



Warren David Gehman
Chief Warrant Officer 2 U.S. Army
14 Apr 1939 – 7 September 1969

Warren was born on 27 March 1918 in Lower Macungie Township, Pennsylvania. He was the fourth of twelve children born to **Paul Clarence Gehman** (7 November 1891 – 20 June 1970) and **Anna M. Weaver** (c. 1890 – 1942). He attended grade school at the one-room Fogel Schoolhouse on Route 100 from 1924 to 1932. He then went to work as a Cabinetmaker at Trexler Lumber Company in Allentown, Pennsylvania, before enlisting in the Army in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on 14 April 1939. He was first assigned to Ft. Monmouth, New Jersey, where he received training in the Quartermaster Corps. In June 1939, he was sent to Hawaii where he served with E Company, 11th Quartermaster Regiment, until 23 June 1941. He was then transferred back to the States where he served in the 185th Quartermaster Company as a Warehouse Foreman until 21 September 1943. He then left for the China-Burma-India Theater where he served in Burma and India until 12 May 1945. He returned once again to the States and was discharged from the Army on 1 June 1945. He returned home to work again as a Cabinetmaker at Trexler Lumber, but after about five months he reenlisted in the Army on 26 October 1945 and became a career soldier, eventually serving over 20 years on active duty. Upon reenlistment, Warren was assigned to the 1311th Quartermaster Company at Raritan Arsenal in Edison, New Jersey, until 17 December 1951 except for the six-month period of February to August 1946 when he was assigned as Chief, Stock Record Section, at the Army Ordnance School in Aberdeen, Maryland. For his service at Aberdeen, Warren was awarded the Army Commendation Medal. While at Raritan Arsenal, Warren was promoted to Sergeant 1/C. On 17 December 1951, Warren accepted a temporary appointment to the rank of Warrant Officer-2 with the designation of Ordnance Supply Officer. He was then sent to Germany where he served as a Supply Officer for two years at Nuremberg and six years at Pattonville with the European Occupation Forces. In March 1961 he returned to the States, retired from active duty at Camp Kilmer, New Jersey, on 31 March 1961, and joined the Army Reserves. He served in the Army Reserves until 6 September 1969 as a Sergeant 1/C. Sometime during his active duty, while living in New Jersey, Warren earned his high school diploma and studied Business Management at College for two years. After he left active duty, Warren remained in the Raritan area and worked successively for the U.S. Department of Labor Job Corps and Cascade Pools in Edison, New Jersey, and for Baxter Healthcare Laboratories at Raritan Center, Edison, New Jersey. Warren retired in 1984 and he and his wife left Edison to live in Brunson, South Carolina. Warren married **Verna Anna Cressman** (September 1925 – 18 February 2004) on 5 September 1943. They had six children: **Anna Mae**, **Betty Lou**, **Gene Ray**, **Rose Mary**, **Nancy Lee**, and **Robert Lee**. Warren died on 9 December 2000 at St. Joseph's/Candler Health System in Savannah, Georgia, and is buried in Beaufort National Cemetery in Beaufort, South Carolina, alongside Verna. Two of Warren's brothers, **Paul Clarence Jr.** and **Homer D.**, also served in the Army: Homer served during World War II and Paul Jr. served right after the war.