

Robert M. Baldwin World War II Military Art Collection Donated to Ft. Bragg Airborne Museum

Robert M. Baldwin, former Mayor of South Plainfield, New Jersey, and 82nd Airborne Division Paratrooper during World War II, died on December 28, 2003, at his home in Saylorsburg, Pennsylvania, at the age of 78. His tour of duty during the war included participation in the Rhine Jump on March 24, 1945, as the Allied Army crossed into Germany, and the occupation of Berlin after the war.

During this time he sketched his observations and put together a collection of original water color paintings depicting the war scenes he witnessed. Between 1945 and his death in 2003 he added other battlefield depictions to his collection of the war in the Pacific and Vietnam.

On Saturday, March 26, 2005, (almost 60 years to the day of the Rhine Jump) his 17-picture collection was donated by his estate to the 82nd Airborne Military Museum at Ft. Bragg, North Carolina, by his son, Mark Baldwin.



Mark Baldwin hands Mr. Jim Hallis a copy of the history of the Robert M. Baldwin Collection on March 26th