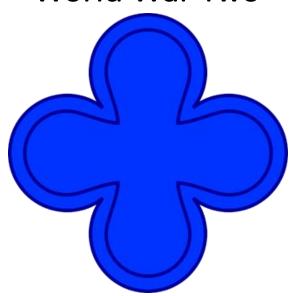


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John Caccavallo, he served as a Private First Class in the Army during World War Two and was assigned to Co. G, 351st Infantry Regiment, 88th Infantry Division.

Born in Chicago in 1922, he enlisted at the age of 20, on December 15, 1942. He was killed in action on October 3, 1944 and initially buried in the U.S. Military Cemetery in Castelfiorentino, Italy. In July 1949, his mother had him brought back to the US and buried at Mount Carmel Cemetery in Hillside, IL. This binder is a tribute to him and all other Veterans that have served our great nation.

We are proud to be able to add this collection to our archives.

On December 10, 2022 museum President, Lorenzo Fiorentino acquired this collection of artifacts, from Mr. Anthony Pope as a donation.

Additional information was researched and provided by Mrs. Louise Bartnicki and Mr. Michael Bacarella. To view this collection, and many other artifacts in the Chicagoland Combined Veterans Museum &Library please schedule an appointment by emailing <a href="mailto:lorenzoafiorentino@yahoo.com">lorenzoafiorentino@yahoo.com</a>

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REGISTRAR'S REPORT



John's unit photo, Company K, 410<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment (below). On the left is a close-up, with an arrow pointing to John.





#### **351st Infantry Regiment**

The 351st Infantry Regiment was ordered into active military service 15 July 1942 and reorganized at Camp Gruber, Oklahoma using a cadre provided by the 9th Infantry Division.

The Regiment participated in the Louisiana Maneuvers in June through August 1943. They departed Camp Patrick Henry on 4 November 1943 through the Hampton Roads Port of Embarkation as Shipment 8629-H. In July 1943, the Regiment was organized with 3,256 Officers and enlisted men.

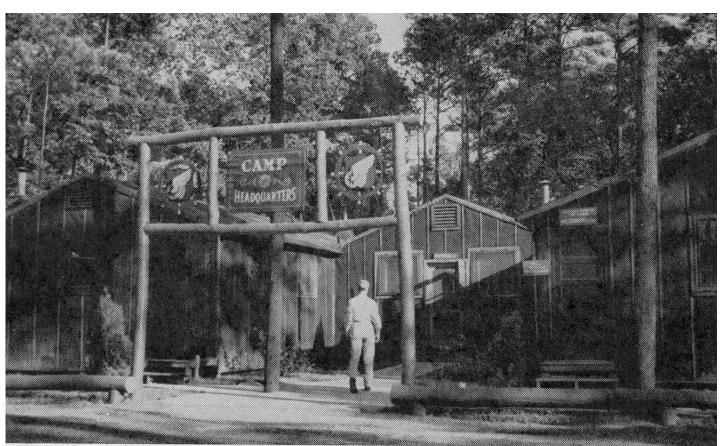
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Private First Class John Caccavallo was one of the soldiers killed in action.

Training at Camp Gruber, Oklahoma, April 1943







No. 718

HEADQUARTERS, CAMP PATRICK HENRY, VA.



Hampton Roads Port of Embarkation, Virginia

Firing mortars into enemy positions

## 351st In Italy



Easter mass near Monturno.



#### Lest we Forget



#### THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO ALL WHO SHALL SEE THESE PRESENTS, GREETING:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT
THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY VESTED IN HIM BY CONGRESS
HAS AWARDED THE

#### PURPLE HEART

ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON AT NEWBURGH, NEW YORK, AUGUST 7, 1782 TO

Private First Class John Carcavallo, A.S.No. 36715700,

FOR MILITARY MERIT AND FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED
IN ACTION

resulting in his death October 3, 1944.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND IN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON
THIS 22nd DAY OF November 19 44

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SECRETARY OF WAR



IN GRATEFUL MEMORY OF

Private Virst Class John Caccavallo, A.S.No. 36715700,

WHO DIED IN THE SERVICE OF HIS COUNTRY AT

in the North African Area, October 3, 1944.

HE STANDS IN THE UNBROKEN LINE OF PATRIOTS WHO HAVE DARED TO DIE

THAT FREEDOM MIGHT LIVE, AND GROW, AND INCREASE ITS BLESSINGS.

FREEDOM LIVES, AND THROUGH IT, HE LIVES-

IN A WAY THAT HUMBLES THE UNDERTAKINGS OF MOST MEN







WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

31 October 1945

Mrs. Caroline Napolitano 1842 South Drake Avenue Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Napolitano:

The War Department is most desirous that you be furnished the burial location of your son, the late Private First Class John Caccavallo, A.S.W. 36715700.

The records of this office disclose that his remains are interred in the U. S. Willtary Cemetery, Castelfiorentino, Italy, plot 0, row 45, grave 1979.

This cemetery is located approximately nineteen miles southwest of Florence, Italy, and is under the constant care and supervision of United States military personnel.

Please accept my sincere sympathy in the loss of your son.

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El Bl GRECKRY
Lieutenant General
The Quartermaster General





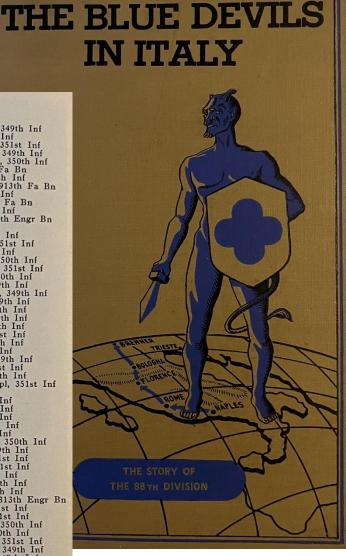
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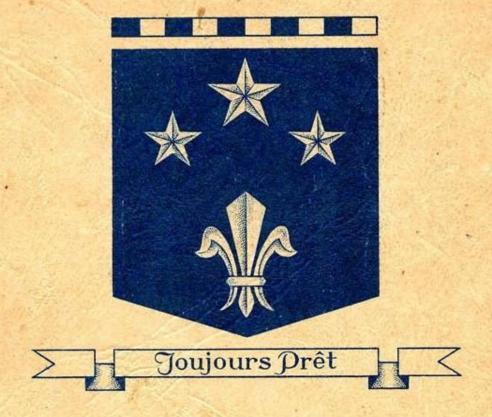
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Bennett, Frederick J., T/Sgt, 351st Inf
Bennett, Paul R., Pyt, 349th Inf
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Berns, William N., Jr., Pyt, 351st Inf
Berry, Charlie W., Pyt, 350th Inf
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### PFC John Caccavallo's Awards and Burial



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CACCAVALLO-Pfc. John Caccavallo, U.S.A.
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JOHN CACCAVALLO
ILLINOIS
PFC 351 INF 88 DIV
WORLD WAR II
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