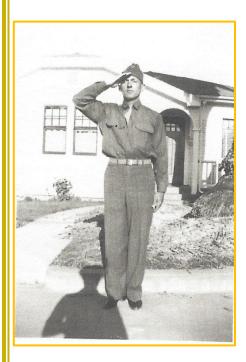
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Patriot of the Month

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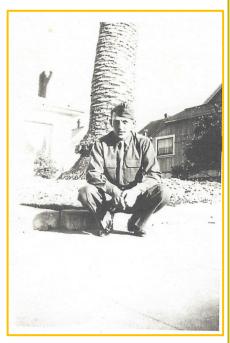




William L. Hase

United States Army

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William Hase entered the United States Army in 1943. His duty stations included Fort Knox, Kentucky; Camp Campbell, Kentucky; and Fort Ord, California. His specialty was Amphibious Tractor Driver. He participated in the invasion of Leyte one of the Philippine Islands and Okinawa Island in the south Pacific. He served on Mindanao and Maui as a backup. He was a radio operator and commander of Amphibious Tractor responsible for hauling troops and supplies to shore from Landing Ship Tanks (LST) out in the ocean.

William recalled that two days prior to landing on Okinawa a horrible storm was raging, wind, rain, and lightning. They were afraid we would have trouble-but-Sunday morning April 1st; the day of landing the sea was calm as glass. He attributed this change to divine intervention.

William was awarded the Philippine Liberation Ribbon w/2 Bronze Stars for the above campaigns and a Good Conduct Medal. Additional awards include Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Campaign Ribbon w/2 overseas bars, Victory Ribbon, and Ribbon for Carbine and M1 Rifle. He was separated from active duty in 1946.

After leaving the service, William was the general manager of Ready-Mix Concrete plants. He and his wife have been married over 45 years. He has four sons and two stepchildren. They are also grandparents and great grandparents.

William is a life member of the American Legion, a member of the Lions Club for over 50 years, and a member of the Masonic Order for over 50 years. He has attended church for over 90 years and has participated by serving as church Board President, Trustee, Elder, and Deacon. He has also been a member of his local American Association of Retired Persons for many years, his local Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors, and TPA. William is a board member of the Handi-Shop for Disabled, local Hospital Auxiliary where he has installed Life Lines for handicapped.
Mexico-Missouri Daughters are honored to recognize William Hase as Patriot of the Month and extend their gratitude for his patriotic service and commitment to our great nation.