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# PFC Calvin Glenn Neish

**BIRTH** unknown

**DEATH** 28 Feb 1945

**CENOTAPH** [Honolulu Memorial](#) • Honolulu, Honolulu County, Hawaii, USA

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## Calvin G Neish in the 1930 United States Federal Census

Name:	Calvin G Neish																				
Birth Year:	abt 1925																				
Gender:	Male																				
Race:	White																				
Birthplace:	Virginia																				
Marital Status:	Single																				
Relation to Head of House:	Son																				
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Map of Home:	<a href="#">View Map</a>																				
Street address:	Oronoco St																				
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Original data: United States of America, Bureau of the Census. *Fifteenth Census of the United States, 1930*. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1930. T626, 2,667 rolls.

### Description

The 1930 Census contains records for approximately 123 million Americans. The census gives us a glimpse into the lives of Americans in 1930, and contains information about a household's family members and occupants including: birthplaces, occupations, immigration, citizenship, and military service. The names of those listed in the census are linked to actual images of the 1930 Census. [Learn more...](#)

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County \_\_\_\_\_ Ward of city \_\_\_\_\_ Block No. \_\_\_\_\_

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—BUREAU OF THE CENSUS  
FIFTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1930  
POPULATION SCHEDULE

Enumeration District No. 101-8  
Supervisor's District No. 2

Sheet No. 2988  
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Township or other division of county \_\_\_\_\_  
(Insert proper name and also name of town, village, or borough. See instructions.)

Unincorporated place \_\_\_\_\_  
(Insert name of unincorporated place having approximately 50 inhabitants or more. See instructions.)

Institution \_\_\_\_\_  
(Insert name of institution, if any, and indicate the line on which the entries are made. See instructions.)

Enumerated by me on April 13, 1930, Carlton B. Padgett, Enumerator.

LINE	PLACE OF ABODE	NAME	RELATION	HOME DATA	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION	EDUCATION	PLACE OF BIRTH			MOTHER TONGUE OR NATIVE LANGUAGE OF FOREIGN BORN	CITIZENSHIP, ETC.	OCCUPATION AND INDUSTRY		EMPLOYMENT	VETERANS
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52				Aunnie E	Wife	H	7	W	38	24	32	Virg	Virg	Virg	Virg
53				Calvin R	Son		7	M	8	8	10	Virg	Virg	Virg	Virg
54				Andrew R	Son		7	M	24	24	24	Virg	Virg	Virg	Virg
55				Shepherd Milledale	Wife	H	7	W	19	8	10	Virg	Virg	Virg	Virg
56				Raymond R	Son		7	M	17	8	10	Virg	Virg	Virg	Virg
57				Blanche V	Wife	H	7	W	16	8	10	Virg	Virg	Virg	Virg
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62				Robert W	Son		7	M	16	8	10	Virg	Virg	Virg	Virg
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66	577	256	285	Lynch Edith L	Head	R 220	70	M	48	24	24	Virg	Virg	Virg	Virg
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## Calvin G Neish in the 1940 United States Federal Census

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Estimated birth year:	abt 1924														
Gender:	Male														
Race:	White														
Birthplace:	Virginia														
Marital Status:	Single														
Relation to Head of House:	Son														
Home in 1940:	Lee, Fairfax, Virginia														
Map of Home in 1940:	<a href="#">View Map</a>														
Street:	Road 641 (Between 636 & 640)														
Inferred Residence in 1935:	Lee, Fairfax, Virginia														
Residence in 1935:	Same House														
Sheet Number:	5A														
Attended School or College:	Yes														
Highest Grade Completed:	High School, 1st year														
Weeks Worked in 1939:	0														
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### Description

The 1940 United States Federal Census is the largest census released to date and the most recent census available for public access. The census gives us a glimpse into the lives of Americans in 1940, with details about a household's occupants that include birthplaces, occupations, education, citizenship, and income. [Learn more...](#)

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POPULATION SCHEDULE

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### Enumerate

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Rauline Moore  
Rosemary Morian  
Herbert Much  
Hugh Murray



Ruby Myers  
Calvin Neish  
James Norfolk  
Annabelle Oliver



Calvin Oliver  
Ernest Orndorff  
Francis Parrish  
Daniel Peyron

*Doris Powell*

Alma Posey  
Doris Powell  
Marion Proctor  
Patricia Ray



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Mary Evelyn Reed  
Anna Rhodes  
Barbara Riggles  
Chester Robey



