

In Memoriam to
Poquoson's Fallen
Military
Servicemen

World War I

1917-1918



Robert Reed Holloway

Born: March 20, 1897; Died: October 7, 1918
Parents: Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Holloway

Private, Company C, 9th Infantry, 2nd
Division

Robert arrived in France in June 1918 and was killed-in-action at the Battle of Monte Blanc Ridge. His name is on a special plaque at Trinity Church outside the Sanctuary. The Poquoson American Legion Holloway-Moore Post 273 is named in his honor. He is buried at Weston Cemetery in Poquoson.

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Harry Roe Wainwright

Born: January 6, 1897; Died: October 13, 1918
Parents: Mr. & Mrs. John T & Mary E. Wainwright

US Navy Reserve, Machinist Mate 2nd
Class

Harry enlisted in the US Naval Reserve in July 1918, contracted the Spanish flu and pneumonia in September, and died at the US Navy Hospital, Portsmouth, VA. He is buried at the Wainwright Cemetery in Poquoson.



Wilton Thomas Wainwright

Born: April 17, 1894; Died: November 10, 1918

Parents: Mr. & Mrs. William E. Wainwright

Private, Company G, 318th Infantry, 80
Division

The 80th Division was the only division in the American Expeditionary Force to attack in all three of the phases of the Meuse-Argonne Offensive in France. It was during this action that Wilton was killed-in-action at Verdun, France, one day before World War I ended. He is buried at Tabernacle United Methodist Churchyard in Poquoson.

World War II

1941-1945



Granville L. Adams, Jr.

Born: March 16, 1923; Died: August 20, 1944

Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Granville L. Adams

Staff Sergeant, U.S. Army Air Corps,
468th Bombardment Group, 792 Bomb
Squadron

Granville was declared missing-in-action after bailing out of the B-29 Super fortress over the China Sea on August 20, 1944 due to damage caused by anti-aircraft artillery. He was declared dead on April 8, 1946. His name is on the "Tablets of the Missing" monument at the Philippines Manila American Cemetery and Memorial. He was awarded the Air Medal, Purple Heart, American Campaign Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal. A memorial marker is located at Weston Cemetery in Poquoson.



