## UCF Veterans Legacy Program



## John Manuel Carves

1921 - 1943

Second Lieutenant: United States Army Air Forces\*

World War II

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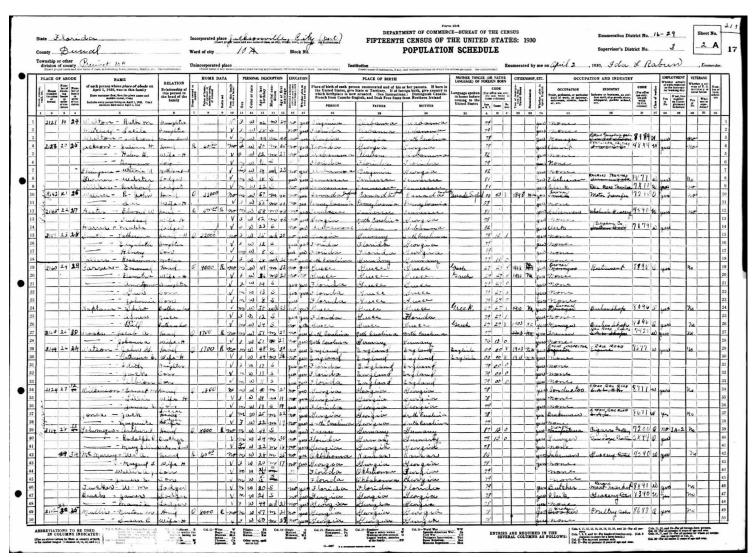
\*In 1941, the United States Army Air Corps became the United States Army Air Forces. Then, in 1947, the US government established the United States Air Force as a separate service.



## John's Parents in the 1924 Jacksonville City Directory

"U.S., City Directories, 1822-1995," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 1, 2024), entry for Manuel Carves, Jacksonville, Florida.

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/667335334:2469



## 1930 United States Census

"1930 United States Federal Census," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 1, 2024), entry for Johnnie Carves, Jacksonville, Florida.

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/102735088:6224



## John's Parents in the 1931 Jacksonville City Directory

"U.S., City Directories, 1822-1995," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 1, 2024), entry for Manuel Carves, Jacksonville, Florida.

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1938 Palm Beach High School Yearbook

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## John Carves Serves as a Team Manager for his High School's Football Team

"Veteran Line Will Return but Backs Must be Developed," Palm Beach Post, July 3, 1938.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/129736887/?terms=john%20carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

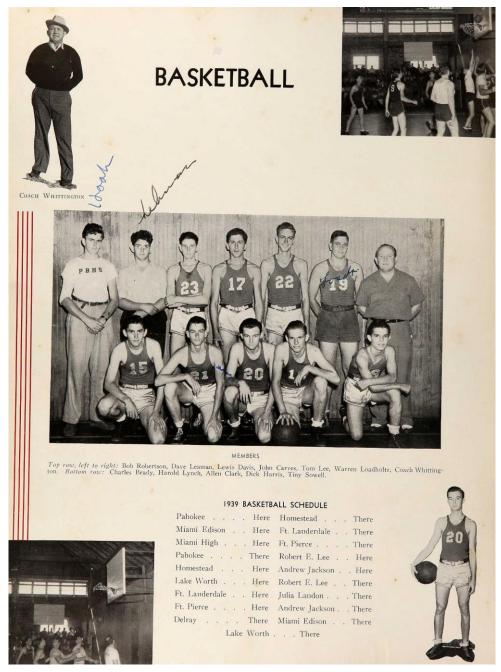
"Bob Robertson and John Carves, both of whom were reserve ends on last year's eleven, will be the team managers this year. Robertson suffered a fractured arm in a practice game last fall and will be unable to play and Carves will be out because of a back injury which occurred late in the season."

(The article in its entirety concerns the positions of the team members of the Palm Beach High Wildcats in the 1938 season.)



1939 Palm Beach High School Yearbook

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1939 Palm Beach High School Basketball Team

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/959223031:1265

## John Carves' Final High School Football Game

"Wildcats and Pahokee Clash for County Grid Title Tonight, Record Attendance Expected For Game," *Palm Beach Post*, December 7, 1939.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/130164295/?terms=john%20carves&match=1

#### Summary:

The article discusses the upcoming game between the Palm Beach High Wildcats and the Pahokee Blue Devils. John Carves is listed as one of the seniors playing his last game for Palm Beach High.

