



DECEMBER 11-17, 2023



THROUGH THE LENS

DECEMBER 12, 1944: Soldiers from Company G, 147th Infantry completing 33 successive push-ups during the Expert Infantryman Badge test on New Caledonia.



WEEK IN REVIEW

- M** **DECEMBER 11, 2006:** The coat of arms for the 155th Chemical Battalion is approved by The Institute of Heraldry.
- Tu** **DECEMBER 12, 1776:** The Cavalry and Armor branches trace their origins to a regiment of cavalry authorized by the Continental Congress on this date. Although armor didn't become a permanent branch of the Army until 1950, both branches share in the birthday of the Army's mounted formations.
- W** **DECEMBER 13, 1862:** At the Battle of Fredericksburg, Va., Union forces were soundly defeated, sustaining over 12,000 casualties in repeated frontal assaults on fortified Confederate positions. The 4th Ohio Volunteer Infantry lost 40 percent of its officers and men when it charged up Marye's Heights.

DECEMBER 13, 1996: Company B, 2d Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group is organized in Chagrin Falls.
- F** **DECEMBER 15, 1864:** The two-day Battle of Nashville begins, resulting in Union Maj. Gen. George H. Thomas' forces defeating Lt. Gen. John B. Hood's Confederate forces. Thomas had 28 Ohio infantry regiments and six Ohio artillery batteries, all veterans, together with several newly organized Ohio regiments in his 50,000-strong army.
- Sa** **DECEMBER 16, 2004:** The 1483d Transportation Company is organized in Walbridge.



HALL OF VALOR

**SERGEANT
WILLIAM GARRETT**

**COMPANY G,
41ST OHIO VOLUNTEER INFANTRY**

**DECEMBER 16, 1864
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

The President of the United States of America, in the name of Congress, takes pleasure in presenting the Medal of Honor to Sergeant William Garrett, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism on 16 December 1864, while serving with Company G, 41st Ohio Infantry, in action at Nashville, Tennessee. With several companions Sergeant Garrett dashed forward, the first to enter the enemy's works, taking possession of four pieces of artillery and captured the flag of the 13th Mississippi Infantry (Confederate States of America).



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