

## **John Harold Sherman** (189. – 1944)

Following information obtained via the *San Diego Union* newspaper dated August 25, 1944:

Colonel John H. Sherman, United States Army was the past commander of the San Diego 251<sup>st</sup> Coast artillery, National Guard anti-aircraft regiment. He died in San Francisco Sunday and will be buried in the San Bruno National Cemetery. His headstone reads: John Harold Sherman, d 8/20/1944, Colonel CAC, Plot: K 2, Bur: 8/25/1944 at Golden Gate National Cemetery.

In civilian life, Colonel Sherman was a warehouse superintendent at the San Diego Naval Air Station, while serving as the commander of the National Guard unit. He was leader of the organization when it went to Hawaii in 1940 and withstood the Pearl Harbor attack on December 7, 1941. The regiment was later transferred to the South Seas in the Pacific and Col. Sherman was stationed there for some time before returning to the United States due to illness.

Col. Sherman had recently been in charge of an anti-aircraft unit at Culver City. He was a veteran of WWI, and his record indicated service with the South Dakota, Minnesota and Oregon National Guards prior to service in San Diego.

The officers widow, Mrs. Roberta Sherman of San Francisco telegraphed Lt. Col. Rudolph Wueste, regiment Executive Officer here. Col Wueste accompanied Col Sherman and the regiment to Hawaii four years ago.

Mrs. Edith Palmer of 485 F St, Chula Vista also received word of the death of Colonel Sherman's first wife, Mrs. Jean Sherman, who resides in Glendale with their four children, Shirley Jean, Patsy, Phyllis and Jack.

Anyone having further information on this military veteran is invited to send it to the Veterans Advisory Commission of Chula Vista.