(An image of John Carves amongst his teammates is also present.)

## John Carves' Invitation to All-Star Football Team

"County All-Star Squad to Hold First Practice Here Today, 28 Seniors Invited to Play With Team," *Palm Beach Post*, December 26, 1939.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/130178018/?terms=john%20carves&match=1

#### Summary:

The article concerns an all-star high school football team made up of members from Palm Beach, Lake Worth, and Pahokee High that will play Mt. Carmel High. John Carves is listed as one of the players from Palm Beach invited to participate.

## John Carves on the All-Star Football Team

"Prep Stars Ready for Intersectional Grid Clash Tonight," Palm Beach Post, December 30, 1939.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/130179990/?terms=john%20carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"Palm Beach County's First All-Star Team—This collection of gridiron talent is perhaps the finest ever to appear in Palm Beach High uniforms, for it represents the pick of the three teams at Palm Beach, Pahokee, and Lake Worth high schools. The squad members, who will meet Mt. Carmel of Chicago tonight in an intersectional game, are..."

(The article then lists a series of names, of which "John Carves, Palm Beach" is one. The caption accompanies a photo of the entire team; Carves is in the back row.)

#### John Carves Wins the 1940 Season's Last Basketball Game

"Wildcat Five Wins Season's Last Game," Palm Beach Post, February 29, 1940.

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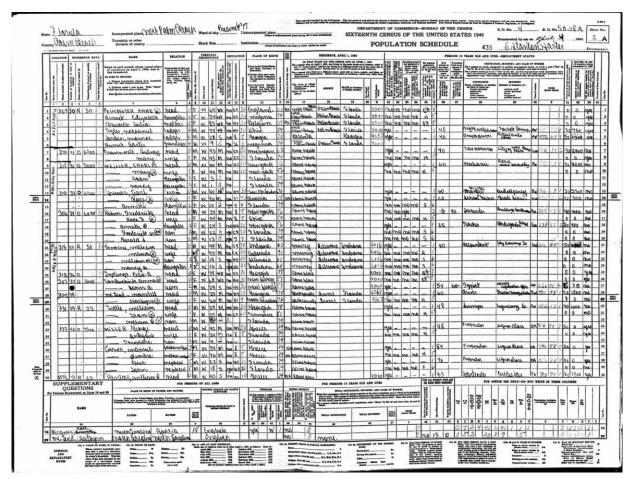
#### Transcription:

"LAKE WORTH – Palm Beach High's cagers ended their 1940 season here Wednesday night by taking a 30 to 26 decision from the Lake Worth Trojans in a rough battle.

The Wildcats held the lead most of the way, but the Trojans threatened at all times. The last quarter was played with makeshift teams, both teams having three regulars benched for excessive fouls. Davis, Harris, and Buhl went out of the Wildcat lineup, and Biesnecker, Bob and Jack Mason were out of the Lake Worth lineup.

John Carves, center, was the spearhead of the Wildcat attack, with seven of the eight players breaking into the scoring.

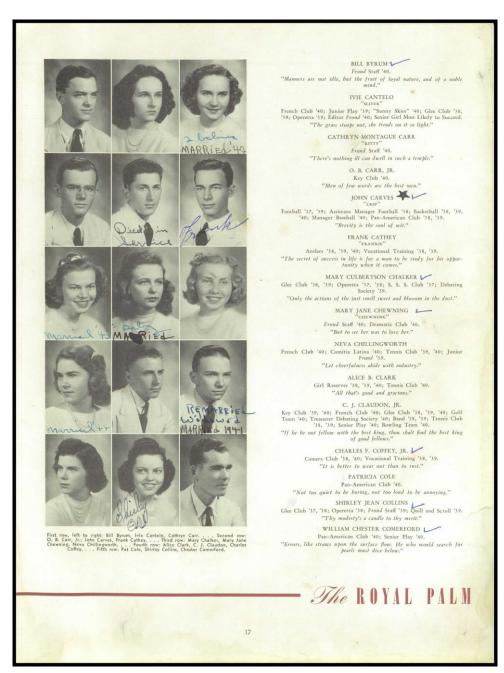
The Palm Beach B team won the preliminary, 24 to 23."



