co E

**Company Attached**

**Company Attached**

**Neptune Platoon** 1st Plat

**Neptune Squad**

**Neptune MOS** Pathfinder

**Combat Infantry Badge**

**Combat Medical Badge**

**Neptune Tail #** 42-93096

**Neptune After Action Status** MIA

**Neptune After Action Date** 7/3/1944

**Age** 24

**Month of Admission** July

**Type of Case** Casualty, battle

**1st Diagnosis** Wound(s), Penetrating

**1st Anatomical Location** Buttock and hip

**1st Operation** -

**2nd Diagnosis** -

**2nd Anatomical Location** -

**2nd Operation** 000

**Causative Agent** Artillery Shell, Fragments, Afoot or unspecified

**Final Result** 25th Gen Hospital or 48th General Hospital

**Disposition** Duty

**Month of Disposition** July

**Current Days /Gen Hosp Overseas Days** 022

**Place of Final Cure** 25th Gen Hosp or 48th Gen Hosp

# COMPANY MORNING REPORT

ENDING 2400 11 July 1944  
(DATE) (MONTH) (YEAR)

STATION Wollaton, VK 9959, England  
 ORGANIZATION Company "E" 508th Proct Inf Inf  
(CO, BTRY, ETC.) (PARENT B. NO.) (ARM OR SERVICE)

SERIAL NUMBER	NAME	GRADE	CODE
<u>16087294</u>	<u>Willis, Norman C.</u>	<u>Pfc</u>	<u>H1A?</u>
<u>Ex dy to Missing in Action as of 3 July 44.</u>			

## STATION AND RECORD OF EVENTS

5 July 44 Remained in Defensive Position.

6 July 44 Dawn found the Company trying to withdraw from Hill 95. We were pinned down by Enemy Fire as we dug in a hedge row. Two LMG's came forward, as they opened fire the men withdrew at 0730 hr. 1 TD came forward and the Company went to the top and moved under TD fire. The men fought until out of Ammo and grenades, they then withdrew at 0945 hr. 3 TD's came forward and blasted the dugout, killing the occupants and cleared out the

OFFICER STRENGTH	FLD O & CAPT		1ST LT		2D LT		WO		FLT O	
	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST
ADD										
ATCHD ORGNS										
ATCHD PB OTHER ORGN										
TOTAL										

AVD CADET & ENL STRENGTH	AVIATION CADETS		ENLISTED MEN			
	PRESENT	ABSENT	PRESENT FOR DUTY	PRESENT NOT FOR DUTY	ABSENT	PRESENT AND ABSENT
ADD						
ATCHD ORGNS						
ATCHD PB OTHER ORGN						
TOTAL						

R A T I O N S	ESTIMATED NUMBER OF RATIONS REQUIRED FOR	DAY OF WEEK	NUMBER
		DATE	
M E S S	MESS ATTENDANCE FOR DAY OF THIS REPORT		AVERAGE
	BREAKFAST	DINNER SUPPER	TOTAL +
M E N	MEM AUTHORIZED TO MESS SEPARATELY	MEM ATCHD FOR RATIONS O & OTHERS MESSED	TOTAL
	MEM ATCHD TO OTHER ORGN FOR RATIONS	RET	
M E N	MEM PRESENT	LESS	PLUS

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**COMPANY MORNING REPORT**

EDUC 2400

9

July

1944

STATION Wollaton VK 9959 England

ORGANIZATION Co E 508 Proht Inf Inf

(CO, BTRY, ETC.)

(PARENT UNIT)

(ARM OR SERVICE)

SERIAL NUMBER	NAME	GRADE	CODE
Q-1295516	Schermerhorn, Roy A.	1 Lt	A/1st
	Asgd to and id Co fr Serv Co		1/16
	this regt as of 29 June 44		1510
	(Platoon Leader)		
Q-1287299	Brunfield, Melbourne F.	1 Lt	
34574058	Brooks, J. D.	Pfc	
13135865	Aaron, Lawrence T.	Sgt	
37457801	Butcher, Kenneth D.	Pvt	
15010458	Brogley, Steve	S/Sgt	
36810476	Zylka, Eugene A.	Pvt	
	Above 1 Officer and 5 EM fr		
	dy to hosp(Unknown)LD,		
	seriously wounded in action as		
	of 5 July 44.		

