

Paul Flynn

Sep 2, 1927 -

BIRTHPLACE: St. Joseph, Missouri

SOLDIER DETAILS

DIVISION: Navy, USS Iowa;USS Columbus THEATER OF OPERATION: Pacific SERVED: Sep 13, 1945 - Aug 16, 1946 HONORED BY: Eisenhower Foundation

BIOGRAPHY

Paul E. Flynn joined the Navy in 1945. He was sent to Kansas City, Missouri for initial processing and was then sent by train to San Diego, California for 'boot camp' and trained for ship duty. He then was assigned to the Battleship 'USS Iowa' and sailed to Japan as part of a large task force. He was given shore leave in Japan but was sad to report that the city he visited had great damage. He was then transferred to the Heavy Cruiser 'USS Columbus' for his return to the United States. He was discharged in the fall of 1946 in Norman, Oklahoma. Paul then returned to his family' Nursery in Abilene, Kansas. In 1951, Paul and his family started a new garden center called the 'Garden Place Nursery'. He owned and managed that business until his retirement. Paul married Judith Kay Hucket from Greenleaf, Kansas. They have three children: Jayne, Annette and Paul Michael.