

Bataan Death March

A Soldier's Story

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Sources mentioned in the Clayton Library Friends, Genealogy Face2Face presentation on March 3, 2022, are provided below.

Clayton Library Center for Genealogical Research

In Houston, Texas, the Clayton Library Center for Genealogical Research is where my genealogy research began. It is a valued resource for genealogists.

<https://houstonlibrary.org/clayton-library-center-for-genealogical-research-7393>

Clayton Library provides this free Getting Started Packet for those new to researching their ancestors.

[https://houstonlibrary.org/images/pdfs/houstonlibrary/Clayton/Website Documents/Getting Started Packet.pdf](https://houstonlibrary.org/images/pdfs/houstonlibrary/Clayton/Website_Documents/Getting_Started_Packet.pdf).

Clayton Library Donated-Duplicate Book Sale

<https://claytonlibraryfriends.org/books>

The National Archives: Access to Archival Databases (AAD)

Helpful starting points, include:

<https://www.archives.gov/research/military/genealogy>

<https://www.archives.gov/research/genealogy/catalog-guide>

<https://www.archives.gov/research/military/veterans/online>

<https://aad.archives.gov/aad/>

<https://www.archives.gov/digitization/digitized-by-partners> or download the spreadsheet at <https://www.archives.gov/files/digitization/listdigitizedpartnerdata.xlsx>

Reading & Understanding the Separation Document (aka: DD-214)

<https://www.80thdivision.com/pdfs/ReadingUnderstandingWWIIDischargeDocument.pdf>

WWII History

<https://www.west-point.org/family/japanese-pow/>

<https://www.army.mil/asianpacificamericans/history/>

<https://history.army.mil/brochures/pi/PI.htm>

WWII Military Hospitals Zone of the Interior (ZI)

The ZI initials appear in the U.S. WWII Hospital Admission Card Files for POWs. This provides an explanation and list of Military hospitals.

<https://www.med-dept.com/articles/ww2-military-hospitals-zone-of-interior/>

Additional Resources

Often referred to on National Archive records as Provisional Tank Group rosters from the Bataan Commemorative Research Project. These sites link to primary sources. Please note, some links may be broken due to changes on these sites.

www.bataanproject.com

<http://www.mansell.com/pow-index.html>

Research a Veteran

These are a few museums and resources who provide helpful info on how to research a veteran.

<https://www.nationalww2museum.org/war/research-veteran>

<https://digitalarchive.pacificwarmuseum.org/digital/>

<https://www.pacificwarmuseum.org/>

National POW/MIA Recognition Day Tool Kit

The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency provides a fact sheet, flag history, rules page and how to set-up a POW/MIA Missing Man Honors Table with sample social media posts and speeches.

<https://www.dpaa.mil/Portals/85/Documents/POW-MIA%20Recognition%20Day/POW-MIA%20Recognition%20Day%20Toolkit.pdf?ver=729KVMosagHbosgiKyQyhg%3d%3d>

Also, on this website is information on the Prisoner of War Medal

<https://www.dpaa.mil/Resources/Prisoner-of-War-Medal/>

Recommended Books

Caldwell, Donald L. 2019. *Thunder on Bataan: The First American Tank Battles of World War II*. Lanham, MD, Stackpole Books. 298 pp.

Miller, Col. E. B. 2018. *Bataan Uncensored: The True Story of The Death March and the Subsequent Horrors of the Japanese Prison Camps*. 1st ed. Hart Publications, c1949. Kindle. 365 pp.