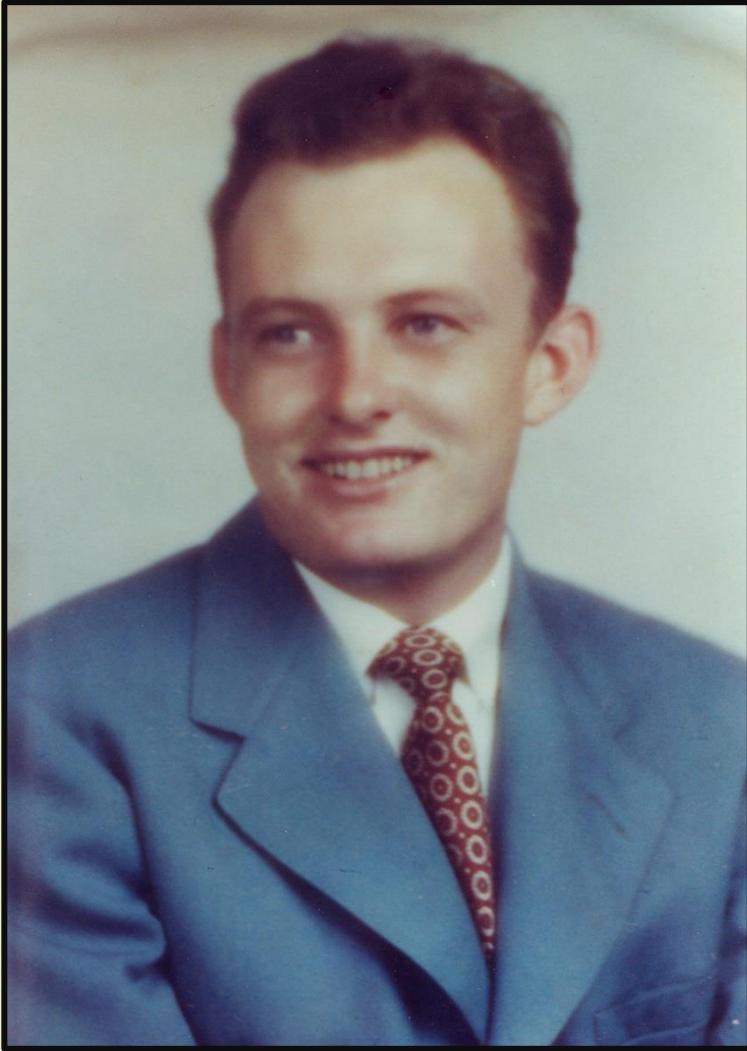
Joseph Clyde Edwards

Born: August 14, 1923; Died: March 2, 1945

Parents: Mr. and Mrs. George Edwards

Private, Company F, 33rd Infantry
Regiment, 84th Infantry Division, 9th
Army

It was during the Battle of the Bulge December 1944 through January 1945 that Joseph was wounded-in-action. The 84th Division pushed Field Marshal Gerd von Rundstedt's forces out of Belgium. Joseph died from his wounds on March 2, 1945. He is buried at Hampton National Cemetery, Section F P Site 770.



John Ray Forrest

Born: July 31, 1920; Died: February 19, 1945

Parents: Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Forrest

Private—U.S. Marine Corps

John was a 1937 graduate of Poquoson High School and had previously worked in the riveting department at the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Co. He was killed-in-action during the battle of Iwo Jima. He had a fiancé, Sammie Harrell of Newport News. He is buried at Weston Cemetery in Poquoson.



Earnest Thornton Holloway

Born: February 2, 1925; Died: October 27, 1944

Parents: Mr. And Mrs. Maynard M. Holloway

Seaman 1st Class, U.S. Navy Reserves,
USS PT-523, Torpedo Boat Squadron 36

Earnest was wounded during the Battle of Leyte Gulf October 23-26, 1944. The battle was considered the largest naval battle in U.S. history. He died of his wounds on October 27, 1944 at age 19. He is buried at Hampton National Cemetery in Hampton, Virginia, Section F Site 192.



