Sales List #6

Federal Decorations and Campaign Medals

US Army Decorations,

US Army Singles, Purple Heart Medals USA

Posthumous Army Air Corps

Early WWII Purple Heart Medal, edge numbered 188452. The Medal is Hand Engraved:” JOHN H. ABEL”, (This Purple Heart medal is a variant where the Heart behind Washington is from a short lived painted contract),
2nd Lt., John H. Abel, Serial Number 0693913, was a member of the 92nd Bomb Group Heavy, 326nd Bomb Squadron, and was the Co Pilot
Air Medal GO # 214, Hqs 8th Air Force, dated March 27, 1944, (Location Unknown)
He was from Ferriday La.
He was reported MIA / later KIA on 23 March 1944 in the vicinity of Munster Germany, on mission to Hamm Germany, 5 Air Craft lost. Price $350.00
Purple Heart Medal, #148260, in case, with lapel Pin and a ribbon Bar. This medal has the older enameled purple heart inserted in the front of the medal. The medal is also machine engraved "John C. Briggs" on the reverse in one line high on the reverse typical of late WWII machine engraving.

John C. Briggs had the Serial Number 31256034, and enlisted Nov 25 1942, at Fort Devens, Mass., and fought in Europe. $200.00
Purple Heart Medal, #210966, in case, with lapel pin and a ribbon bar. This medal is beautifully hand engraved "Pvt. Robert A. Webb" on the reverse in two lines. This medal has the lacquer painted Purple Heart in the front. This was an effort to speed up medal production from the older enameled version. The lacquer version did not survive very well and the Army went to the plastic Purple Heart insert used by the US Navy. $200.00
Purple Heart Medal in case with lapel pin and one cut of ribbon. This medal is hand engraved "Reo T. Hiskey" on one line. This is classic Philadelphia Engraving for most KIAs and MIAs.

Reo T. Hiskey, born on 03/24/1905, and died on 09/07/1974. During World War II he served in the US Army as a Private First Class in the Pacific Theatre where he was wounded. He is buried in Plot: 17/8/8, on 09/09/1974 in the Leavenworth National Cemetery, Leavenworth County, Kansas. This medal needs further research as I sense there is a real combat story behind this medal. $225.00
Purple Heart Medal in case with lapel pin and a ribbon bar. This medal has a plastic heart inserted on the obverse and is machine engraved "Stanley T. Zych" on one line high on the reverse typical of late WWII machine engraving.

Stanley T. Zych had the Serial Number 36615929. He was a Private First Class, was awarded the Bronze Star Medal, as well as the Purple Heart Medal. He enlisted 10/9/42, and was discharged on 6/7/45. He was a member of Company. D, 41st Armored Infantry, 2nd Armored Division. He was born on 12/21/1913 and died on 11/15/1960 in Brooklyn, New York. $200.00
Purple Heart Medal in case with lapel pin and a ribbon bar. This medal has a plastic heart inserted on the obverse and is machine engraved "LeRoy E. Raber" on one line high on the reverse typical of late WWII machine engraving.

LeRoy E. Raber, had Service Number 13098931, and Enlisted from Philadelphia, Pa. on 5 Aug 42 in the Coast Artillery Corps. $175.00
WWII era Purple Heart Medal in case with lapel pin and a ribbon bar. This medal has a plastic heart inserted on the obverse and is machine engraved "Ray A Lewis" very small on three lines in the middle of the reverse, typical of a scarce late WWII machine engraving style also used for US Army Good Conduct Medals.

Ray A. Lewis, had Service Number 33856902, and Enlisted from Richmond, Virginia. He was born on 6 June 1925, Enlisted on 17 July 1944, and died on 16 July 2006. $175.00
Vietnam era Purple Heart Medal in case with lapel pin and a ribbon bar. This medal has a plastic heart inserted on the obverse and is machine engraved "Jerry E. Kirsch" very small, on three lines, in the middle of the reverse. This is similar to late WWII machine engraving style also used for US Army Good Conduct Medals.