Dorothy Robey  
James Robey  
Sarah Robey  
Roy Rose



James Ross  
Mary Ellen Ross  
Harold Rubright  
Rollins Russell



Sammie Savia  
Sarah Seale  
Mary Louise Sebree  
John Seymour



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# MEMORIAL DAY 2016

## Sydenstricker United Methodist Church Remembers

*This booklet recognizes and honors members, their relatives, and friends who were killed in action or died in the line of military duty since our church was founded in 1909. The memorial stories are arranged in order of their dates of death.*

**Memorial Day is a day of remembrance for those who have died in military service to our nation.** Over two dozen cities and towns lay claim to being the birthplace of Memorial Day. There is also evidence that organized women's groups in the South were decorating graves before the end of the Civil War: a hymn published in 1867, "Kneel Where Our Loves are Sleeping" by Nella L. Sweet, carried the dedication "To The Ladies of the South who are Decorating the Graves of the Confederate Dead" (Source: Duke University's *Historic American Sheet Music, 1850-1920*). While Waterloo, New York, was officially declared the birthplace of Memorial Day by President Lyndon Johnson in May 1966, it's difficult to prove conclusively the origins of the day. It is more likely that it had many separate beginnings; each of those towns and every planned or spontaneous gathering of people to honor the war dead in the 1860s tapped into the general human need to honor our dead; each contributed honorably to the growing movement that culminated in General John A. Logan, commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, giving his official proclamation in 1868. It is not important who was the very first, what is important is that Memorial Day was established. Memorial Day is not about division. It is about reconciliation; it is about coming together to honor those who gave their all.

On May 5, 1868, Logan declared in General Order No. 11 that *The 30th of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet churchyard in the land. In this observance no form of ceremony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting services and testimonials of respect as circumstances may permit.*

Originally called Decoration Day, the term "Memorial Day" was not used until 1882. It was not declared the official name by Federal law until 1967. A law enacted by the US Congress on June 28, 1968 moved Memorial Day from its traditional May 30 date to the last Monday in May. (Source: Wikipedia)

Greater love has no one than this,  
that he lay down his life for his friends.  
--John 15:13

## **Private William Archie Otis** **Killed in Action November 17, 1944**



Born July 19, 1925, **William Archie Otis** was the son of **Darrell** and **Ruby Young Otis**. His grandfather, **Archie Young**, was a charter member of Sydenstricker Church. The entire family, including Archie's siblings **Richard, Carl, Irvin, Herbert, Joyce, Doris**, and **Stanley** worshipped at Sydenstricker. Archie walked to class at the Red School House for his first three years of elementary school. For some years afterward, he walked to Orndorff's Store at the intersection of Hooes and Gambrill Roads to board the bus for school in Burke. After attending Lorton Elementary School, he graduated from Mount Vernon High School in June 1943.

Archie was employed at Fort Belvoir until he enlisted in the Army in October 1943. After basic training at Camp Barkley, Texas, he had further training at Fort Meade, Maryland, and Camp Reynolds, Pennsylvania, before being deployed to the European Theater of Operations. According to the return address on a letter he sent home, he was a medic assigned to Company A, 3rd Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment, 4th Infantry Division.

Pvt Otis landed on Utah Beach on June 6, 1944 at H-Hour plus 75 minutes. His battalion was awarded Presidential Unit Citations and battle streamers for exemplary service in action during

engagements at St. Gillis-Marigny and Carentan.

In November-December 1944, the 22nd was fighting in the Hurtgen Forest south of the Roer River dams. According to Archie's family, he was providing medical treatment to an injured soldier when he was mortally wounded at age 19 by German machine gun fire. He was posthumously awarded the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star.

The fighting had been particularly fierce; in 18 days at the Hurtgen Forest, the 22nd Infantry Regiment suffered 2,678 casualties out of a full strength complement of about 3,000 men. The 22nd was later awarded a Presidential Unit Citation and battle streamer for its performance in the Hurtgen Forest.

After the war, Archie's remains were interred in the US Military Cemetery at Henri-Chappelle, Belgium. Later, his parents requested that his remains be returned to the US. Pvt Otis is now buried at National Memorial Park in Falls Church, Virginia.

Archie's sister **Joyce** was only six years old when he was killed. She remembers seeing soldiers deliver the telegram reporting his death; her aunt, **Clara Hall**, later told Joyce that her mother was so overcome with grief that she went to bed for a month. The Otis family eventually received a letter from Archie dated the day he died in which he wrote, "I'm sending money for you to get Joyce a Christmas present." Joyce doesn't remember what Christmas was like in 1944 but assumes it was a dismal event.

