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## Welcome to Gladstone, Home of the 1432<sup>nd</sup> Engineer Company(ESC)

The 1432nd Engineer Company (ESC) would like to cordially invite you to the 60th Annual Reunion of the 107th Engineer Association. The Soldiers and families of the 1432 EN CO look forward to hosting this long standing traditional gathering of the Association. This year's Reunion will be 12-13 August 2022 in Gladstone.

On Friday, August 12th, beginning at 1400, registration will commence. This is a great time to catch up with old friends, and get to know the new faces. The bar will be open. At 1800 hours the social mixer will kick off with free finger foods – the food will be compliments of the 1432nd Engineer Club.

On Saturday, plan on enjoying yourself. From 0730-0900 we will start it off with a hearty breakfast. Our company leadership is planning on ensuring you start your day right, for a low price of \$5 per person. For those of you that had too much fun on Friday, there will be Bloody Marys available in lieu of breakfast.

At 1030 hours, as it is customary, we will meet at the flagpole for the Memorial Service. Immediately after the Memorial Service, there will be the Annual Business meeting.

Following the Memorial Service, we will have a lunch on the lawn overlooking Little Bay de Noc. We will be serving a standard cook-out menu, \$5 per person. Bar services will be provided during lunch. Feel free to enjoy static displays of the unit's equipment.

We encourage you to explore the central Upper Peninsula. Those interested will be taken to the local training area to see the horizontal engineers at work. Kitch-iti-Kipi is about 45 miles away from the armory, or Fayette State Park is about 55 minutes away. These are some fun sites to see while you are in this part of the UP.

As always, the bar will be open at the armory.

The day's events will build up to the banquet. Cocktails will begin at 1700, and the colors will be posted at 1800.

Immediately following the introduction of the Reunion Committee and the honored guests, there will be a dinner meal. The cost is \$20 per person and will include 2 drink tokens. There will be music for your entertainment.

As a free service, the unit will supply Soldiers to provide transportation. So for the duration of the weekend, you can enjoy yourself to the full extent, and take advantage of our designated drivers. They will provide a taxi service from your hotels in the morning to retrieve vehicles as well.

Please RSVP as soon as possible, so that we may adequately plan for the weekend's activities. If you have any questions or requests, please feel free to contact SFC Tricia Magreta at the Gladstone Armory (906) 448-6094 or [tricia.e.magreta.mil@army.mil](mailto:tricia.e.magreta.mil@army.mil). We are looking forward to host this year's Reunion. See you there!

*Good As Done!*

Alexander L. Sackmann  
CPT, EN, MIARNG  
Commander, 1432 EN CO (ESC)



# TAPS

*Day is done, gone the sun  
From the lake, from the hill.  
From the sky  
All is well, safely rest. God is nigh.*

*Thanks and praise for our days  
'neath the sun, 'neath the stars,  
'neath the sky.  
As we go, this we know. God is nigh.*



