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Navy

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May 13, 1921 - May 20, 2006

BIRTHPLACE: Rock Creek Township, Kansas

SOLDIER DETAILS

HIGHEST RANK: B2c V6

DIVISION: Navy

THEATER OF OPERATION: Other

SERVED: Feb 4, 1942 - 1945

HONORED BY: The Eisenhower Foundation

BIOGRAPHY

Harold 'Doc' Edwards was born to Walter Edwards and Viola Schaeffer Edwards on May 13, 1921 in Rock Creek Township in Wabaunsee County, Kansas. He lived in Herrington, Kansas before World War II. During the war, Edwards served in the Navy as a Boiler Maker First class beginning in February 1942. His service number is 6282699. He served in the African-European and Asiatic-Pacific Theaters. He primarily served on the USS Denebola (AD-12), an Altair class destroyer tender. He joined the ship in September 1942 when she began her service as tender to destroyers and other ships there until July 5, 1944. Denebola sailed from Norfolk on July 24, 1944 for duty in the Mediterranean, furnishing tender services at Cagliari, Sardinia, during the invasion of southern France. The USS Denebola continued this duty at Ajaccio, Corsica, and St. Tropez, France, until September 23 when she put into Naples for tender duty until October 27. She returned to Casco Bay, Maine December 1. Denebola got underway in May for the Pacific, arriving at Eniwetok June 30. She provided upkeep and repair services to destroyers and other ships until November when she sailed for San Diego. In 1943 Edwards married Jaunita Cunningham. They had one son together. Edwards was a welder and member of the Pipe Fitters Union No. 208 in Denver, Colorado. He was also a member of the Brighton Masonic Lodge and Methodist Church. Courtesy kshs.org, fold3.com, findagrave.com, newspapers.com, wikipedia.com.