Sergeant Jerry E. Kirsch served from March 1958 to January 15 1968. He served in Vietnam where he was a Tactical Wire Specialist. $150.00
Vietnam era Purple Heart Medal in case with lapel pin and a ribbon bar. This medal has a plastic heart inserted on the obverse and is machine engraved "Robert R. Probanz" high, on one line, in the middle of the reverse. Probanz was an E-4 who entered the US Army in March of 1968, and was discharged April 13, 1971. He served in Vietnam as an infantryman where he was wounded. $175.00
World War II Silver Star Medal, nicely privately engraved "R.A Hurley" on the reverse, with sterling clutch back CIB, officers infantry insignia, officers US insignia and Captain's bars. This partial group appears to be WWII or Korea. Worth of further research. $185.00
World War II Bronze Star Medal Group attributed to S Sgt Jay A Sanders, 37322084, from Moorhead Minn. The group consists of a Bronze Star Medal unnamed, cased, an Army Good Conduct Medal unnamed, World War II Victory Medal, a ribbon bar for the Bronze Star Medal, Good Conduct Medal, & ENEME Campaign Medal with 3 battle stars. Identification comes from two, unusual 8 sided stamped dog tags "Jay A Sanders, 37322084, June E Sanders, 424 4th St So., Moorhead Minn, A (blood type) P Protestant". Also in the medal box are: Enlisted Mans Medical Insignia, Officers medical insignia, and a pair of Staff Sergeants stripes.

This is a good identified (by dog tags) WWII group to a soldier that saw some combat in Europe. $200.00
World War II Purple Heart Medal group attributed Corporal Ernest J. Febbraio, Medical Corps, Service Number 31313645, in case with lapel pin and a ribbon bar. This medal has a plastic heart inserted on the obverse and the reverse is engraved. Other medals in the box include WWII period Good Conduct Medal, American Campaign Medal, European Campaign Medal, Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal, WWII Army Occupation Medal, and an honorable discharge lapel button. There are a couple of the campaign medal lose bars, along with a 3 ribbon bar with the European Campaign with 3 battle stars, WWII Victory Medal, and the Army Reserve 10 year Service Medal. His identification comes from his War Department picture ID Card dated 13 February 1945.

Corporal Ernest J. Febbraio, SN 31313645, was born on 15 June 1922, 5' 7", brown hair and eyes. This is a good identified WWII group to a wounded soldier that saw some combat in Europe before being shifted to Asia for the Invasion of Japan. $185.00
Purple Heart Group to Charles W. Ammel, 5th Maryland Infantry, National Guard Veteran of Spanish American War in 5th Maryland Vol Inf and WW I, HQS Co., 115th Inf
Purple Heart Medal (missing) named
Spanish War Service Medal # 8891
World War I Victory, Bars Meuse Argonne, Defensive Sector
French Grand Guerre Medal
French Verdun medal
29th Division Association Medal
Set of 6 ribbons for above
Pin with ribbons for 5th MD Veteran Corps
Discharge for Span Am War as Musician Co F., 5th MD Oct 1898
Rare detailed complete diary of his WWI Service in pencil, describes head wound and loss of eye
Slip with bunk location on USS South Carolina, Red Cross card announcing return at Norfolk Va March 18 1919
Red Wound Stripe, original cap with dark U.S. 29th Div. Assn Plaque
$275.00
World War I Victory Medal Group, Battle Bars: St. Mihiel, Meuse Argonne, and Defensive Sector, with original flattened white box of issue, issue sheet with the 3 above bars, and mailer box addressed to Joseph Guimond. With the group there are a set of 11 French/ German made cards in English with names and addresses of friends and squad members including 2 for Pot Alphonse Guimond, one from A Co., rest from B Company, 358th Infantry, 90th Div Army of Occupation, AEF, Gerolstein (Eifel) Germany, Home address, and names of 2 above battle bars. Alphonse's Draft Registration cards and set of three dog tags for brothers Alphonse, Franco, and Joseph Guimond. All 3 are buried together in the Ft. Snelling National Cemetery, South Minneapolis Minn. This is a very rare WW I group with connections to three brothers. $250.00
Army Air Corps / Air Force Groups
Framed World War II Air Corps medal group from Staff Sergeant Eli Jaffe, a B-25 Radio Gunner in the 379th Bomb Squadron, 310th Bomb Group, 12th Air Force Air Medal "Patch" Award Document GO 115 31 July 1944, 12th AF, Signed by MG Commanding

