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# Memorial Plaque Dedication

June 23, 2001 11:00 AM

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Admiral Nimitz Museum and The Nation Museum of the Pacific War

Fredericksburg, Texas



### Memorial Plaque Inscription

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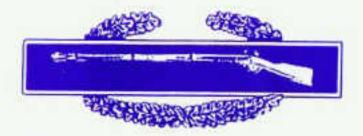
LEYTE 1944



OKINAWA 1945

IN MEMORY OF OUR FALLEN COMRADES OF THE 96th Infantry Division, U.S. Army

KILLED ON LEYTE, PHILIPPINES AND OKINAWA, JAPAN AND TO ALL DEADEYES WHO FOUGHT WITH VALOR AND DISTINCTION TO DEFEAT IMPERIAL JAPAN.



SERVED UNDER ADMIRAL NIMITZ IN PACIFIC OCEAN FORCES DURING OKINAWAN CAMPAIGN

PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION FOR OKINAWA

DEDICATED JUNE 23, 2001 BY 96<sup>TH</sup> INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION

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### Memorial Plaque Dedication

#### Program

Call to Order
Donald Dencker

Historian, 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association
Co. L., 382<sup>th</sup> Infantry

Sound Attention (Please Stand) Bill Smallwood, Bugler, Fredericksburg, TX

Post the Colors

National Anthem

Pledge of Allegiance George McMahan 796th Ordnance Company

Invocation
Dr. Ronald L. Calboun
Heights Baptist Church, Texas City, TX

Introduction and Greetings Helen McDonald, Assistant Director National Museum of the Pacific War

> Dedication Remarks Donald Dencker

Dedication Keynote Address
James Causey, President, 96th Infantry Division Association
Co. C, 381th Infantry

Unveiling of Plaque and Placing of Werath Helen McDonald Fletcher R, Veach, Jr. Cannon Co., 382<sup>ad</sup> Infantry

> Taps Bill Smallwood, Bugler

Retire the Colors

Benediction Dr. R.L. Calhoun Dismissal Donald Dencker

### **Presidential Unit Citation Certificate**



### DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT
THE PRESIDENT
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
HAS AWARDED THE

### PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION

TO THE

### 96TH INFANTRY DIVISION

FOR EXTRAORDINARY HEROISM IN MILITARY OPERATIONS AGAINST AN ARMED ENEMY.

1<sup>57</sup> APRIL 1945 TO 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 1945

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND IN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON

THE TOTAL DAY OF MANAGEY 2001