**STATION AND RECORD OF EVENTS**

- 29 June 44 Usual C.P. duties
- 30 June 44 Usual C.P. duties
- 1 July 44 Usual C.P. duties
- 2 July 44 Moved fr LaPetrie Franbe to map coordinates 257897
- 3 July 44 After artillery & mortar

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OFFICER STRENGTH	PLD O & CAPT		1ST LT		2D LT		WO		FLT O	
	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST
ADD										
ATCHD UNASGD										
ATCHD FR OTHER ORGN										
TOTAL										

AVN CADET & SER STRENGTH	AVIATION CADETS		ENLISTED MEN			
	PRESENT	ABSENT	PRESENT FOR DUTY	PRESENT NOT FOR DUTY	ABSENT	PRESENT AND ABSENT
ADD						
ATCHD UNASGD						
ATCHD FR OTHER ORGN						
TOTAL			0	0		

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF RATIONS REQUIRED FOR DAY OF WEEK DATE NUMBER

MESS ATTENDANCE FOR DAY OF THIS REPORT

BREAKFAST	DINNER	SUPPER	TOTAL	AVERAGE

MEN AUTHORIZED TO MESS SEPARATELY MEN ATCHD FOR RATIONS

MEN ATCHD TO OTHER ORGN FOR RATIONS NET O & OTHERS MESSED TOTAL

MEN PRESENT LESS PLUS

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SIGNATURE

STATION Wollaton VK 9959 England  
 ORGANIZATION Co E 508 Preht Inf Inf  
(CO. DET. ETC.) (PARADE DUTY) (APN OR SERVICE)

SERIAL NUMBER	NAME	GRADE	CODE
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(Cont'd)  
 Co left Lo, France at 0630 hr, receiving enemy mortar fire at 1145 hr. Reached objective on Hill 131 at 2000 hr, moved to new position 3 mi further south.

4 July 44 Defensive position.  
 Casualties: 1 Officer and 5 FM Seriously wounded in action.

OFFICER STRENGTH	FLD O & CAPT		1ST LT		2D LT		WO		FLT O	
	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST
ASST			2	2	1	2				
ASSTD										
ASSTD FR OTHER ORGN										
TOTAL			2	2	1	2				

AVN CADET & ENL STRENGTH	AVIATION CADETS		ENLISTED MEN			
	PRESENT	ABSENT	PRESENT FOR DUTY	PRESENT NOT FOR DUTY	ABSENT	PRESENT AND ABSENT
ASST			78		21	99
ASSTD						
ASSTD FR OTHER ORGN			5			5
TOTAL			81		21	102

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF RATIONS REQUIRED FOR DAY OF WEEK DATE NUMBER

MESS ATTENDANCE FOR DAY OF THIS REPORT

BREAKFAST	81	DINNER	81	SUPPER	81	TOTAL	245	AVERAGE	81
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MEN AUTHORIZED TO MESS SEPARATELY \_\_\_\_\_ MEN ATCHD FOR RATIONS O & OTHERS MESSED 5 TOTAL 84

MEN ATCHD TO OTHER ORGN FOR RATIONS NET 81 PLUS 5

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SIGNATURE Joseph E. Hartsough 2d Lt Inf Inf