Air Medal with 1 silver (5) oak cluster(s), Air Medal GO # 115 HQS 12th Air Force dated 31 July 1944, 1st Oak Leaf Cluster GO # 143 dated 30 Aug 1944, 2nd OLC GO # 167 dated 12 Sept 1944, 3rd OLC GO # 176 dated 27 Sept 1944, 4th OLC GO # 189 dated 9 Oct 1944, and 5th OLC GO # 192 dated 12 Oct 1944 (C?). Also in the frame are: Good Conduct Medal, American Defense Medal, American Campaign Medal, European North Africa Middle East Campaign Medal with 3 Bronze Battle Stars, WWII Victory Medal, and Distinguished Unit Citation with OLC

Uniform with Sergeant First Class stripes, 12th AF Combat Patch, Air Corps Patch, Ribbons for above.
Eli Jaffe, born Dec 16, 1921, died Apr. 2007, service USAF, T Sgt., buried Arlington National
cemetery on May 16, 2007 at 8-R,6. The medal group is of recent replacement medals, but both
the Air Medal Document and the Uniform are WWII period. $250.00

US Merchant Marine

Large framed medal and ribbon group to unknown WWII - Korea to Career Merchant Marine
Sailor from New York State
Merchant Marine Combat Ribbon Bar
The Merchant Marine Defense Medal and Ribbon Bar
Atlantic War Zone Medal and Ribbon Bar
Pacific War Zone Medal and Ribbon Bar
Mediterranean Middle East War Zone Medal and Ribbon Bar
WWII Merchant Marine Victory Medal
Korean War Service Medal and Ribbon Bar
Philippine Liberation Medal and Ribbon Bar
Philippine Independence Medal
New York State Conspicuous Service Cross (Blank Reverse)
American Defense Medal
American Campaign Medal
European Mediterranean Middle East Campaign Medal
Pacific Campaign Medal (Philippine made)
World War II Victory Medal (Philippine made)
Set of Ribbon Bars mounted and Pins
Merchant Marine Combat Ribbon Bar
The Merchant Marine Defense Ribbon Bar
New York State Conspicuous Service Cross Ribbon Bar
Atlantic War Zone Ribbon Bar
Pacific War Zone Ribbon Bar
Mediterranean Middle East War Zone Ribbon Bar
WWII Merchant Marine Victory Medal Ribbon Bar
Korean War Service Medal and Ribbon Bar
Philippine Liberation Medal and Ribbon Bar (Philippine made)
American Defense Ribbon Bar
American Campaign Ribbon Bar
European Mediterranean Middle East Campaign Ribbon
Pacific Campaign Ribbon (Philippine made)
World War II Victory Ribbon (Philippine made)
Philippine Independence Ribbon (Philippine made)
Philippine Unit Citation (Philippine made in enamel)
Pins for Merchant Marine Service in WWII and British Battle of the Atlantic 50th Anniversary Veteran BA-93
This is a very rare combination that was put together after the Merchant Marine Veterans of WWII were granted Veteran Status. Greco Made NY CSC tracks for that period.
Price For Group $250.00

**Award and Society Documents**

Documents:
Thanks of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Abraham R T Simpson, US Navy, dated, 1869, Signed by the Governor in 1870.

Simpson enlisted at age 20 listing his occupation as Machinist on Nov 8 1861 at Boston for 3 years as a 1st Class Fireman. He served on the Receiving Ship Ohio, USS Sagamore, and USS Hendrick Hudson. Discharged Nov. 8, 1863 as a 1st Class Fireman.