Name	Date Of Death	Unit(s)
BEARD, Tom, SSG(ret)	6 Sep 21	Det 1, HHC/1075th Maint
BENGRY, Elwood, SFC(ret)	8 Nov 21	Det 1, HHC/1075th Maint
BERGEY, Ron	6 Apr 21	HHC
BERGQUIST, Lawrence	18 Dec 21	Co C
BUTLER, Jerry SSG(ret)	9 Jul 21	Det 1, Co B
BYKKONEN, Bill, SFC(ret)	19 Jan 22	Co A
CARLSON, Bob, SFC(ret)	18 Oct 21	Co D
CARTER, Paul SFC(ret)	unk	Det 1, HHC/ 1075th MT Co
CHARTRE, Ray SSG(ret)	11 Mar 21	HHC/ 1075th MT Co
COMPTON, Coreen(Jon)	1 Feb 21	HHC
COSTELIC, Ronald CPT(ret)	8 Jul 20	Co A/Co B/HHC
DESIATTO, John	1 Dec 21	1431st En Co
DODGE, Roger	10 Apr 21	HHC
FREDRICKSON, Sonny SSG(ret)	10 Jul 21	Co B(-)
FRYE, Jack	8 Dec 20	Co B(Mqt)
GARCEAU, Carol(Fuzzy)	9 Aug 21	HHC
HAGER, Eve(Eric)	19 Mar 21	Det 1, HHC
JACHIMSKI, Annette(Ed)	4 Mar 21	HHC
KEMPPAINEN, Brian	21 Aug 21	Det 1, Co A/1431st
KOSKI, Alan(Newt)	4 Jan 22	Co A
LAMBERT, Sonny, SSG(ret)	5 Oct 21	Co C
LANCZY, Bela D.O., MAJ(ret)	30 Nov 21	HHC
LaRUE, Hubie, SSG(ret)	14 Jan 22	Det 1, Co A
MENDINI, Al SFC(ret)	20 Jul 21	Co D(-)
MOKSZYCKE, Alice(Wally)	28 Mar 21	Co C
NELSON, Maxine(Jack, LTC)	28 Dec 21	HHC/46th En Gp
<u>NICHOLA, Howard (WW II)</u>	<u>2 Jul 21</u>	<u>Co E, 107Regt/112th</u>

## Regt/H&S, 254th En Bn

PINI, Jim, SSG(ret)	8 Feb 22	Co A
POIRIER, Signi(Bill)	13 May 21	HHC
RAYMOND, Reginald	9 Oct 20	Det1, Co B
REINERT, Rob	12 Oct 19	Det 1, HHC
RICHER, Dale	12 Jul 21	Co C
SHELDON, Barb(Bill)	21 Jun 21	HHC
SMITH, Robert MSG(ret)	30 May 21	Co C, HHC
St. VINCENT, Douglas	12 Jul 21	Co D(-)
VERTANEN, Bill SFC(ret)	3 Oct 21	Det, 1, Co A
WHEELER, Mike, SFC(ret)	21 Nov 21	Det 1, Co B/1432nd En Co
WIEGELE, Bill, SFC(ret)	9 Aug 21	Co D
<u>WILLS, Dick (WW II)</u>	<u>29 Dec 21</u>	<u>Co D, 107 Reg/Co E, 112</u>

## Regt/Co B, 254 En Bn

### Association Information

1. Our internet web address is [www.107thengineers.org](http://www.107thengineers.org).
2. If you have an article, a picture, or whatever that you would like to see printed in the "Bull Sheet" please send them to the Ishpeming Armory address on the Bull Sheet masthead or e-mail me at [secretary@107thengineers.org](mailto:secretary@107thengineers.org)

### New Life Members

BRACCO, Greg, SSG(ret)	Calumet, MI
HUETER, Scott, SSG(ret)	Calumet, MI
KAY, Trevor, CPT	Marquette, MI
KOHTALA, Jesse, CPT(ret)	Marquette, MI
LESSARD, Lloyd, SFC(ret)	Gladstone, MI
SEXTON, Rob, CW3	Dewitt, MI
STONEHOUSE, Fred, LTC(ret)	Marquette, MI
TAMMELIN, Daryl, SGT(ret)	Republic, MI
TOUCHINSKI, Mike, MSG	Marquette, MI

Every year some of our members contribute donations to the Association to help with expenses. I hope I didn't miss anyone.