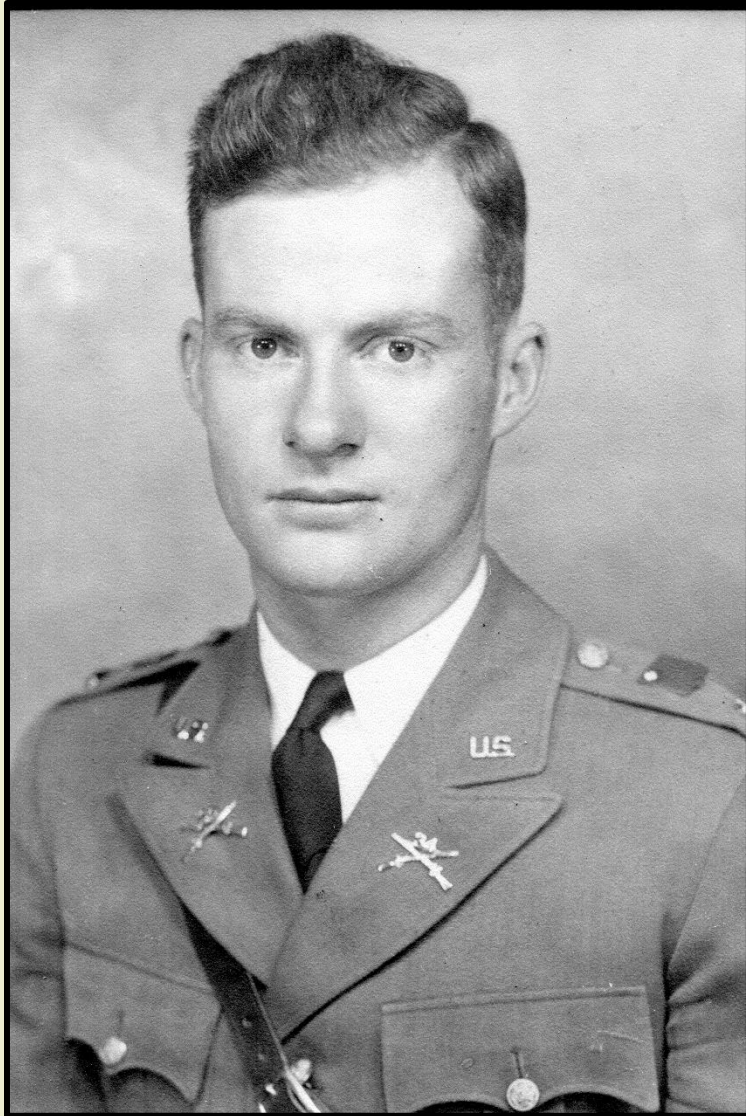
Alfred Moody Moore

Born: May 25, 1910; Died: May 8, 1944

Parents: Mr. and Mrs. William Franklin Moore

Captain, US Army Air Corps, 10th Bomber Squadron, Aerial Reconnaissance

Alfred was killed in a plane crash while enroute from Panama to San Jose, CA, on May 8, 1944. He graduated from Poquoson High School and VPI. He volunteered for training in the Army Air Corps and graduated from schools in Miami Beach, FL and Harrisburg, PA. He was married to Elizabeth Moore who lived in Bowling Green, VA. A memorial marker is located at the Peninsula Memorial Park in Newport News, Virginia.



Harold McBride Moore

Born: June 4, 1917; Died: February 22, 1943

Parents: Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Moore

Captain, US Army Air Corps, 13th Ferry Group, 44th Squadron.

Harold graduated from VPI in 1939. He was killed in a plane crash on February 23, 1943 in Tunisia, North Africa. He was posthumously awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross. The Poquoson American Legion Holloway-Moore Post 273 is named in his honor. He is buried at the North Africa American Cemetery and Memorial in Carthage, Tunis, Tunisia, Plot A, grave 18, row 8.



Harry E. Wainwright

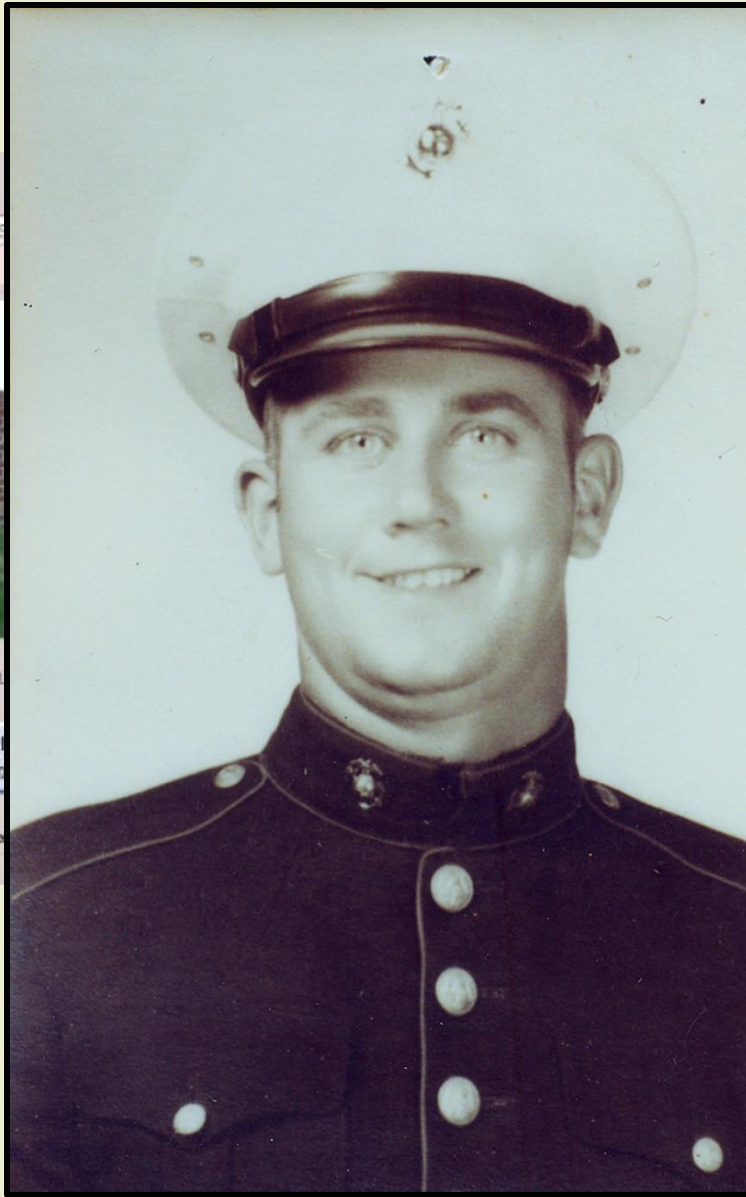
Born: May 11, 1923; Died: November 3, 1945
Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Wainwright

Corporal—U.S. Army Air Corps, Air
Transport Command

Harry was an apprentice in the Norfolk Naval Shipyard before enlisting in the Air Corps on January 11, 1944. He died in a plane crash 450 miles east of Hawaii while on his way to San Francisco. A memorial marker is located at Olive Branch Cemetery, Portsmouth, VA.