The USS Sagamore was a Unadilla-class gunboat built on behalf of the United States Navy for service during the American Civil War. She was outfitted as a gunboat and assigned to the Union blockade of the Confederate States of America. Sagamore was very active during the war, and served the Union both as a patrol ship and a bombardment vessel. On 26 November 1861, Sagamore received orders to report to Flag Officer William McKean for duty as part of the East Gulf Blockading Squadron which patrolled the waters off the coasts of Florida, Alabama, and Mississippi. Sagamore's first encounter with the enemy came at Apalachicola, Florida. On 3 April 1862, armed boat crews from Sagamore and USS Mercedita captured the city without resistance. On 11 September, a landing party from Sagamore destroyed the salt works, which could produce 200 bushels a day, at St. Andrews Bay, Florida. Sagamore next captured the blockade-running English schooner By George off Indian River, Florida on 1 December, with a cargo of coffee and sugar. In January 1863, Sagamore captured Avenger, Julia, and destroyed the sloop Elizabeth. Next she captured the sloop Enterprise on 8 March 1863, and the sloop New York on 26 April. On 28 July, boats from Sagamore and USS Para attacked New Smyrna, Florida. After shelling the town, Union forces captured two schooners; caused the Confederate forces to destroy several other vessels, some of which were loaded with cotton and ready to sail; and burned large quantities of cotton on shore. Following the attack at New Smyrna, Sagamore returned to her coastal duties. On 8 August, Sagamore captured the sloops Clara Louise, Southern Rights, Shot, and Ann.

Hendrick Hudson was built as Florida in 1859 at Greenpoint, New York. She was taken into the Confederate States Navy in 1862 as CSS Florida. Hendrick Hudson was captured by USS Pursuit while attempting to run the blockade at St. Andrews Bay, Florida on 6 April 1862. She was taken to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania for adjudication, where she was condemned and purchased by the United States Department of the Navy from the prize court on 20 September 1862. Renamed Hendrick Hudson, she commissioned 30 December 1862 at Philadelphia, Acting Master John E. Giddings commanding. Assigned to the East Gulf Blockading Squadron, Hendrick Hudson sailed to Hampton Roads, Virginia, arriving 3 January 1863, and from there proceeded to her blockading station off East Pass, St. George's Sound, Florida. On station 1 February, Hendrick Hudson began her long months of arduous blockade duty, working to shut off commerce through the multitude of small inlets and passes of the Florida coast.

She remained off St. George's Sound until late August 1863, capturing schooner Margaret on 1 February and schooner Teresa on 16 April. She then retired to Boston, Massachusetts for repairs and refitting, returning to a new station off the mouth of the Suwannee River on 28 December.
The Farragut Veteran Association of Philadelphia Pa. Awards Reverend C H Rorer Honorary Membership in the Farragut Veterans Association of Philadelphia, (11” X 16”) Document signed by the Secretary and the President. Framed document has a few water stains and cracked glass mounted in an old frame. $60.00
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War ornate printed Charter Document (20" X 15 5/8") for the Frank Bartlett Camp # 11 Department of Connecticut located at Bridgeport. Includes the names of the 31 Founders of this Camp including a son of namesake, official seal, dated 8 December 1895 signed by the National Commander in Chief. (This is a certified true copy of the lost original Charter issued in December of 1942) In period wooden Frame. Local carters of this type are quite rare. It appears that the original charter was lost or destroyed. $85.00
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, ornate printed Charter Document (20" X 16") for the New York Department (State Level). Includes the names of the 10 Founders of this high level Post, official seal, dated July 1893 signed by Department the National President. In modern wooden Frame. Local carters of this type are quite rare. When the local organization is dissolved the Charter is turned in and destroyed. If reformed, a new charter is always issued.

$95.00
National Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, ornate printed Charter Document (21" X 16 1/4") for the National Women's Auxiliary of the New York Department (State Level). Includes the names of the 14 Founders of this high level Post, official seal, dated July 1992 signed by Department the National President. In original period wooden Frame. Local carters of this type are quite rare. When the local organization is dissolved the Charter is turned in and destroyed. If reformed, a new charter is always issued.
National Auxiliary United Spanish War Veterans, ornate printed Charter Document (24" X 18") for the Women's Auxiliary of the General Henry W Lawton Men's Post 59, in Brooklyn New York City, Auxiliary Post 21. Includes the names of the 24 Founders of this Post, official seal, dated 18 July 1922 signed by the National Commander. In original period wooden Frame. Local carters of this type are quite rare. When the post is dissolved the Charter is turned in and destroyed. If reformed, a new charter is always issued. $95.00
The President of the United States of America has awarded the Certificate of Appreciation to

in grateful recognition of uncompensated services patriotically rendered his country in the administration of the Selective Service System for the period of one year.