AUDETTE, Gerv,	Naples, FL
BARBER, Willy,	Marquette;
BEARD, Tom,	Marquette;
BEAUDRY, Bob,	Kingsford;
BECKMAN, Jim,	Marquette;
BESSNER, Todd,	Hancock;
BOHLINGER, Rick,	St. Clair Shores;
BUSSIERE, Don,	Ontonagon;
COMPTON, Jon,	Ishpeming;
CRONKRIGHT, Gary,	Iron River;
DANIS, Steve,	Calumet;
DENOO, Kerry,	Leesburg, FL;
DeVERNEY, Butch,	Midland;
DOUGOVITO, Jim,	L'Anse;
EHRHARDT, Fritz,	Vulcan;
ELLIOTT, John,	Champion;
FLORIANO, Joe,	Iron Mountain;
GILLAHAN, Dave,	Holt;
GRAHAM, Chris,	Ishpeming;
GROOP, Bob,	Crystal Falls;
HAAPALA, Gus,	Calumet;
HUETER, Scott,	Calumet;
JACOBSON, Jack,	Iron River;
JARVI, Joel,	Brooksville, FL;
JEANOTTE, Rob,	Hancock;
KESANEN, Fred,	Eagle Harbor;
KOLJONEN, Bucky,	Lac LaBelle;
KROT, Greg,	Indian River;
KUPARI, Clint,	Valparaiso, IN
LESSARD, Lloyd,	Gladstone;
LUETZOW, Bill,	Ishpeming;
MAKI, Dean,	Negaunee;
McNEILL, Mark,	Detroit;
OVER, Gene	Uccle, Belgium;
PETERSON, Brian,	Prescott, AZ;
PROULX, Justin,	Soo;
SCHMITT, William,	Norway;
SEXTON, Rob,	Dewitt;
SMALL, Marge,	Marquette;
SMITH, Bob,	Shalimar, FL;
STONEHOUSE, Fred,	Marquette;
VANDUSEN, John,	Kingsford;
WAGNER, Darrell,	Soo;
WESOLOSKI, Dave,	Menominee;

Who attended the 2021 reunion in the Soo:

Anderson Greg /Jane	Marquette MI
Beckman Jim/Andrea	Marquette MI
Bennett Arla	Sault Ste Marie MI
Bohlinger Rick	St Clair Shores MI
Bussiere Don/Dorothy	Ontonagon MI
Carlson Steve	Nisula MI
Dahlgren Eric/Sally	Munising MI
Dailey Jeremy/Ann	St Johns MI
Degrote Bud	Lowell MI
Denoo Kerry/Liz LaPointe	Leesburg FL
DeVerney Butch	Midland MI
Dougovito Jim/Linda	L'Anse MI
Ehrhardt Fritz/Mary Kay	Vulcan MI
Floriano Joe/Marilu	Iron Mountain MI
Floriano Mike/Debbie	Kingsford MI
Fontaine Fred/Arlene	Calumet MI
Fredrickson Jim/Diane	Livonia MI
Gillahan Dave	Holt MI
Groop Bob/Lois	Crystal Falls MI
Hager Bill/Kathy	Ishpeming MI
Hager Eric	Negaunee MI
Hendra John/Cheryl	Calumet MI
Houle Tim/Vanessa	Skanee MI
Hueter Scott/Paula	Hancock MI
Injasoulia Peter/Wilma	Grant MI
Jeannotte Rob/Michelle	Hancock MI
Johnson Idell/Jim Anderson	Marquette MI
Koljonen Bucky/Liisa	Mohawk MI
Krot Greg	Indian River MI
Kupari Clint	Valparaiso IN
McDaniel Doug/Tammy	Kingsford MI
McDonald Jerry/Judy	Sault Ste. Marie MI
McNeill Mark	Detroit MI
Monck Jeff/Kathryn	Barbeau MI
Murphy Dan	Negaunee MI
Myotte Bill/Colleen	Sault Ste Marie MI
Nora Perry/Jessi	Ishpeming MI
Perry Tom/Tonya	Ishpeming MI
Peterson Teresa	Iron Mountain MI
Plitz Walter/Carol	Sault Ste Marie MI
Proulx Justin	Sault Ste Marie MI
Ross Ron/Donna	Gladwin MI
Sullivan Jim	Nisula MI
Tebby Tim/Angela	Marquette MI
VanDusen John/Rebecca	Kingsford MI
Wagner Darrell/Sue	Sault Ste Marie MI
Witmer Scott/Laura	Dafter MI

Not on this list, did you register at the front desk???