**1940 United States Census** 

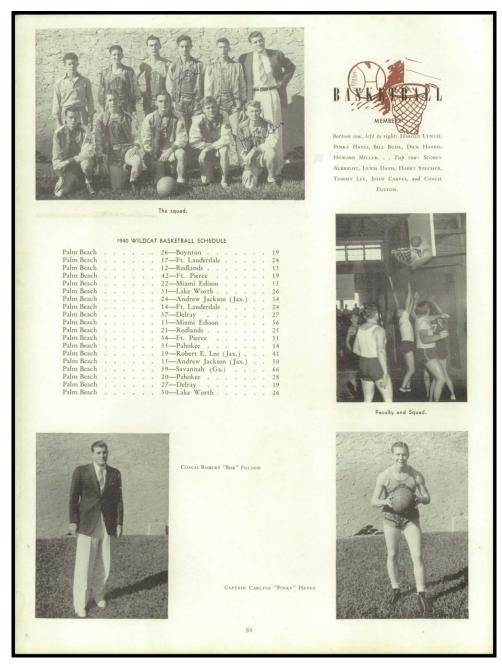
"1940 United States Federal Census," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 1, 2024), entry for John Carves, West Palm Beach, Florida.

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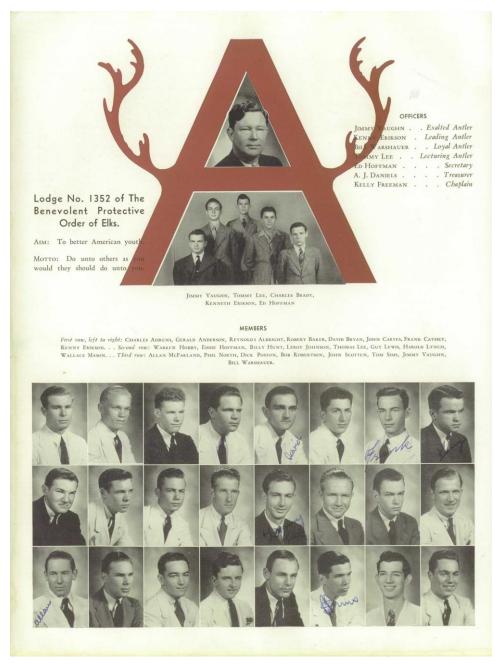
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1940 Palm Beach High School Basketball Team

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1940 Benevolent Protective Order of Elks

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## John Carves Pledges to University of Florida's Sigma Chi Fraternity

Joe Farish, Jr., "University Notes," Palm Beach Post, September 20, 1940.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/146953047/?terms=john%20carves&match=1

Summary:

John Carves is among the pledges to Sigma Chi at the University of Florida from West Palm Beach.



# John's Parents and Brother Gus in the 1941 West Palm Beach City <u>Directory</u>

"U.S., City Directories, 1822-1995," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 1, 2024), entry for Manuel Carves, West Palm Beach, Florida.

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John Carves World War II Draft Card

"U.S., World War II Draft Cards Young Men, 1940-1947," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 1, 2024), entry for John Manuel Carves, West Palm Beach, Florida.

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Full Name	John M Carves
Army Serial Number	14107221
Enlistment Place	Morrison Field West Palm Beach Florida
Enlistment Date	6 May 1942
Army Branch	Medical Administrative Corps - For Officers only
Branch	Army
Race Or Ethnicity	White
Residence	PalmBeach County, Florida
Source Of Army Personnel	Civil Life
Level Of Education	1 year of college
Occupation	Actors and actresses
Marital Status	Single, without dependents
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Source Box Number	0158
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Conflict	World War II
Served For	United States of America

## **World War II Enlistment Record**

"US, WWII Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946," database, *Fold3* (fold3.com: accessed April 1, 2024), entry for John M Carves, West Palm Beach, Florida.

 $\underline{https://www.fold3.com/record/84028511/john-m-carves-us-wwii-army-enlistment-records-1938-\underline{1946}$ 

## John Carves Receives Flight Training at Maxwell Field

"In the Service," Palm Beach Post, November 10, 1942.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/134142956/?terms=john%20carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"Three young local men have reported to the Army Air Forces Pre-Flight School for pilots at Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Ala., from the classification center at Nashville, Tenn., to begin the second phase of their training. They are Cadets Donald O. Hartwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank F. Hartwell, 412 Westwood Rd.; John Manuel Carves, son of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel G. Carves, 7201 S. Flagler Dr., and Robert William Chanter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chanter, 5511 N. Poinsettia Blvd."