Franklin Roosevelt

The President of the United States of America has awarded the Certificate of Appreciation to

in grateful recognition of uncompensated services patriotically rendered his country in the administration of the Selective Service System for the period of two years.

Franklin Roosevelt
WWII Home Front document collection appointing in the name of the President of the United States, Mr. G. H. Whitesel, a Board member of the Grant County Local Board No. 1, West Virginia, given 17 October 1940. Stamped and sealed by the Selective Service System. With this document there are 4 other Presidential Appreciation Documents with 1 - 4 year stripes to Mr. G. H. Whitesel for one year two years, three years, and four years service respectively, each with Franklin D. Roosevelt and Lewis B Hershey signatures (pre printed in ink or secretarial). Rarely is a collection of these Selective Service documents found this complete. $150.00
War Assets Administration

ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR REAL PROPERTY (Zone 6)

Robert Dowling

Is hereby appointed a member of the above Advisory Council, who shall report to the Zone Administrator for instructions.

Sept. 16, 1917

Public Service Award of Merit
Presented by the Civil Service Leader to
Robert M. Dowling

for outstanding contributions to the operation of government.

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ORDRE NATIONAL DE LA LEGION D'HONNEUR

Honneur

Patrit

M. Robert M. Dowling

24, Rue de la Paix, Paris, France

29, December, 1957

[Signature]
Robert W. Dowling Collection of award documents. WWII Home Front type appointment type document dated 1947, from the War Assets Administration Advisory Council for Real Property Zone 1, a Public Service Award of Merit presented by the Civil Service Leader to Dowling for Outstanding Contributions the Operation of Government, an Award Document for Knight of the French Legion of Honor dated 1955, and a portrait photo of Robert W. Dowling.

BIOGRAPHY: Robert W. Dowling

Dowling College in Oakdale, New York, became an independent college in 1968, due to a generous donation made to the college by Robert W. Dowling, a New York City real estate developer with a passion for the arts and philanthropy.

Dowling was born on September 9, 1895, in New York City. He was the eldest son of Robert Emmet Dowling, a wealthy real estate magnate. Dowling did not attend college—he was “more interested in sports than books”—and at age 20, became the first person to swim around Manhattan Island.¹

At the start of World War I, Dowling enlisted in the Army and joined the Columbia University Unit of the Balloon Training Corps. He later did “special service” for the Navy, developing a technique in which swimmers could be used to tow mines into enemy harbors. It was an inventive idea that was not, however, put into practice until World War II.²

After his discharge in 1919, Dowling returned to New York and entered the real estate business. He earned a solid reputation while working for several companies, and only became involved with his father’s firm, City Investing Company, after his father’s death in 1943.³ He retired from the company in 1972 after serving as president and, eventually, chairman of the board.⁴