She also recalls that there was a prisoner of war camp for German soldiers near Pohick Episcopal Church. Once, a German POW escaped. Joyce's father saw evidence that he had slept in their barn and even snuck into their house while they were asleep and stolen some food. He captured the soldier one day and told him that if he stayed away from their house, he wouldn't report him to the authorities. He told the soldier that his son was in Germany and he hoped someone there would treat him kindly, too. After that, the soldier didn't bother them again.

## **Private First Class Calvin Glenn Neish** **Died of Wounds on February 28, 1945**

**Calvin Glenn Neish**, born July 14, 1924, was the son of **William** and **Annie Elizabeth Hall Shepherd Neish**. **Annie** was the daughter of **John Q.** and **Emeline Hall**; Calvin was therefore the nephew of Pvt Caleb Walton Hall.



Calvin enlisted in the US Marine Corps on July 23, 1942, and was assigned to Company K, 3rd Battalion, 23rd Marine Regiment, 4th Marine Division. After intensive training, the 4th Marines deployed to the Pacific on January 13, 1944. According to a Marine history, "In 13 short months [the Division] made four major assault landings: Roi-Namur, Saipan, Tinian, and Iwo Jima, suffering over 17,000 casualties. It was awarded two Presidential Unit Citations and a Navy Unit Commendation [before being] deactivated 28 November 1945."

On June 15, 1944, during the Marine landing on Saipan, Calvin was wounded in the left shin and ankle. He was treated aboard USS LEON (APA-48), probably the same ship from which he had disembarked earlier that day. The *Alexandria Gazette* later reported that these wounds were caused by shrapnel from a Japanese-thrown grenade.

Calvin recovered and went back in action. At about 9 a.m. on February 19, 1945, he and the 23rd Marines landed on Iwo Jima. An account of the battle reports, "The 23rd Marines landed over Yellow Beach and sustained

the brunt of the first round of Japanese combined arms fire. These troops crossed the second terrace only to be confronted by two huge concrete pillboxes, still lethal despite all the pounding [by ships and planes]. Overcoming these positions proved costly in casualties and time... The regiment clawed its way several hundred yards toward [their objective at] the eastern edge of the airstrip." At 10:39 a.m., the 23rd Marines radioed the flagship, "Taking heavy casualties and can't move for the moment. Mortars killing us."

A week later, the fighting was still desperate. On February 26, a man in Calvin's battalion single-handedly destroyed sixteen enemy positions and killed about 75 Japanese soldiers, later being awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for his actions.

The next day, on February 27, 1945, Calvin was wounded again, this time in the right side.

He was brought aboard USS SANBORN (APA-193) for medical treatment. On the 28th, the SANBORN set sail for the Northern Mariana Islands, carrying 232 casualties to shore-based hospitals there. PFC Neish died that day and was buried at sea at latitude 24°00' N., longitude 141°05' E.

His name is on the Tablets of the Missing at Honolulu Memorial Cemetery in Hawaii.

US soldiers and Marines suffered enormous casualties in the 36 days of combat on Iwo Jima. According to the Marines, "The cost was staggering. The assault units of the corps—Marines and organic Navy personnel—sustained 24,053 casualties, by far the highest single-action losses in Marine Corps history. Of these a total of 6,140 died. Roughly one Marine or corpsman became a casualty for every three who landed on Iwo Jima." A subsequent analysis by military historian Dr. Norman Cooper revealed that "Nearly seven hundred Americans gave their lives for every square mile. For every plot of ground the size of a football field, an average of more than one American and five Japanese were killed and five Americans wounded."

The family later planted an evergreen bush on the right side of the Chapel's front door in Calvin's memory. The bush has since been moved to the corner of the chapel lot near the schoolhouse.

### **Captain James F. "Jimmy" Adamouski Killed in Action on April 2, 2003**



**James F. "Jimmy" Adamouski** became a neighbor of **Bill and Dianna Evans** in 1986 at the age of 12. He was a part of their lives as he attended Key Intermediate School and Robert E. Lee High School, participating in sports activities attended by Bill and Dianna, and then attending and graduating from the US Military Academy at West Point in 1995.

During the next eight years of active duty in the Army, Jimmy became a Black Hawk helicopter pilot, spent a three-year tour of duty in Germany with two six-month deployments to Bosnia and one to Kosovo. He attended the Aviation Advanced Course after Germany and then was stationed in Savannah, Georgia, from where he was deployed for six months to Bosnia for the third time.