

REQUEST PERTAINING TO MILITARY RECORDS

* Requests from veterans or deceased veteran's next-of-kin may be submitted online by using eVetRecs at <http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/>*

(To ensure the best possible service, please thoroughly review the accompanying instructions before filling out this form. Please print clearly or type.)

SECTION I - INFORMATION NEEDED TO LOCATE RECORDS (Furnish as much as possible.)

1. NAME USED DURING SERVICE (last, first, and middle) WELCH, ARTHUR LEE		2. SOCIAL SECURITY NO 499-38- [REDACTED]	3. DATE OF BIRTH DEC. 04, 1937	4. PLACE OF BIRTH		
5. SERVICE, PAST AND PRESENT (For an effective records search, it is important that all service be shown below.)						
	BRANCH OF SERVICE	DATE ENTERED	DATE RELEASED	OFFICER	ENLISTED	SERVICE NUMBER (If unknown, write "unknown")
a. ACTIVE COMPONENT	CLAIMS ARMY, LATE 50'S, EARLY 60'S					
b. RESERVE COMPONENT	PLEASE SEND DETAILED DUTY ASSIGNMENTS, COMBAT HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATIONS -					
c. NATIONAL GUARD	Please DO NOT SUMMARIZE the assignments - dates, units, locations needed. PLEASE PROVIDE ORDERS AND CITATION TEXT FOR ANY AWARDS OF VALOR					
6. IS THIS PERSON DECEASED? If "YES" enter the date of death. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES			7. IS (WAS) THIS PERSON RETIRED FROM MILITARY SERVICE? <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES			

SECTION II - INFORMATION AND/OR DOCUMENTS REQUESTED

I. CHECK THE ITEM(S) YOU ARE REQUESTING:

DD Form 214 or equivalent. When was the DD Form(s) 214 issued? YEAR(S): _____
If more than one period of service was performed, even in the same branch, there may be more than one DD214.

This form contains information normally needed to verify military service. A copy may be sent to the veteran, the deceased veteran's next of kin, or other persons or organizations if authorized in Section III, below. An UNDELETED DD214 is ordinarily required to determine eligibility for benefits. Sensitive items, such as, the character of separation, authority for separation, reason for separation, reenlistment eligibility code, separation (SPD/SPN) code, and dates of time lost are usually shown.

An undeleted copy will be sent unless you specify a deleted copy. Indicate here if you want a deleted copy of the DD Form 214.

The following items are deleted: authority for separation, reason for separation, reenlistment eligibility code, separation (SPD/SPN) code, and for separations after June 30, 1979, character of separation and dates of time lost.

and **II Documents in Official Military Personnel File (OMPF)**

Medical Records (Includes Service Treatment Records, Health (outpatient) and dental records.) If hospitalized (inpatient), the facility name and date for each admission must be provided: _____

Other (Specify): FOIA REQUEST: MINIMALLY - SPECIAL ORDERS; list of and dates for AWARDS,

2. PURPOSE: DECORATIONS; DETAILED SCHOOLS and TRAINING courses and dates;
response and may result in a faster reply. (Information provided will in no way be used to make a decision to deny the request.) (Check appropriate box.)
DETAILED list of DUTY ASSIGNMENTS, DATES, GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATIONS, COMBAT HISTORY

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RE: Veteran's Name: WELCH, Arthur Lee
SSN/SN:

Dear Recipient:

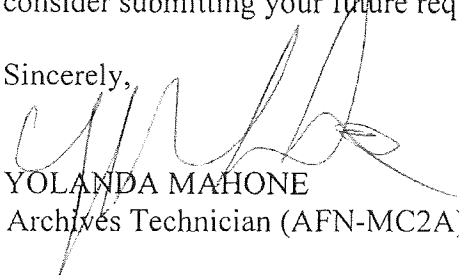
Thank you for contacting the National Personnel Records Center. We are unable to identify a military record based on the information provided in your inquiry. We will make another search for the record if the enclosed NA Form 13075, Questionnaire About Military Service, is completed and returned to this Center.

There is also a possibility that the record was lost in the fire that occurred at this Center on July 12, 1973. The fire destroyed the major portion of records of Army military personnel for the period 1912 through 1959. Also destroyed were records of Air Force personnel with surnames Hubbard through Z, for the period 1947 through 1963. Fortunately, there are alternate record sources that contain information that can be used to reconstruct basic service record data lost in the fire; however, complete records cannot be reconstructed.

Please fill out the attached form completely and mail it back using the envelope provided. This will ensure your request will be routed to me for special handling. Upon receipt of the completed questionnaire, every effort will be made to locate the requested information by way of alternate records sources if the record is not available. Please place proper postage on our envelope to prevent delays in processing. Your case will remain open for 30 days. If a reply is not received within this time, your case will automatically be closed in our system.

