## **AN AMERICAN SOLDIER**

A young man married at the age of 22, ready to start his family was called to serve his country. Without hesitation, he immediately left, like so many others. He found himself in a strange country with unfamiliar faces. These unknown faces, soon became his family, "The American Soldiers." There were many missions in many places, Hawaii, Philippines, New Guinea, Leyte, Corregidor, Fort Drum, Cabalo, Bataan. He fought along the Bataan Trail beside these men with fear and anger. Fear the war would never end and outraged by the amount of blood shed of our Americans. Days seemed like weeks, the killing continued. Their next assignment would be invading



Tokoyo Bay. That never happened, the bomb was dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. With extreme disbelief, but thankfulness, the war had ended. It was finally over and they were going home.

Mr. Brantley today, is retired and still a Christian Soldier. He feels extremely Proud and Blessed to live in a Free Country. Knowing without any doubt, it was worth fighting for. When I was a child a wise man told me to "never give up and to fight for what you believe in, Like a Soldier." This Soldier loves and believes in his Country. We are honored and proud to know that this Soldier, is our Daddy ...

We Love You ... Stanley, Roger, Dennis, Truesa

Happy Birthday ~ 88 Years Old
ALVIN BRANTLEY

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