PFC	WILBURN I STUTLER	15332262	508th Frecht	Inf
CPL	EDDIE A TAMPLEN	18081436	507th Frecht	Inf
PVT	JOHN P TERNOSNY	33463601	504th Frecht	Inf
PVT	J MORRIS THOMPSON	20340339	507th Frecht	Inf
S SGT	ARTHUR W TOWER	11063860	505th Frecht	Inf
PFC	NICHOLAS TREVINO	38132024	508th Frecht	Inf
SGT	JOHN A TURNER	11067994	507th Frecht	Inf
PFC	PHILIP F VERDUCE	33151308	505th Frecht	Inf
PVT	ROSCOE H WALKER	14029522	508th Frecht	Inf
PVT	JAMES O WALLIS	37348356	507th Frecht	Inf
TTC 4	MICHAEL R WARGO	32278926	505th Frecht	Inf
CPL	PETER J WEATHERS	32304591	507th Frecht	Inf
2D LT	ROBERT J WEAVER	01302396	508th Frecht	Inf
PVT	JAMES H WEINERTH	12140341	508th Frecht	Inf
PFC	WILLIAM R WOLF	13090555	507th Frecht	Inf
PVT	JULIUS A WYNGART	16068057	505th Frecht	Inf
PFC	WILLIAM W YOUNG	19082957	505th Frecht	Inf

b. A Bronze Star Medal having been previously awarded, the following are awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster:

S SGT	SIMON H HANNIG	16059096	505th Frecht	Inf
PFC	ROBERT L SEALE	6999179	508th Frecht	Inf

c. The following are Missing in Action:

PVT	JAMES S CARPER	15112794	507th Frecht	Inf
TTC 5	PAUL NMI DEMCIAK	33359781	508th Frecht	Inf
PFC	OTTO NMI BICHELBERG	39208696	507th Frecht	Inf
PVT	MICHAEL NMI EVANICK	32000715	504th Frecht	Inf
PFC	LESLIE D FRIES	39310530	505th Frecht	Inf
PVT	WILLIAM L GRAY	14030502	504th Frecht	Inf
PFC	ROBERT E KELLEY	15077111	507th Frecht	Inf
PFC	BEVERLEY J MOSS	33446638	508th Frecht	Inf
PVT	WILLIAM L ROBEINS	39238453	507th Frecht	Inf
TTC 4	PAUL B THORE	17050851	507th Frecht	Inf
CPL	ALEXANDER F TURLO	11052948	507th Frecht	Inf
PFC	JONES H WARREN	39307971	507th Frecht	Inf
PVT	NORMAN C WILLIS	16087294	508th Frecht	Inf

d. The following have subsequently been reported as Killed in Action:

PFC	JOHN R BERGENDAHL	31277056	507th Frecht	Inf
1ST LT	CLAUDE V CROOKS JR	01010521	507th Frecht	Inf
PVT	JAMES J CURRIN	34464713	505th Frecht	Inf
PFC	MURRAY E DALY	15334241	508th Frecht	Inf
CPL	RUSSELL B DILLARD	13036507	507th Frecht	Inf
PVT	WALTER W HARRRELSON	19186141	508th Frecht	Inf
PFC	WALTER A HEINEMANN	16053791	505th Frecht	Inf
PVT	DALE C HUDSON	37447044	505th Frecht	Inf
PFC	CARL W JONES	37518141	508th Frecht	Inf



A.P.O. 469, U. S. Army,  
21 July 1944.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 32, Headquarters ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, and Circular No. 66, Headquarters First United States Army, 18 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individuals for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 June 1944 in NORMANDY, FRANCE. Shortly after 0100 on D-Day these men dropped by parachute as members of small Pathfinder Teams with equipment and apparatus for guiding the incoming parachute and glider lifts to designated drop and landing zones. They were the advance elements of a mighty armada of airborne elements. They had no protection save their individual arms. The very nature of their mission denied them the privilege of seeking cover and concealment after landing. The operation of their apparatus and the marking lights on the fields they occupied revealed their exact location to the enemy. They exhibited superb courage, cool-headed efficiency and daring of the highest order. They accomplished their hazardous missions with remarkable efficiency. Many of them made the supreme sacrifice, many of them were wounded, but all did their duty and contributed materially to the success of the greatest night airborne operation ever attempted by any army. Their voluntary performance of this especially hazardous duty was a superb demonstration of the qualities which will bring Victory ever closer.

