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Globalization on the Battlefield

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City Paratrooper Reported Killed At Arnhem

Lieutenant Richard Kresge Tice, 22-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Tice, of 1821 1/2 Cedar St., a member



LT. RICHARD K. TICE

Richard Tice was born in New Jersey and left his job as a race horse handler to enlist in the US Army. However, he was soon medically discharged for a punctured eardrum. Frustrated and wanting to contribute, he hitchhiked to Canada and enlisted in the Polish Army. He studied Polish and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant on March 15, 1944. Assigned to the 1st Polish Independent Airborne Brigade, he trained in Scotland and jumped into the Netherlands on the fifth day of Operation Market Garden. He was killed in action on September 22 when his position was overrun. Tice died as an American fighting under the Polish flag having been trained in Scotland and now rests in British care in Dutch soil in the Arnhem Oosterbeek War Cemetery. We record him as an isolated burial in our database.

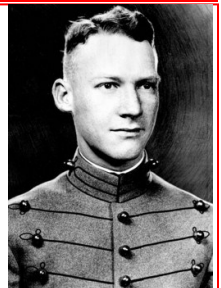
We are 15 years old this year and are proud of our progress. We have just entered our **30,000th** person in the database, so are dedicating this newsletter to stories of a few of those recent entries. We want to have a separate web page for every person honored on the memorials in our database and are well on our way to achieve that goal. Adding all these people pages means we are getting more and more visitors to our website. We are now averaging well over **1 million** hits per month, with a high in May of over **4.5 million** hits. Keeping the memory alive!

Canadians Fighting for US

Alexander Ramsey "Sandy" Nininger Jr.

Our database contains many stories of Americans fighting for the French Foreign Legion or the British or Canadian Armies or Air Forces. But that sort of thing was a two-way street. We recently added pages for the 154 names on the Canadian Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Windsor, Ontario, all of whom served in US forces in Vietnam. Canadian forces never fought there, but it is estimated that 20,000 Canadians enlisted in the US Armed Forces to fight with us.

Sandy Nininger was commissioned into the Infantry from the class of 1941 at West Point. He was assigned to the 57th US Infantry Regiment of the Philippine Scouts. His unit prepared defenses in Bataan early in the Japanese invasion of the Philippines. But when the Japanese launched their attack on Bataan, Nininger volunteered to join another company as his was not yet combat ready. In hand to hand fighting using his rifle and hand grenades, he advanced to destroy several enemy groups in foxholes and snipers. Though wounded three times he continued his lone attacks until he was killed. His body was later found with three dead enemy around him. He is the Army's first Medal of Honor recipient in WWII. He is buried in Arlington, recorded on the wall of the missing in the Manila American cemetery, and has been honored in multiple other ways, including West Point's Nininger Award for valor on the field of battle. We record him as he is honored on a plaque on the St Dominic Church in Abucay in the Philippines.



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