





Kenneth Morris Miller Sergeant (T) U.S. Army 12 December 1952 – 12 September 1954



2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Division



2<sup>nd</sup> Armored Division

Kenneth was born at home on 11 March 1932 in Wescosville, Pennsylvania, where he attended grade school. Beginning at the age of 9, he worked for Howard Boyd of Wescosville, initially helping to pick up milk cans from farms in Lehigh, Berks, and Lancaster Counties and delivering them to dairies. He graduated from Emmaus High School in Emmaus, Pennsylvania, in 1950. After graduating from high school, he worked for Kuhns and Anthony Paving Company, also in Wescosville, until he entered the Army. Kenneth was drafted as a Private in the Army on 12 December 1952 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and was sent to Fort Meade, Maryland, for basic training. After completing basic training, he was assigned to the Infantry and ordered to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Armored Division at Fort Hood, Texas, where he served as a Machine Gunner. In May 1953, Kenneth left for Korea, where he was assigned to Company E, 9th Infantry "Manchu" Regiment, 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry "Indianhead" Division. The 9<sup>th</sup> Infantry had been fighting in Korea since 31 July 1950. Kenneth joined up with the Regiment in time to participate in the battle for Pork Chop Hill on 14 and 15 June 1953. After that, they moved to the sector of the Allied line known as the "Boomerang" where they were located during negotiations for and the signing of the cease-fire pact on 27 July 1953. While cease-fire negotiations were underway, the Chinese forces executed a mass attack on 18 July 1953, but they were repulsed. After the cease-fire, Kenneth remained with his unit until he returned to the States for discharge. He was released from active duty as a Sergeant (T) on 12 September 1954 at Fort Meade, and assigned to the Army Reserves (2<sup>nd</sup> Army area) until 24 January 1961. Kenneth was awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge, the National Defense Service Medal, Korean Service Medal (w/1 bronze star), the United Nations Service Medal, and the Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation, Kenneth returned home to Wescosville, and resumed driving truck for Kuhns and Anthony for about a year, after which he worked as a warehouse-man for numerous carpet installers in the area until 1986. He also worked for Howard Boyd on weekends driving a tanker truck hauling milk to Lehigh Valley Dairy plants in Allentown, Lansdale, and Schuylkill Haven until the Lehigh Valley Dairy plants closed in the 1970s. In 1986, Kenneth was employed in the Lower Macungie Township Public Works Department where he worked for 19 years before retiring in 2005. Kenneth married Jane Elizabeth Bailey on 14 June 1958 in Alburtis, Pennsylvania. They made their permanent residence in Wescosville. Kenneth is a member of St. Paul's United Church of Christ in Trexlertown, Pennsylvania, and a life member of Wescosville Fire Company. He retired from the Wescosville Fire Department after serving 55 years as Engineer of Engine 12. He was also a member of the Freemasons at Lehigh Blue Lodge No. 326 in Trexlertown. Kenneth's parents were Marvin Milton Miller (5 December 1910 – 3 October 2005) and Bertha Kohler (28 February 1907 – 2 November 1960).