If you have questions or comments regarding this response, you may contact us at 314-801-0800 or by mail at the address shown in the letterhead above. If you contact us, please reference the Request Number listed above. If you are a veteran, or a deceased veteran's next of kin, please consider submitting your future requests online by visiting us at <http://vetrecs.archives.gov>.

Sincerely,


YOLANDA MAHONE
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Enclosure(s)



**We Value Our
Veterans' Privacy**

*Let us know if we have
failed to protect it.*

QUESTIONNAIRE ABOUT MILITARY SERVICE

1. WHY WE ARE SENDING YOU THIS FORM: We are unable to locate a record with the information provided in your original inquiry OR the record needed to answer your inquiry was lost in the July 1973 fire that destroyed millions of records at the National Personnel Records Center. The records stored in the area which suffered the most damage in the fire were those of Army veterans discharged or deceased between November 1, 1912, and December 31, 1959, AND Air Force veterans discharged, deceased, or retired before January 1, 1964, whose names come alphabetically after Hubbard, James E.

The information you provide on page 2 of this form may help locate the record, if it is available; or, if the record is not available, it may enable the Center to make use of various alternate sources to reconstruct some of the basic service record data. Please note that if the *only* document you need is the Report of Separation (DD Form 214, WDAGO Form 53-55, etc.), it may be available from a former employer or from the recorder's office of the city or county where the veteran lived just after separation/discharge.

2. WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:

- Fill out page 2 of this form (NA Form 13075) as completely as possible, as well as any other form(s) you may have received with this one, such as Standard Form (SF) 180 and NA Form 13055;
- Attach copies of any papers you have that relate to the requested military service, such as military orders, award citations, and military addresses as shown on letters mailed home; and
- Send the above item(s) to the National Personnel Records Center at the address shown below or fax to (314) 801-9195. If we do not receive this information from you within 30 days, your request will be closed without further reply.

3. FEE FOR ARCHIVAL RECORDS: A fee is often required for copies of documents from an archival record. An archival record is one that was transferred to the legal custody of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) 62 years after the subject of the record was discharged or retired, or died in service. Archival records are open to the public. Access to archival records does not require written authorization from the veteran or next-of-kin. You will be notified if there is a charge associated with information from the record you are requesting.

4. MEDALS INFORMATION: Are you requesting military service medals only? If so, do you have a copy of the Report of Separation (DD Form 214, WDAGO Form 53-55, etc.) and other military papers that show which medals were earned? If you send such information about medals, you do not need to fill out this NA Form 13075; however, you must return page 2 (with the barcode) so that we can locate your original request. Finally, if possible, please send a list of the names and locations of all military units or "outfits" to which the veteran was assigned, including dates, while on active duty. This may help determine eligibility for "unit" awards.

Special provisions when a record is archival: Only requests from veterans for replacements of awards will be processed without a fee. All other requesters will be given the opportunity to purchase copies of available archival records in the custody of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). We will not verify entitlement to medals, provide specific documents, or extract awards information for anyone other than the veteran when the record is archival.

PRIVACY ACT OF 1974 COMPLIANCE INFORMATION

The following information is provided in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(e) (3) and applies to this form. Authority for collection of the information is 44 U.S.C. 2907, 3101, and 3103, and Public Law 104-134 (April 26, 1996), as amended in title 31, section 7701. Disclosure of the information is voluntary. If the requested information is not provided, it may delay servicing your inquiry because the National Personnel Records Center may not have all of the information needed to locate the record(s) sought. The purpose of the information on this form is to assist the National Personnel Records Center in locating the correct military service record(s) or information to answer your inquiry. This form is then filed in the requested military service record as a record of disclosure. The form may be disclosed to the Department of Defense components or the Department of Homeland Security (DHS, U.S. Coast Guard), if the National Personnel Records Center transfers all or part of those records to such agency. If the service member was a member of the National Guard, the form may be disclosed to the Adjutant General of the appropriate state, District of Columbia, or Puerto Rico, where he or she served. The form may also be disclosed when the military service member or, in the case of a deceased service member, the military service department, authorizes a specific individual or organization to have access to the military service record.

PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT PUBLIC BURDEN STATEMENT

You are not required to provide the information requested on a form that is subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act unless the form displays a valid OMB control number. The information requested on this form is being collected and used by the National Personnel Records Center to identify and locate military service records that could not be identified and located in response to the original inquiry. Public burden reporting for this collection of information is estimated to be five minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of the collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to National Archives and Records Administration (NHP), 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001. **DO NOT SEND COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND COMPLETED FORMS TO THE ADDRESS BELOW.**

08-15-2017

Date

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