## John Carves Receives Additional Flight Training at Greenville

"In the Service," Palm Beach Post, March 30, 1942.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/134013995/?terms=john%20carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"A/C John M. Carves, son of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel G. Carves, 7201 S. Flagler Dr., has reported at the Greenville, Miss., Army Flying School for further flight training."

## John Carves Receives Wings and Graduates at Blytheville

"In the Service," Palm Beach Post, July 2, 1943.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/134009458/?terms=john%20carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"John M. Carves, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Carves, 7201 Flagler Dr., received his wings and commission as second lieutenant Wednesday in the Army Air Forces at Blytheville, Ark. Mr. and Mrs. Carves, accompanied by their seven-year-old grandson, Theodore Miller, attended their son's graduation."

## John Carves Stationed at Columbia Army Airbase

"In the Service," Palm Beach Post, July 18, 1943.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/134010473/?terms=john%20carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"Lt. John M. Carves, son of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel G. Carves, is now stationed at the Columbia Army Airbase, Columbia, S.C. Lt. Carves was previously stationed at Blytheville, Ark."

#### John Carves Killed in Action in New Guinea

"Lt. J. M. Carves Killed in Action," Palm Beach Post, December 31, 1943.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/134035441/?terms=john%20carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"Second Lt. John M. Carves, son of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel G. Carves, 7201 S. Flagler Dr., was killed in action in New Guinea Dec. 20, according to word received from his parents Thursday from the War Department.

He was pilot of a B-25 twin-engine bomber and had been overseas four months.

The 21-year-old officer, who left the University of Florida to enlist in the Army Air Corps, received his wings and commission at Blytheville, Ark. and took combat training at Columbia, S.C.

A graduate of Palm Beach High School in 1939, Lt. Carves played on the Wildcat football and basketball teams two seasons, and served as manager of the baseball team of which he was a member. He engaged in intra-mural sports at the university.

A native of Jacksonville, he moved here with his parents in 1931. In addition to his mother and father, he is survived by a sister, Mrs. George Miller, and a brother, Gus Carves, both of this city."

## John Carves' Death Reported in Miami Newspaper

"Florida Deaths," Miami Herald, January 1, 1944.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/617651939/?terms=john%20carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"WEST PALM BEACH – Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Manuel G. Carves here from the War department of the death of their son, Second Lt. John M. Carves, 21, reported killed in action in New Guinea on Dec. 20. He was in the Air Corps, getting his wings and commission at Blytheville, Ark. He was a high school graduate here in 1939 and a member of the high school football and basketball teams. He came here with his parents from Jacksonville in 1934. He also leaves a sister, Mrs. George Miller, and a brother, Gus, both of West Palm Beach."

## John Carves' Memorial Service

"Memorial Rites Set For Lt. John Carves," Palm Beach Post, January 29, 1944.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/133916926/?terms=john%20carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"Memorial Service for the late Lt. John M. Carves, son of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Carves, 7201 S. Flagler Dr., who was killed in action last Dec. 20, will be held following the 7:30 service at Holy Trinity Church Sunday. Canon William S. Turner will be in charge. All friends of the late flier are invited by his parents to attend the service."

## John Carves is Posthumously Awarded the Silver Star

"Silver Star Awarded Posthumously To Flier," Palm Beach Post, May 12, 1944.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/133878544/?terms=john%20carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"The War Department announced Thursday that the Silver Star has been awarded posthumously to 2nd Lt. John M. Carves, Army 5th Airforce, who was reported killed in action Dec. 20, 1943.

The award has been sent to Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Carves, 7201 Flagler Dr., parents of the young flier.

Lt. Carves was pilot of a B-25 twin engine bomber and had been overseas four months. He was reported to have been killed in action in New Guinea."

#### John Carves' Parents Presented with their Son's Silver Star

"Lt. Carves' Parents Given Silver Star," Palm Beach Post, December 19, 1944.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/133867012/?terms=john%20carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"Posthumous award of the Silver Star to 2nd Lt. John M. Carves was made Sunday afternoon by Morrison Field officers who presented the medal to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Carves, 7201 Flagler Dr.

