

517th Parachute Regimental Combat Team Auxiliary

The 517th Parachute Regimental Combat Team Auxiliary has three main goals:

- 1. To secure the history of the 517th.
- 2. To assist veterans in attending the Reunions.
- 3. To defray registrations costs for the veterans for future Reunions.

The most important thing that we can do for the 517th is to preserve the history of this outstanding unit. We want to do this by obtaining your oral and written histories, archiving and protecting photographs, and in time, caring for memorabilia not left to descendents.

The oral and written histories are so important to the preservation of the 517th. While some of our 517th men are deceased, there are sure to be stories and memories of these strong and courageous men that need to be told. Video histories are wonderful, however taped conversations are important also. We need to get these stories before it is too late.

We feel that there are children, grandchildren and other relatives of the 517th that have talents that could be used in keeping the 517th PRCT alive after our proud and strong men are gone. We are looking for these talents in building a strong Auxiliary. Please consider what talent you have that you can share with us to obtain this goal.

Membership in the Auxiliary is \$30.00 a year or whatever fits your financial situation, and goes to support the work of the Auxiliary. We hope that you will find it important to support the Auxiliary and join in keeping the 517th spirit alive. We thank you for any talent or effort that you can contribute to this endeavor.

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