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Awards and Decorations Branch

Mr. Michael R. Dennis  
11517 NE 269th Street  
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Dear Mr. Dennis:

This is in response to your letter concerning your desire to obtain any award that your late father, Mr. James H. Dennis may be entitled to for his service in World War II as well as historical information about his service on board the USAT Rosebank.

Based upon a review of the documentation submitted and available to this office, we were able to verify his entitlement to the World War II Victory Medal as well as the Honorable Service Lapel Button.

We are also unable to issue a DD Form 215 (Correction to Report of Separation) as the DD Form 214 (Report of Separation) issued for your father has missing information needed to generate the DD Form 215. We have, however, forwarded a Memorandum for Record reflecting his entitlement to these awards to the National Personnel Records Center for inclusion in his Army Military Human resource Record. This Memorandum is an official document and may be used for the same purposes as a DD Form 215.

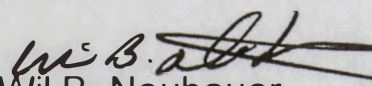
The regulatory policy governing the Awards and Decorations Branch is very explicit with regards to eligibility for issuance of awards and decorations. Awards may only be issued to the Veteran or to the Veteran's primary next of kin in the following order: un-remarried spouse, eldest surviving child, father or mother, eldest surviving sibling, and eldest surviving grandchild.

In this regard, we were unable to determine whether you are Mr. Dennis's primary next of kin. In order to receive these medals, we require documentation reflecting your status as the primary next of kin, as described above. If you are not the primary next of kin, you may provide us with a privacy release signed by the primary next of kin, authorizing you to receive these medals on their behalf. We have enclosed a sample privacy release form.

Additionally, if you wish to learn more about your father's service on board the USAT Rosebank, you will need to contact the United States Army Center of Military History. You may write their office at: U.S. Army Center of Military History, 102 4th Avenue, Building 35, Fort McNair, District of Columbia, 20319-5060. You may also email them at: [usarmy.mcnair.cmh.mbx.answers@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.mcnair.cmh.mbx.answers@mail.mil).

It is an honor to verify these awards in recognition of your father's faithful and dedicated service to our Nation during a time of great need.

Sincerely,

  
Wil B. Neubauer  
Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Army  
Chief, Awards and Decorations Branch

Enclosures