

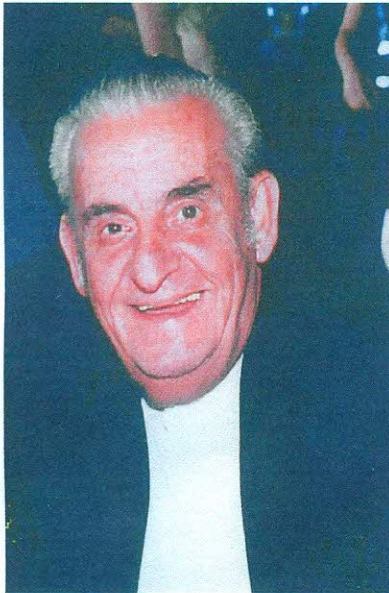


# Company I Poopsheet

Company I, 502 PIR, 101st Airborne Division, US Army

March 2013

**Wilfred Matte, Jr., 89,** passed away on



Wednesday, November 21, 2012 at the Jewish Nursing Home, Long-meadow, with his family holding his hands. He was born in New Bedford, MA to the late Wilfred and Philomena (Crevier) Matte, Sr. He was educated in the Springfield School System and attended Technical High School.

Wilfred was a decorated WWII veteran who proudly served his country in the U.S. Army as a Paratrooper in the 101st Airborne Division making several jumps including Normandy on D-Day. He also fought in the Battle of the Bulge. He received 2 Purple Hearts, Bronze Star and Medal of Good Conduct.

He worked for Pratt and Whitney for 41 years and then for Big Y for 15 years in East Longmeadow where he was a well-known bagger. He was an avid Red Sox fan, Bingo Player and a member of the Holy Name Men's Club.

He was predeceased by his loving wife of 57 years, Eva Rose (Barufaldi) Matte in 2003 and a sister, Mildred Rising in 2002. He leaves his loving daughter, Cindy Kennedy and her husband, Joe of East Longmeadow; and his 3 wonderful granddaughters, Kerah Henebery and her husband, Ryan of Mashpee, MA, Kristen and Kaila Kennedy both of Boston. Most important he leaves his family with many humorous memories. Wilfred's service was held the morning of November 27, 2012, at Forastiere Smith Funeral Home, East Longmeadow followed by a Liturgy

of Christian Burial in St. Michael's Church, East Longmeadow. A committal service with Military Honors followed in the Massachusetts Veterans' Memorial Cemetery Chapel, Agawam.

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Francis "Frank" Hyland, 71, of Fort Myers,



Florida, and Etlan, Virginia, passed away on Sunday, December 16, 2012, after a brief illness. Frank was the husband of Susan Lillyman Hyland. Susan and Frank have often attended the Snowbird Reunions with Company I 502 (Photo left) to honor the memory of her father, Frank Lillyman of Co. I 502 and the

Pathfinders, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne in WWII.

Frank was a graduate of the University of Maryland and the Defense Intelligence College, he served in the Army Security Agency and retired from the National Security Agency in 1998. Author of the book *Armenian Terrorism: The past, the present, the prospects*, Frank taught at the American Public University, Johns Hopkins University, and the Joint Military Intelligence College. He was a member of the Society of the Order of Founders and Patriots of America, having served as the Deputy Governor of the Virginia Society and had recently been elected as Society Genealogist.

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Wisdom from Will Rogers: "If you're riding ahead of the herd, take a look back every now and then to make sure it's still there."  
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