

Washington Island Military Archives

BM 2nd Class Willis R. Anderson

Born: Nov 29, 1919

Died:

Period of Service: WW II

Sources: Monument, CS
Am Legion scrapbook-box17

Service # 943-0616

SS# 346-12-5757

Entered service December 20, 1943 at Great Lakes, IL.
Discharged December 21, 1945 at Sturgeon Bay with honorable discharge.

Medals include Victory, Asia Pacific, American Theater.

Served at USNAT, Solomon branch, Washington DC, ACT 5 flotilla, INFLD, Norfolk VA, ATB Camp Bradford, Northern VA, USS LST 877 in Pacific. Sailed from Mobile, AL Feb 16, 1945.

Military address was Bosm Locker, Norfolk, VA, Tanker Company 17, Battery Place.

Parents were Pete Anderson and Mary Jepson. She was called Mary Pete, but later when she married John Christiansen she was called Mary John, this to distinguish her from another Mary Anderson on the Island.

Willis married twice, first to Vernetta Hansen (Charlotte's sister) on May 11, 1940 and later to Mary Kelly. He had a brother Gerald, and a son Michael born in 1957 and a daughter Suzzie(sic) born on Nov 11, 1956. Later lived in Chicago.

(Scrapbook has wife's maiden name as Mary Brell, and a son Bruce???)