



12th Field Artillery Regiment



2nd Infantry Division

Charles Henry Schantzenbach
Private First Class U.S. Army
6 February 1946 – 12 August 1947

Charles was born on 2 December 1927 in Emmaus, Pennsylvania, where he attended Central Lincoln School from 1932 to 1940, and Jefferson High School from 1941 to 1945. While he was attending high school, Charles worked as a Shipping Clerk at Walcraft Manufacturing Company in Emmaus. He was drafted into the Army as a Private on 6 February 1946 while living in Emmaus with his parents, and was sent to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he received basic training and artillery training on the 105mm howitzer. In 1946 he was assigned as a Radio Operator and Truck Driver to Battery A, 12th Field Artillery Regiment (155mm), 2nd Infantry (“Indian Head”) Division, at Fort Lewis near Tacoma, Washington, where he underwent land and amphibious training with the Division. He served at Fort Lewis until he was discharged there



155mm Howitzer

as a Private First Class on 12 August 1947. After Charles returned home to Emmaus, he was employed at the Macungie Shoe Factory in Macungie, Pennsylvania, where he worked as a Tongue Cutter for a year, and then joined Traylor Engineering in 1948, which was later sold to Fuller Company. He worked there an Assembler until his retirement in 1989. Charles married **Roberta May Marsteller** (born 21 December 1927) on 10 July 1948 at Western Salisbury Reformed Church. Initially, he and Roberta lived in Emmaus. In 1953 they moved to Lower Macungie Township on Lower Macungie Road, where they settled. Charles and Roberta raised a son **Scott** and two daughters, **Sandra** and **Susan**. Charles’ parents were **Charles Schantzenbach** (10 April 1887 – 23 November 1966) and **Stella Ruth Stahler** (13 June 1893 – 8 December 1983).

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