Lt. Carves, a pilot, was cited for "gallantry in air action over Alexishaufen, New Guinea, on Dec. 20, 1943." the day of his death.

1st Lt. John W. Dodge, who made the presentation, and Capt. Jack B. Davis of the base personal affairs office, represented Morrison Field at the ceremony.

Memorial services for the young officer were held Sunday morning at the Holy trinity Episcopal Church and were conducted by the Rev. Erotheos Stavrou of St. John's Greek Orthodox Church, Jacksonville. The Army Air Forces' citation for Lt. Carves was read during the ceremony."

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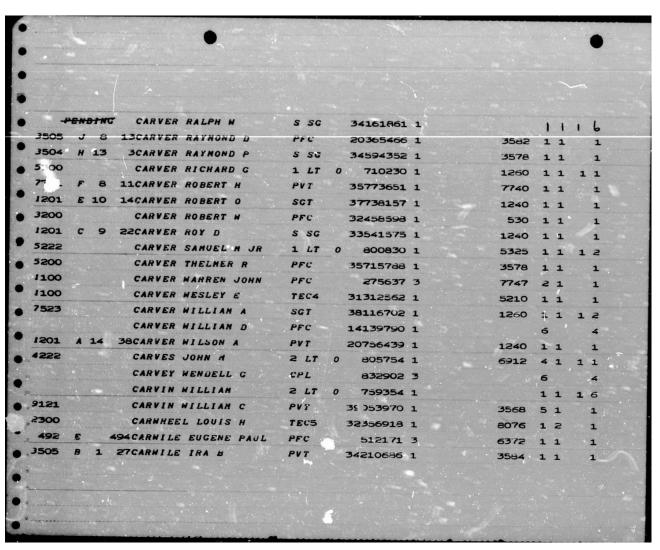
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## **Rosters of World War II Dead**

"US, Rosters of World War II, 1939-1945," database, *Fold3* (fold3.com: accessed April 1, 2024), entry for John M Carves, Service Number O-805754.

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## **World War II Honor List Palm Beach County**

"US, WWII Army and Army Air Force Casualty List," database, *Fold3* (fold3.com: accessed April 1, 2024), entry for John M Carves, Service Number O-805754.

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#### John Carves Named on UF Roll of Honor

"Eight County Men Named on Florida U. Roll Of Honor," Palm Beach Post, October 19, 1946.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/134752580/?terms=john%20m%20carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"Names of eight Palm Beach County men are included among 390 former University of Florida students who lost their lives in the service of their country in World War 2.

Announcement was made of the honor roll, being compiled by the Florida Alumni Association office, as final plans are being completed for the university's war dead Memorial Service scheduled at 2:30 p.m. Oct. 27, in the university's auditorium at Gainesville. Parents and friends of the honored men are expected to attend and George Smathers of Miami, Democratic nominee for Congress, a Marine Corps veteran and alumnus of the university, will be the principal speaker.

The announced list includes..."

(The article then lists the eight Palm Beach County men to be presented on the Roll of Honor, including "John M. Carves" listed under the "West Palm Beach" section.)

### John Carves' Remains Returned to His Family

"47 War Victims to be Returned, Died in New Guinea and Philippines," *Tampa Tribune*, January 15, 1949.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/327625447/?terms=john%20m%20carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 14 – (Special) Remains of 47 Florida World War II dead, who were originally interred in temporary military cemeteries in New Guinea and the Philippines Islands, are being returned to the United States aboard the U.S. Army transport Sgt. Jack T, Pendleton.

After the arrival of the Sgt. Jack Pendleton at the San Francisco port of embarkation, from two to five weeks will elapse before the Atlanta distribution center will be able to advise the next of kin when they may expect to receive the remains of their loved ones.

Each next of kin will be notified in advance of the arrival of the Sgt. Jack J. Pendleton in San Francisco, and again after arrival of the remains at the Atlanta distribution center of the American Graves Registration service.

Following is a list of remains being returned at the request of next of kin residing in Florida, showing rank, name, branch, and next of kin..."

(The article lists a series of names, including "2nd Lt. John M. Carves, Air Force, (Manuel G. Carves), West Palm Beach.")