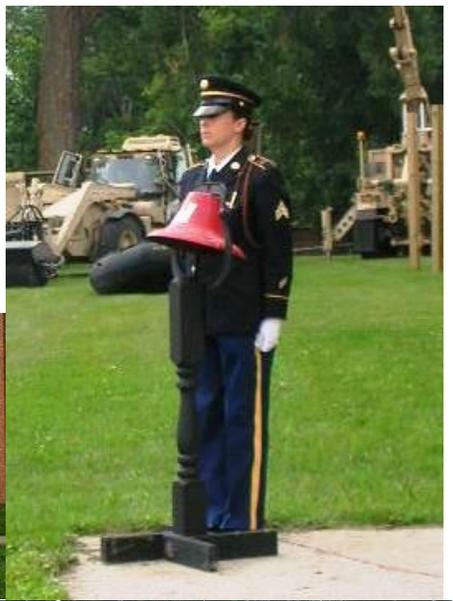
**Future Reunion Locations,** Here are the PROPOSED locations, subject to acceptance by the units and approval of the membership, for the next 3 years; 2023 Traverse City, 2024 Kingsford, 2025 Marquette. It is difficult to set locations too far in advance because we never know when one of our units will be mobilized or perform AT out of the state/country during the summer. There is always the possibility that an armory will be closed.

Highlights from the 2021 business meeting minutes at the Soo:

1. Lineage and Honors Committee: The purpose of this committee is to capture the activities and mobilizations of the battalion since September 11, 2001. We are soliciting volunteers to gather info and data about each of the different platoons and companies that deployed. If you want to help in this effort, please contact Tom Perry or Perry Nora.
2. The annual website fees total approximately \$250.00(prices keep going up). This includes the cost of the domain name(107thengineers.org), the editing program and website e-mail address.
3. The graphic design work to show all the shoulder patches of the organizations which the battalion units have served with in the Global War on Terror(GWOT) is still a goal but not making any progress.
4. Follow-up regarding the battalion plaque in the regimental room at the Fort Leonard Wood museum. DONE! MAJ Megan Breen and CPT Trevor Kay completed the design, casting and dedication at the FLW museum. \$3000 was appropriated for the project, but actual cost was \$2000. Thank you to those motivated Soldiers for following up and completing the mission. Good As Done!
5. Are we ever going to go to Traverse City for a reunion? After a lengthy discussion, it was agreed in principle that Traverse City was a probably a good nomination for the year 2023.
6. There was quite a discussion about a "White Paper" written by JFHQ recommending moving more of the 107<sup>th</sup> Engineer Bn force structure downstate, i.e. Traverse City. It was an overall consensus of the members present that the assumptions and recommendations in that letter were not in the best interest of the MIARNG OR 107<sup>th</sup> Engineer Bn.
7. The membership was reminded about the statewide engineer reunion at Camp Grayling the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in Sep 2021.
8. The Association membership extends a big thank you to the 1437<sup>th</sup> Engineer Co. for hosting an outstanding reunion.
9. Association Pledge recited.

**"Short Snorts"**

Random thoughts, musings and news about the reunion and Association in general, as they pop into the head of ye' ole editor: The year 2021 was a bad year for our WW II vets. Two of them got their wings and passed on to the big formation in the sky. Howard NICHOLA, age 105 of Dodgeville, MI and Dick WILLS, age 101 of Negaunee, MI passed on this year. As far as I know Bob McGUIRE of Centerville IA is still around. He is our last remaining WW II vet. I didn't hear from him this year, he must be at least 100 years old..... We had quite a few new members attend the reunion for the first time last year at the Soo. Hopefully that's a good sign for the future that our Association/reunion is still growing will continue to do so..... Meet one of our members, CW5(ret) Brian Peterson started his ARNG career in Co B(-) in 1969? Along the way he transferred to the CAARNG and retired there in 2012 as the CAARNG Command Chief Warrant Officer. The 107<sup>th</sup> influence is felt far and wide!..... Every year the Iron County National Guard Club makes a generous donation the Association. A lot/most of the guys in that club are also members of the Association.....As of the writing of this Bull Sheet, MAJ(ret) "J" Ed Jachimski is still around. I believe he is 93 or 94 years old. He is in an assisted living facility in Marquette.....



