

Research Findings Regarding Donald Arthur Smith

by Charles A. Smith (cousin)

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Full name: Donald Arthur Smith
Born: 2 April 1925
Entered Service: 10 July 1942 at Minneapolis, Minnesota
Service Number: 416748
Branch of Service: Marine Corps
Attached to: 552nd Platoon in San Diego 1942
Married: Janice Carlson, June 5, 1944 at
1660 E 1st Street, Santa Ana, Orange County California
Trained as: Aviation Mechanic
Trained at: Probably Camp Pendleton at Oceanside, Ca or
El Toro at Santa Ana, Ca.
Rank in 1945: Staff Sergeant
Died/ buried: Died 1 Feb 1945, buried 3 Feb 1945 Leyte, PI
Died trying to rescue a pilot from a crashed plane
Buried first at: Dulag (Leyte, Philippines) grave # 804
Reburied at: Highland Home Cemetery, information on page 65
Block 4, Row E1/2, Grave 7 Section C Division C
Handled by Daly-Peterson-Lisko Funeral Home
May 18, 1949
Obituary: Jamestown Sun May 16-19, 1945

The following information is from Highland Home Cemetery, Jamestown ND

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The following information is from Bob Hanson, Commissioner, ND Dept. of Veteran Affairs:

SMITH, DONALD A. SN 416 748; born Jamestown, NDak 2 Apr 25; resident LaMoure County NDak; entered USMC Mpls, Minn 10 July 42; served Asiatic Pacific Theater; died in service 1 Feb 45 Leyte, PI; SSG; buried in Block 4, Row E1/2, Grave7, Section C, Division C, Highland Home Cemetery, Jamestown, NDak