a.	PVT	CURRY M ADDERTON	17044260	504th Pecht Inf
	CPL	LEWIS D ALLEN	20360339	505th Pecht Inf
	2D LT	CHARLES R AMES	0-423836	507th Pecht Inf
	PVT	ROBERT A ANDREAS	34249324	508th Pecht Inf
	TEC 4	WILLIAM O ARMSTRONG	37176000	507th Pecht Inf
	PVT	WARREN L BAKER	19084297	505th Pecht Inf
	PVT	JOHN J BALDASSAR	33366649	504th Pecht Inf
	2D LT	ROBERT B BALES	0-2055092	505th Pecht Inf
	SGT	ROBERT V BARBIAUX	33275837	508th Pecht Inf
	PFC	JOHN T BARKLEY	34267678	508th Pecht Inf
	PVT	JAMES E BARNETTE	6988604	505th Pecht Inf
	PFC	ROBERT J BEAUDINE	32343984	507th Pecht Inf
	S SGT	FRANK M BIGGAM	15336962	505th Pecht Inf
	PFC	THEODORE F BOSSERT	33461248	508th Pecht Inf
	PFC	JASPER J BOWMAN	14161500	505th Pecht Inf
	TEC 4	EDWARD L BRIMLOW	32021151	505th Pecht Inf
	TEC 5	VINGENT MMN BROPHY	32222056	507th Pecht Inf
	PVT	CHARLES L BURGHUFF	19075481	505th Pecht Inf
	PFC	FRED L BURNS	39237089	507th Pecht Inf
	PVT	JOSEPH A BURNS	32801540	508th Pecht Inf
	CPL	CHARLES F CALVERT	31248089	508th Pecht Inf

STATION Wolla ton VK 9959 England  
 ORGANIZATION C o E 508th Preht Inf Inf  
(CO, DET, ETC.) (PARENT UNIT) (AFM OR SERVICE)

SERIAL NUMBER	NAME	GRADE	CODE
2 8565884	Duncan Charles	604 Pvt	B-INF
31426012	Silvia Arthur P	604 Pvt	7
above 2 km a sgd & jd fr 11th replacem ent depot A PO 151			
6158828	Mylan William	745 Pvt	9
fr atchd was gd ab sk (Hosp unknown LD) a sgd & jd battle casualty			
54407712	Simons John L Jr	Cpl	9
fr atchd was gd a b sk (Hosp unknown LD) a sgd & jd battle casualty 653			
18167655	Cook Ralph R	Cpl	
15118891	McNeil Ronald A	Pfc	
16067294	William Norman C	Pfc	
88500565	Wynn Clark George W	Cpl	
above 4 E M fr dy to fur 5 days			

6986857 Smith Frank 653 Sgt 1-8  
 rd to Pvt 7 August 44 07/08  
 H/4

OFFICER STRENGTH	PLD O & CAPT		1ST LT		2D LT		WO		FLT O	
	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST
ASGD			2	1	2					
ATCHD UNASGD				2		3				
ATCHD FR OTHER ORGN										
TOTAL			2	3	2	3				

AVN CADET & ENL STRENGTH	AVIATION CADETS		ENLISTED MEN			
	PRESENT	ABSENT	PRESENT FOR DUTY	PRESENT NOT FOR DUTY	ABSENT	PRESENT AND ABSENT
ASGD			119		28	147
ATCHD UNASGD					17	17
ATCHD FR OTHER ORGN						
TOTAL			119		45	164

R | ESTIMATED NUMBER OF DAY OF WEEK  
 A | RATIONS REQUIRED FOR DATE NUMBER

T | MESS ATTENDANCE FOR DAY OF THIS REPORT  
 H | BREAKFAST DINNER SUPPER TOTAL AVERAGE

O | MEN AUTHORIZED TO MESS SEPARATELY MEN ATCHD FOR RATIONS  
 N | MEN ATCHD TO OTHER ORGN FOR RATIONS NET O & OTHERS MESS TOTAL  
 S | MEN PRESENT LESS PLUS