107<sup>th</sup> plaque, left center, in the Calumet Coliseum(former armory) lobby. Photo credit: Gene LaRochelle

107<sup>th</sup> ENGINEER ASSOCIATION  
Executive Committee for 2021-2022

President	CPT Alex Sackmann	1432 <sup>nd</sup> Engr Co.
Vice President	SFC Tricia Magreta	1432 <sup>nd</sup> Engr Co.
Secretary & Bull Sheet Editor	LTC (ret) Tom Perry	HQ/A/B, 107 <sup>th</sup> Eng Bn
Treasurer	SFC(ret) Perry Nora	HSC, 107 <sup>th</sup> Eng Bn
Public Relations Officer	CW5(ret) Joe Floriano	Co D/HHC 107 <sup>th</sup> Engr Bn
Historian	SFC John Peterson	HSC, 107 <sup>th</sup> Eng Bn
Chaplain	MSG(ret) Bill Hager	HHC, 107th Eng Bn
Permanent Director	LTC Lucas Lanczy	Cdr, 107 <sup>th</sup> Eng Bn
4 Year Director	SFC(ret) Eric Dahlgren	Co C, 107th Eng Bn
3 Year Director	SSG(ret) Dennis Cummings	Co C, 107th Eng Bn
2 Year Director	BG(ret) Pete Injasoulian	HQ, 107th Eng Bn/HQ, 46th Eng Gp
1 Year Director	MSG(ret) Joe Battisfore	HHC/1431st/Co A, 107th Eng Bn

There is limited space to park travel trailers, campers and tents at the armory. Call ahead to the armory to reserve a spot.

**Listing of local campgrounds:** <https://www.visitescanaba.com/tags/campgrounds>

**Motel/hotel information:** <https://www.visitescanaba.com/tags/lodging>



**IMPORTANT INFORMATION: To make or cancel a banquet reservation, please notify the individuals below:**

1. **Before 15 Jul 2022** mail the notice below to: 107<sup>th</sup> Engineer Association, 900 Palms Ave., Ishpeming, MI 49849-1064
2. **After 15 Jul 2022** Call SFC Tricia Magreta at the Gladstone Armory (906) 448-6094 or [tricia.e.magreta.mil@army.mil](mailto:tricia.e.magreta.mil@army.mil)

PLEASE RETURN THE SECTION BELOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, **WHETHER OR NOT** YOU PLAN ON ATTENDING THE REUNION, to ensure your contact information is correct. This will also help us a great deal in preparing for this year's reunion and keeping our membership records up to date.

-----CLIP AND SEND IN THE REGISTRATION INFORMATION BELOW / RETAIN THE TOP-----

1. I (will) or (will not) be present for the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Reunion of the 107<sup>th</sup> Engineer Association at Gladstone, MI.  
(circle your choice)
2. Reserve \_\_\_\_\_ place(s) for me at the banquet / dance on Saturday, 13 August 2022. My guest(s) for this event will be  
(how many)  
  
(names) \_\_\_\_\_.
3. *(Please check one)*  
\_\_\_\_My association dues of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$5.00 per year ) are enclosed for \_\_\_\_\_ years;  
*-or-* \_\_\_\_\_ (how many)  
  
\_\_\_\_My association lifetime membership dues of \$50.00 are enclosed.  
*-or-*  
\_\_\_\_I am a lifetime member.

*(Optional)*

\_\_\_\_Enclosed are \$ \_\_\_\_\_ towards printing and mailing expenses.

3. My name and address is \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. I joined the 107 at(city/unit) \_\_\_\_\_ in the year of \_\_\_\_\_

5. I left the unit in (year) \_\_\_\_\_ at (city/unit) \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please also update the following information:

6. My phone number is: \_\_\_\_\_.

7. My Email address is: \_\_\_\_\_.

8. For more info please check the Association web site at "[www.107thengineers.org](http://www.107thengineers.org)"