

**DEDICATION  
OF  
34th INFANTRY DIVISION MONUMENT**



**SEPTEMBER 12, 1987  
CAMP DODGE, IOWA**

## DEDICATION

It is with gratitude that we remember those who made our country and fashioned it to be a land of liberty and justice; may we always remember those men and women, and our comrades, who have in the name of patriotism, offered their blood that this liberty and justice should not perish from the earth.

During all wars and during World War II, there were a great number of brave dedicated men in the 34th Infantry Division who had a kind of greatness which does not depend upon fortune. It is a certain manner that distinguishes us, and which seems to destine us for great things; it is the value we insensibly set upon ourselves, it is by this quality, that we gain the deference of other men and it is this which commonly raises us more above them than birth, rank, or even merit itself.

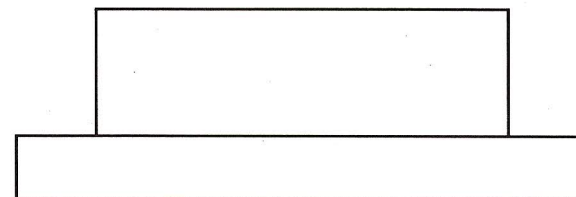
We are gathered here today to honor and remember our former comrades of the 34th Infantry Division and to dedicate a memorial to their courage and devotion. The memorial in itself is a cold inanimate piece of granite. However your presence and the inscription thereon give it life. Members of the 34th will always be grateful to Charles Smith for his efforts in bringing this beautiful memorial into being. Charley we salute you.

Tennyson probably best described our feeling as we look over the landscape and remember our comrades. "Tears, idle tears, I know not what they mean, tears from the depth of some divine despair, rise in the heart and gather in the eyes. In looking on the happy autumn fields and thinking of the days that are no more."

— Brigadier General Edward W. Bird

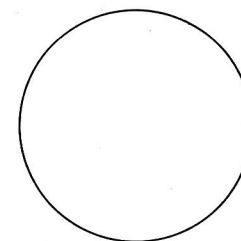
Unveiling

RUSSELL GULL  
RUSSELL ERICKSON  
JOHN BUNDY  
WILBUR DARNELL  
ED REYNOLDS  
CARL OGAWA  
ROBERT CREAGER  
GEORGE HAGIWARA



Leading —  
Laying of Wreath

MARSHALL RUNNELS  
RICHARD NOMURA  
ROBERT ABODEELY  
WARREN FENCL



NORMAN RANER  
HARRY LOWN  
GENE COTTER  
MARTIN WINKLE  
JOE LEAVELLE

GENERAL CHARLES BOLTE

Recognition of P.O.W.'s lead by Dewey Woods

Salute to Departed — Men from the Artillery Batteries

# MONUMENT DEDICATION PROGRAM

Saturday, September 12, 1987

Pre-Ceremony Music ..... Iowa National Guard Band  
Presentation of the Colors ..... Iowa National Guard  
Narrator ..... Sgt. Joe McDonald  
Iowa National Guard  
Invocation ..... John Little  
Company C  
135th Infantry Regiment  
Greetings ..... BG Neal R. Christensen  
Iowa Deputy Adjutant General  
Unveiling of Monument ..... Russell Gull  
151st Field Artillery  
Russell Erickson  
Co. G, 133rd Infantry  
John Bundy  
Co. B, 168th Infantry  
Wilbur Darnell  
Co. H, 168th Infantry  
Edward Reynolds  
168th Infantry  
Carl Ogawa  
442nd Infantry  
Joe Leavelle  
Co. F, 135th Infantry  
Robert Creager  
Co. L, 133rd Infantry  
George Hagiwara  
Co. C, 100th Infantry  
Placement of Wreath ..... Warren Fencl  
34th Recon Co. C  
168th Infantry  
Norman Raner  
Co. I, 133rd Infantry  
Al Trease  
Co. L, 168th Infantry  
Harry Lown  
109th Med Bn  
Victor S. Izui  
442nd Infantry

Placement of Wreath (continued) ..... Gene Cotter  
168th Infantry  
Robert Abodeely  
109th Med Bn  
Martin Winkle  
Co. G, 133rd Infantry  
Robert L. Owen  
Band  
Gen. Charles Bolte (Retired)  
Division Commander  
POW's Lead by M E Dewey Wood  
Med Det 168th Infantry  
Remembrances ..... Edward W. Bird  
168th Infantry  
Remembrances ..... Ben Butler  
Co. A, 168th Infantry  
Benediction ..... Reverend DeLoss Marken  
Division Chaplain  
Reverend Dennis Neal  
Co. L, 133rd Infantry  
Salute to the Departed ..... Leon Spittle  
Hq Co. 175th Field Artillery  
John Wilhelm  
Btry A 175th Field Artillery  
Edward Horning  
Cannon Co. 168th Infantry  
Don Powell  
Serv Co. 175th Field Artillery  
George Anderson  
Btry A 125th Field Artillery  
Melvin Monsaas  
Btry A 125th Field Artillery  
Taps ..... 34th Band Buglers  
Retirement of the Colors ..... Iowa National Guard

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BG Neal R. Christensen, Iowa Deputy Adjutant General  
BG Edward W. Bird (Retired)  
Colonel Aloysius T. Rolfes (Retired)  
Jerry L. Gorden, LTC FA Iowa ARNG  
CMS Kline, Color Guard  
34th Army Band - CWO Ronald L. Prill  
Howitzer Salute - MSG William Detrick  
LTC Richard Moss (Retired)  
CWO James Huyck

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