

Notes for Bernard Chantome KYROUAC:

I have many fond memories of my uncle Bernie but one that sticks out in my mind was when I wanted to buy a Cadillac Eldorado in 1972. The dealer told me that I would need a co-signer. I thought...who would be willing to do this; take a chance on me when I was just starting my life. I asked my uncle Bernie and he didn't hesitate to help me out. The part that sticks out most about that memory was the salesman telling me that I was approved "and with a co-signer like him, we'll sell you the dealership if you'd like." I am really glad Kimberly got the opportunity to meet him last year. Another fond memory was when we left, Kimberly gave him a hug and and he gave her a kiss...she said "no, like the French do" meaning on both cheeks but he thought she meant something different and was close to blushing. We had a good laugh about that. I will miss you, Uncle B. Say "Hi" to everyone who is already up there from me. Skip and Kimberly Groeneveld Dec 4, 2010 New Smyrna Beach, FL

From the Wednesday, December 1, 2010 edition of the Chicago Suburban Daily Herald:

Bernard C. Kyrouac of Carol Stream Bernard C. Kyrouac, 88, passed away peacefully with his family on Nov. 29, 2010. He was the beloved husband of Ellen Kyrouac; loving father of Diane (Ron) Falete and Dennis (Sharon) Kyrouac; dear grandfather of six and great-grandfather of four; and fond brother of Ronald Dale (Karen) Kyrouac. He was a World War II veteran and POW. He was past president of Associated Retail Stores. Visitation is 3 to 8 p.m. Thursday, at Williams-Kampp Funeral Home, 430 E. Roosevelt Road, Wheaton, IL 60187. Interment will be private in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood, Ill. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice. For information, 630-668-0016 or www.williams-kampp.com. World War II Prisoners of War, 1941-1946: Name:Bernard C Kyrouac Race:White Residence State:Illinois Report Date:22 Feb 1944 Latest Report Date:Jun 1945 Grade:Second Lieutenant or Nurse or Dietitian or Physical therapy aide Grade Notes:Second Lieutenant or Ensign Service Branch:Army Arm or Service:Air Corps Arm or Service Code:Air Corps Organization Type:Heavy Bomber (B17, B24) Parent Unit Type:Group/Regiment/Commands/System Area Served:European Theatre: Germany Detaining Country:Germany Camp:032 STATUS:Returned to Military Control, Liberated or Repatriated Report Source:Individual has been reported through sources considered official. U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946: Name:Bernard C Kyrouac Birth Year:1922 Race:White, citizen (White) Nativity State or Country:Illinois State:Illinois County or City:Cook Enlistment Date:21 Apr 1942 Enlistment State:Illinois Enlistment City:Chicago Branch:Air Corps Branch Code:Air Corps Grade:Private Grade Code:Private Term of Enlistment:Enlistment for the duration of the War or other emergency, plus six months, subject to the discretion of the President or otherwise according to law Component:Army of the United States - includes the following: Voluntary enlistments effective December 8, 1941 and thereafter; One year enlistments of National Guardsman whose State enlistment expires while in the Federal Service; Officers appointed in the Army of Source:Civil Life Education:2 years of college Civil Occupation:Actor (Motion picture actor.) or Director, Motion Picture

(Motion picture director.) or Entertainer Marital Status:Single, without dependents
Height:72 Weight:198 Last Name First Rank State Compound Kyroutac B. C. Lt. Illinois
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