



# 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment



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## LOWELL E. HEID



### Picnic Is Given For Pvt. Lowell E. Heid, Home From Ft. Benning

Lena, Ill., Aug. 1.—Thirty-two relatives and friends enjoyed a picnic supper Wednesday evening at the Fred Heid home, northeast of j Lena, the affair being in honor of their son, Pvt. Lowell E. Held, who is home on furlough from Fort Benning, Ga. He completed four weeks of jump training, during which he made five jumps from an airplane in flight, the last being a tactical jump at night, involving a combat problem on landing, winning for him his wings and boots.

Parachute specialist training is given to qualified men in communication,



### Lowell E. Heid

STOCKTON --- Lowell E. Heid, 81, of Stockton died Friday, June 8, 2007 at FHN Memorial Hospital in Freeport.

He was born Oct 11, 1925 in Willow, the second son of Frederick and Clara (Brunner) Heid.

Mr. Heid was employed as an auto body repair man in Rockford and Moline

Lowell served in World War II as a paratrooper in the 101st Airborne in England.

He is survived by one daughter, Susan (Nicholas) Stengel of Derwood, Md.; One son Stephan Heid, of Waco, Texas; one sister, Marilyn Sowers of Loves Park; three brothers, Alan (Betty) Heid of Machesney Park, Loyal (Gloria) Heid, of Rockford and Gordon (Patricia) Heid, of Mission, Texas; and numerous nieces, nephews and

Pvt Heid was transferred from Hq 82nd Airborne Division to Service Company, 508th PIR on 29 September 1944.

He was subsequently transferred to Company D on 8 December 1944.

Pvt Heid was promoted to Pc on 20 March 1945.



### Pfc Heid was

transferred to the 506th PIR on 13 October 1945.

Pfc Heid arrived in New York, NY with Co B, 504th PIR aboard SS Queen Mary from Southampton, England on 3 January 1946.

A news article in The Daily Times, Davenport, IA, 03 Jun 1963, Mon, Page 2, listed Lowell and fiancé Helen Rennacker, both of Moline, as they applied for a marriage license.

communication,  
demolition  
riggers and  
sewing machine  
maintenance,  
vital skills for  
airborne troops  
as well as to  
parachute  
jumpers.

Pvt. Heid  
reports Thursday  
to Fort Benning,  
to await orders.  
Eldon L. Heid,  
the eldest son, is  
stationed in the  
Hawaiian Islands

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cousins.

He was preceded  
in death by his  
parents and brother  
Eldon.

Visitation will  
begin at 1 p.m. at  
Hermann Funeral  
Home.

The funeral  
service will follow  
at 2 p.m. Monday  
at the funeral home  
with Rev. Kathleen  
Brinkmeier  
officiating.

Interment will be in  
Lena Burial Park in  
Lena.

In lieu of flowers  
a memorial fund  
has been  
established for  
Stockton  
Ambulance.

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