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This was called the May Day Parade held every year in Berlin at that time to celebrate Labour Day. All the Allies in Berlin sent a contingent to march down what was known as Junistrasse which ran from the Brandenburg Gate down thru the Tiergarten. I was picked to be part of that contingent for the American Occupying forces.

Scott returns, twenty years later, Feb 1990



In front of the Brandenburg gate in West Berlin



In front of the Brandenburg gate, on the other side of the wall in East Berlin. Notice the line to the right of East Germans waiting to get out.



This is in area called Steinstucken in West Berlin where the wall had actually come down but the East German guards would not let traffic go beyond this point, as it was known as “Dead Man’s Zone” to keep people from the East from trying to escape. Mines, booby traps and guard towers. This area has an interesting history. When the wall went up in 1961 this was a finger of land with a school on it that the East Germans wanted to cut off. So in a standoff the US Commander of Berlin escorted the children to school every morning and the East Germans finally gave up and they put the wall around the finger so the school would remain in West Berlin.



Same as 3 But I'm now standing on the East side of the wall with my two new East German guard friends.



With the help of a friend I climbed up on the wall in front of the Brandenburg Gate where all the crowds gathered in November 1989 when the Wall came down. To my rear is East Berlin. The East German guards to my rear were yelling at me and the West German guards to my front were yelling at me, all in German, presumably to get the f— off the wall. Really historical pic



Crosses dedicated to people who died trying to escape near the Brandenburg Gate and the Reichstag.



Another pic like 5.



This is a piece of the Wall which I personally hammered off. Encased in lucite as a memento of my trip there.