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Navy

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SOLDIER DETAILS

DIVISION: Navy, USS Gallatin APA-169

THEATER OF OPERATION: Pacific

HONORED BY: The Eisenhower Foundation

BIOGRAPHY

Orval Knodel was born July 11, 1926 in South Dakota. He served in World War II in the Navy on the USS Gallatin APA-169. USS Gallatin (APA-169/LKA-169) was a Haskell-class attack transport acquired by the U.S. Navy during World War II for the task of transporting troops to and from combat areas.