## **John Carves' Funeral Rites**

"Hero's Funeral Rites to be at St. Augustine," Palm Beach Post, February 14, 1949.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/129568786/?terms=carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"Funeral services for Lt. John M. Carves, who was killed in action Dec. 20, 1943, on New Guinea, will be held at St. Augustine National Cemetery at 11 Wednesday morning with the Rev. Anatasios Bentis of the Greek Orthodox Church, Jacksonville, officiating. Military rites will also be held at the grave.

Lt. Carves, a B-25 bomber pilot, is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel G. Carves, 7201 S. Flagler Dr.; a brother, Gus Carves, and sister Mrs. George Miller, all of this city."

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**Interment in St. Augustine National Cemetery** 

"U.S., National Cemetery Interment Control Forms, 1928-1962," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 2, 2024), entry for John M Carves, St. Augustine National Cemetery.

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2nd Lieutenant, 71st Bomb Squadron, World War II. Re-interred from British New Guinea Cemetery 16 February 1949. Florida: 29 July 1921 to 20 December 1943. Next of kin; Manuel G. Carves, father, West Palm Beach, Florida.

(The 71st flew B-25 medium bombers in the Southwest Pacific Theater of Operations and earned several Distinguished Unit Citations, especially in operations against Japanese bases and shipping in northern New Guinea, the Bismark Sea and Rabaul on New Britain).

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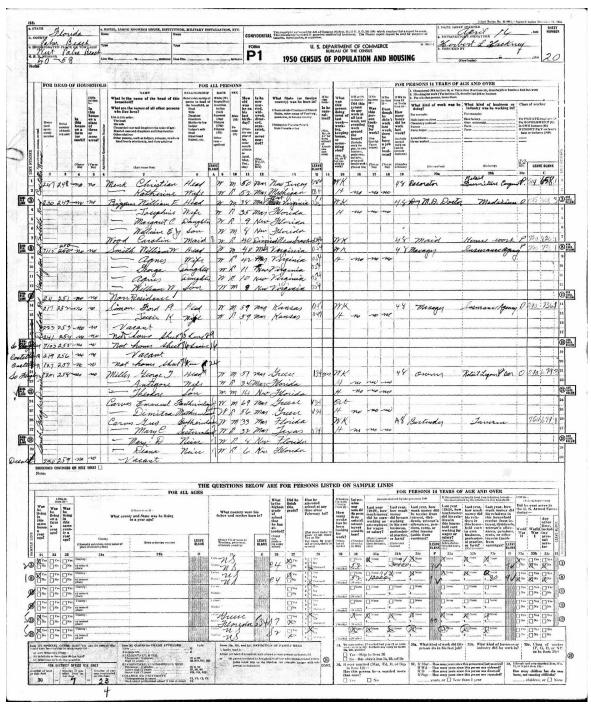
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John Carves' Headstone in St. Augustine National Cemetery

UCF Veterans Legacy Program, *Headstone for John M Carves*, photograph, 2023, St. Augustine National Cemetery, St. Augustine, FL.



John's Family in the 1950 United States Census

"1950 United States Federal Census," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed April 2, 2024), entry for Antigone Miller, West Palm Beach, Florida.

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/80946033:62308

# Palm Beach Air Force Base Gates Named After John Carves and Others

"PBAFB Gates Honor Heroes," Palm Beach Post, June 26, 1955.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/133573652/?terms=john%20carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"Palm Beach Air Force Base's three main gates were renamed recently to honor three local citizens killed in action during World War II, according to Col. H. G. Thorne, Jr., base commander.

The gates have been renamed as follows:

Gerald E. O'Quinn Entrance (formerly Belvedere Road east gate)

John M. Carves Entrance (formerly PBAFB Headquarters gate)

Hugh A. Kelly Entrance (formerly south gate on Southern Blvd)"

(The article then goes into detail on the lives of O'Quinn and Kelly, finishing with Carves' description, which is as follows:)

"The late 2d Lt. John M. Carves was a B-25 pilot in the Army Air Corps in New Guinea. He died of wounds received during a bombing mission. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Carves, and a sister, Mrs. George Miller, who resides at 7201 S. Flagler Drive and a brother, Gus Carves, of 228 Rutland Boulevard in West Palm Beach. He attended the University of Florida.

The name plaques, made of varnished cypress, were mounted at each of the entrances."

(The article also has a photo of all three gates, with Carves' gate appearing to be the one in the center.)