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SIGNATURE Joseph S. Hartman  
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**COMPANY MORNING REPORT**

15 Aug 1944

STATION Wallaton V.K. 9959 England

ORGANIZATION Co E, 508th Precht Inf Inf

SERIAL NUMBER	NAME	GRADE	CODE
6901208	Vogel, Walter (NML)	Pfc.	
fr dy to ar qrs. 13 Aug 44.			
18167655	Cook, Ralph E.	Cpl.	
13118891	McNeil, Ronald A.	Pfc.	
16087294	Willis, Norman C.	Pfc.	
38300365	Womack, George W.	Cpl.	
above 4 <del>W</del> fr fur to dy. 5 days.			

38319937	Abernathy, Bob H. 761	Pvt.	9.11.44
35348334	Dilworth, John M. 743	Pvt.	7
above 2 FM fr atchd unasgd ab sk (hosp unknown LD) asgd & jd. 14 Aug 44 battle casualty.			

OFFICER STRENGTH	FLD O & CAPT		1ST LT		2D LT		WO		FLY O	
	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST
ASGD	1		3	1	3					
ATCHD UNASGD			2		3					
ATCHD FR OTHER ORGN										
TOTAL	1		3	3	3	3				

AVN CADET & ENL STRENGTH	AVIATION CADETS		ENLISTED MEN			
	PRESENT	ABSENT	PRESENT FOR DUTY	PRESENT NOT FOR DT	ABSENT	PRESENT AND ABSENT
ASGD			119	3	25	147
ATCHD UNASGD					15	15
ATCHD FR OTHER ORGN						
TOTAL			119	3	40	162

R I ESTIMATED NUMBER OF RATIONS REQUIRED FOR DAY OF WEEK DATE NUMBER

A II MESS ATTENDANCE FOR DAY OF THIS REPORT

BREAKFAST	DINNER	SUPPER	TOTAL	AVERAGE
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O III MEN AUTHORIZED TO MESS SEPARATELY MEN ATCHD FOR RATIONS O & OTHERS MESSED

N III MEN ATCHD TO OTHER ORGN FOR RATIONS NET

S III MEN PRESENT LESS PLUS TOTAL

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SIGNATURE Aubrey W. Deavour, Capt. Inf

Information from the Hospital Admission Cards created 12/23/2024  
 by the office of the Surgeon General, Department  
 of the Army (1944-1945).  
 Information for the year 1944

Service Number	16087294
Rank	Enlisted Man
Arm of Service	Infantry, Parachute Troops
Age	24
Race	White
Length of Service	1 Year(s), 8 Month(s)
Month of Admission	July
Year of Admission	1944
Last Treatment Facility	General hospital
Circumstances Surrounding Injury	Battle casualty or battle injury other than ; self-inflicted injury or injury intentionally ; inflicted by another person.
Type of Case	Casualty, battle
Type of Admission	New
Type of Diagnosis	Sole diagnosis, no history of prior disease, injury; or battle casualty
Line of Duty	In line of duty
1st Diagnosis	Wound(s), Penetrating
1st Anatomical Location	Buttock and hip
1st Operation	
2nd Diagnosis	
2nd Anatomical Location	
2nd Operation	
3rd Diagnosis	
Causative Agent	Artillery Shell, Fragments, Afoot or unspecified
Final Result:	25th Gen Hospital or 48th General Hospital
Disposition	Duty
Cause of Disposition	Not death nor discharge (incl cases remaining in hosp at end of 1944
Month of Disposition	July
Year of Disposition	1944
Total Days (non-effective)	022
Hospital Days	022
Current Days /Gen Hosp Overseas Day	022
Place of Final Cure	25th Gen Hosp or 48th Gen Hosp
Sample Size	Remaining 1944 case

Source: This information was obtained from the Hospital Admission Card data file (1944-1945) created by the Office of the Surgeon General Department of the Army. In 1970 the National Research Council first compiled this for statistical purposes using the EMTs (Emergency Medical Tags) and other Office of the Surgeon General Office Records during WWII.