



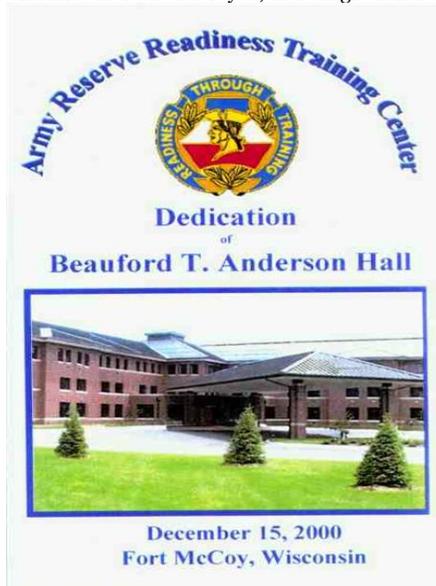
96th Infantry Division Deadeyes Association



Beauford Anderson Hall Dedication Fort McCoy, Wisconsin December 15, 2000

Congressional Medal of Honor winner, S/Sgt. Beauford T. Anderson of Company A, 381st Infantry Regiment, 96th Infantry Division was memorialized during an impressive ceremony at Fort McCoy, Wisconsin on December 15, 2000 by the bestowing of his name on a new 15 million dollar building. S/Sgt. Anderson won his Congressional Medal of Honor on Kakazu Ridge, Okinawa on April 13, 1945.

From the Medal Citation: He displayed conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty. When a powerfully conducted predawn Japanese counterattack struck his unit's flank, he ordered his men to take cover in an old tomb, and then, armed only with a carbine, faced the onslaught alone. After emptying one magazine at pointblank range into the screaming attackers, he seized an enemy mortar dud and threw it back among the charging Japs, killing several as it burst. Securing a box of mortar shells, he extracted the safety pins, banged the bases upon a rock to arm them and proceeded alternately to hurl shells and fire his piece among the fanatical foe, finally forcing them to withdraw. Despite the protests of his comrades, and bleeding profusely from a severe shrapnel wound, he made his way to his company commander to report the action. T/Sgt. Anderson's intrepid conduct in the face of overwhelming odds accounted for 25 enemy killed and several machineguns and knee mortars destroyed, thus single-handedly removing a serious threat to the company's flank.



Association President Jim Causey, Pat Causey, Barbara Anderson and Jim Anderson, son of Beauford Anderson



**Jim and Barbara Anderson with Dedication Luncheon Cakes
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