#### John Carves' Family Receives Palm Beach Air Force Base Plaque

"Families Get PBAFB 'Entrance' Plaques," Palm Beach Post, May 31, 1959.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/130025804/?terms=john%20m%20carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"Families of three local citizens who were killed in action during World War II received the plaques which formerly were mounted at PBAFB's three entrances. Colonel George W. Peterson, PBAFB Commander, made the presentations. The plaques bearing the name and short biographical information of the deceased personnel, had been used to name the three PBAFB entrances as follows:

Gerald O'Quinn Entrance (Belvedere Road east gate); John M. Carves Entrance (PBAFB headquarters gate) and Hugh A. Kelley Entrance (south gate).

Second Lt. Gerald Edward O'Quinn died on Aug. 6, 1943, when his Douglad C-46 Commando aircraft crashed when an engine failed while flying in the China-Burma-India theater.

Second Lt. High Kelley died when his Boeing B-17 Flying Fortress was shot down over Austria May 29, 1944.

Second Lt. John M. Carves was a B-25 pilot in the Army Air Force in New Guinea. He died of wounds received during a bombing mission.

The name plaques, made of varnished cypress, were mounted at each of the entrances in June, 1955."

(To the right of the article is a photo of the plaques, alongside the commander of Palm Beach Air Force Base and the three families of the Veterans commemorated on the plaques. John M. Carves' plaque is the rightmost one, and his parents stand behind it.)

## Manuel Carves (John's Father) Obituary

"Area Deaths," Palm Beach Post, September 6, 1973.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/133711195/?terms=carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"Mr. Carves, 92 yrs. old, of 121 Linda Lane, West Palm Beach, passed away Tuesday. He is survived by his wife, Demetra Carves; a son, Gus M. Carves, both of West Palm Beach; two sisters, Mrs. Antigone Petkas of Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Andonia Poulos of Jacksonville, Fla.; three grandchildren and nine great grandchildren."

## **Demitra Carves (John's Mother) Obituary**

"Funeral Notices," Palm Beach Post, September 23, 1988.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/132387452/?terms=carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"Age 95, of West Palm Beach, Florida, passed away September 20, 1988, she had been a Resident of West Palm Beach for 54 years.

Mrs. Carves is survived by one daughter Mrs. Antigone Petkas; one son Gus Carves and wife Mickey; three grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren."

#### Gus Carves (John's Brother) Obituary

"Funeral Notices," Palm Beach Post, October 25, 1993.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/133045071/?terms=gus%20m%20carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"Age 77, of West Palm Beach, Florida passed away Friday, Oct. 22, 1993. He had resided in West Palm Beach since 1932, coming from Jacksonville, Florida. Mr. Carves was a member of St. Catherine's Greek Orthodox Church in West Palm Beach, and a member of the Ahepa Men's Club at the Church. He was a member of the C.M.M.A., and the former club manager of the Palm Beach Sailfish Club.

Survivors include his loving and devoted wife of 53 years, Mickey Carves; one sister, Antigone Petkas of Marietta, GA; two children, DeDe Haviland and Diana P. Sumner, both of West Palm Beach; six grandchildren, Henry Martin, John Martin, Steven Martin, Katina Boynton, Demetra Sumner, Scott Sumner; five great grandchildren; one nephew, Theodore Miller of Boynton Beach."

### Antigone Petkas (John's Sister) Obituary

"Family Placed Death Notices,." Atlanta Constitution, April 12, 2013.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/424375771/?terms=carves&match=1

#### Transcription:

"Antigone Carves Miller Petkas age 97 passed away peacefully on April 6, 2013 at a nursing home in Decatur, GA, she formerly resided in West Palm Beach, FL. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jim Petkas; parents, Manuel and Demitra Carves; son, Theodore G. Miller; step-daughter, Virginia Menser; brothers, Gus Carves and John Carves; grandchildren, Patty Anderson and John Miller. Survivors include her daughter-in-law, Janes Miller; step-son, Nick Petkas, step-daughter, Helen McGann; sister-in-law, Mickey Carves; nieces, Diana Patruck and Dede Duff; grandchildren, April Miller, Sharon Bannerman, Stacy Petkas Nash and Charles Menser; six great grandchildren; one great great grandchild; and six great nieces and nephews..."