Dowling was instrumental in the planning and design of noteworthy residential New York City developments, such
as Parkchester, Stuyvesant Town, and Peter Cooper Village. Dowling favored “tall, slender buildings on spacious grounds, with every apartment sunny and open, all done in good taste…” He applied this same aesthetic to other buildings as well, transforming numerous corporate and research institutions into pleasant, light-filled “campuses.” Dowling’s real estate activities led to hands-on involvement in the arts. City Investing purchased and renovated several midtown theatres, and Dowling eventually became a producer for many notable Broadway shows and motion pictures. In 1950, he was appointed chairman for the fund-raising committee of the American National Theatre and Academy. As chairman of ANTA, Dowling visited Western Europe, Czechoslovakia, and Poland to “get acquainted with what European countries wanted in the way of United States entertainment…and what they had to export to these shores.” In 1958, he traveled to Moscow and met with Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev to discuss “the exchange of United States and Soviet artists.” In 1959, President Dwight Eisenhower tapped Dowling to head the Arts Advisory Committee of the National Cultural Center in Washington. Dowling proposed the design of the center, which later became the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. As a successful businessman, Dowling, was a member of “64 civic, cultural, educational and professional organizations.” Most significantly, he served as national president of the National Urban League (1950–1956), a group that advocated for equal economic opportunity for African Americans. He was a member of the National Conference of Christians and Jews and director of Boy Scouts of America. He chaired benefit committees for several organizations, including the Children’s Village and Spence-Chapin Adoption Service. He served on the boards of many prominent businesses, such as the Waldorf-Astoria Corporation, R.H. Macy & Co., and Emigrant Savings Bank. He was also an early advocate for legalized off-track betting. Dowling received a great deal of recognition for his civic and philanthropic work. In 1961, President John F. Kennedy cited Dowling as a man whose “‘dynamic dedication to all that is healthy in man and society is an inspiration.’” Dowling also received an honorary degree from Adelphi University. A friendship with Adelphi’s dean, Dr. Allyn T. Robinson, eventually led to Dowling’s interest in Adelphi’s Oakdale campus. In 1968, Dowling provided Adelphi-Suffolk College with an endowment of over $3 million. The grant allowed the college to become an independent institution, which was renamed in Dowling’s honor in September 1968. Dowling spent most of his life in Manhattan and was married three times: first, to Ethel Robinson in 1920, whom he divorced in 1931. Dowling then married Alice Bevier Hall in 1934; the couple had a daughter, Ruth Alice. This marriage ended in divorce in 1968, and that same year he married Audrey A. Reber. Dowling remained active in the civic and philanthropic fields until his death on August 28, 1973. $150.00
US Army Distinguished Service Medal Type II document awarded to Major General George W. Van Deusen, as the Post Commander of FT. Dix, NJ and Chief of the Signal School for the duration of WWII. His DSM was awarded for the period of January 1941 through January of 1945, and awarded by the War Department GO # 14 on or near 19 February 1946. He was also a recipient of the Legion of Merit by War Department GO # 97 (1945). The document has been laminated very professionally on a great looking piece of wood and has a gold border around it. There are two photos of him, one as a Colonel, and the other a color one of his painting and a bronze Plaque remembering his service to the Signal Corps. There is a 2 page copy of his biography that focuses on his schools and duties as an instructor.

**Major General George L. Van Deusen**

(Then) Brigadier General George L. Van Deusen became the eleventh Commanding Officer of Fort Monmouth in August 1941. Van Deusen was born in Passaic, New Jersey, in February 1888. He graduated from the United States Military Academy in June 1909 and was appointed a Second Lieutenant of Infantry. While he later became a Coast Artillery Corps Officer, his first assignment with the Signal Corps came when he commanded the 105th Signal Battalion at Camp Sevier, South Carolina, in 1917. He served in France with the 30th Division in 1918. Subsequent short tours of duty with the Signal Corps in the Office of the Chief Signal Officer followed. Van Deusen transferred from the Coast Artillery to the Signal Corps in July 1920 and came to Fort Monmouth, then Camp Vail, for the first time in June 1921 as Assistant Commandant of the Signal School. Van Deusen returned to Fort Monmouth for various tours of duty in 1925, 1937 and 1940. He was assigned to command the new Signal Corps Replacement Training Center in January 1941, as a Colonel. He became a Brigadier General in April 1941, and assumed command of Fort Monmouth that August. He concurrently served as commandant of the Signal Corps School from October 1941 to September 1942.

When the Eastern Signal Corps Training Center (ESCTC) was established at Fort Monmouth, Van Deusen became the first Commanding General of the Center in October 1942. He was promoted to the rank of Major General in May 1944 and served as Commanding General of ESCTC until December of that year. The Center had a peak strength of
30,000 personnel. Major General Van Deusen became the Chief of Engineering and Technical Service in the Office of the Chief Signal Officer in Washington in January 1945. He retired from the Army on 31 August 1946 and died 12 January 1977. $200.00