Korea

1950-1952



Jack Sinclair Holloway

Born: September 10, 1930;

Died: December 13, 1952

Parents: Mr. and Mrs. John Vaden Holloway

Private First Class, U.S. Marine Corps,
3rd Battalion, 5th Regiment, 1st Marine
Division

Jack was a graduate of Poquoson High School. He entered the Marines Corps in August 1951 and was killed-in-action on December 13, 1952. He is buried at Weston Cemetery in Poquoson.



Joseph Eugene Wood

Born: October 29, 1930; Died: September 4, 1950

Parents: Mr. and Mrs. John N. Wood

Private First Class, US Army, Company
L, 3rd Battalion, 7th Cavalry Regiment, 1st
Cavalry Division

Joseph was reported missing-in-action in
September 1950, one month after
arriving in Korea. He was killed by
hostile fire during a battle in South
Korea. He is buried at Weston Cemetery
in Poquoson.

Vietnam War

1955-1975



Richard Thomas Huggett

Born: September 21, 1947; Died: June 13, 1968

Parents: Mr. and Mrs. George Huggett

Specialist 4th Class, US Army, 3rd
Squadron, 4th U.S. Cavalry, 25th Infantry
Division

Richard was killed-in-action by hostile
fire at Hua Nghia, South Vietnam.

He was posthumously awarded the
Cavalry Order of the Spur. His name is
listed on the Vietnam Memorial, Panel
57W, Line 10. He is buried at Parklawn
Memorial Park in Hampton, Virginia.



Paul Adams Meyer

Born: March 10, 1946; Died: May 23, 1969

Parents: Mr. Paul & Marjourie Meyer

Sergeant—U.S. Air Force, stationed at Mildenhall Royal Air Force Base, Suffolk, England

Paul attended the Missouri Military Academy in Mexico, Missouri and was a descendant of John Quincy Adams. He served two tours of duty in Vietnam and was stationed at Langley Air Force Base where he lived with his wife in Poquoson. He was on temporary duty in England when he died during a C-130 crash into the English Channel. His remains were never recovered. He was survived by his wife and three children: David, Henry, & Marianne.



David Bland Owen

Born: January 27, 1936

Died: October 4, 1967

Parents: Mr. And Mrs. Frank David Owen,

Sergeant First Class—U.S. Army,
MACVA Advisory Team 99

David was killed-in-action at Long An in South Vietnam. His name is on the Vietnam Memorial Wall in Washington, D.C., Panel 27E, Line 50. He is buried at Weston Cemetery in Poquoson.



Gilbert Wayne Page

Born: December 3, 1948; Died: May 17, 1969
Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Page

Sergeant—A Company, 1st Battalion,
506th Infantry, 101st Airborne Division

Gilbert was killed-in-action during the Battle of Hamburger Hill, Thua Thien-Hue Province, Vietnam. He was posthumously awarded the National Defense Service Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, Purple Heart, Vietnam Campaign Medal, and Vietnam Service Medal. His name is on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall, Panel W24, Line 33. He is buried at Weston Cemetery in Poquoson.

Operation Iraqi Freedom 2003-2011



Kyle William Brown

Born: December 27, 1983; Died: January 7, 2006
Parents: Mr. Rodney Lee Taylor Bridges & Mrs.
Teresa A. St. Pierre

Lance Corporal, U.S. Marines, 2nd
Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, 2nd
Marine Division

Kyle served one tour of duty in Afghanistan and two tours in Iraq. He was killed by sniper fire near Fallujah, Iraq. He was awarded the Iraqi Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal and the Purple Heart. He is buried in Arlington National Cemetery, Section 60, Site 8308.

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Finally to all the families who lost a loved ones, *They shall not be forgotten.*