

15 March 2007

Dear Elizabeth,

I tried to answer your questions and give you answers, but I could not reconcile my thoughts

I wrote a full sheet of notes, describing myself. Then, I marked up the questionnaire

I hope this is not confusing  
Sincerely, Tom Pryor

John Dyer (this is the original:  
I neglected to copy it  
in its entirety) oops!  
12 March 2007

Dear Elizabeth,

in 1937 I will give you a short brief of my history. I was born in 1937 in Indianapolis, Indiana and had a good collection of friends and playmates. My parents sent me to a private kindergarten that was near. I placed in a mid-term start of class and assimilated very well. The schools were good and I did find that I could easily get good grades. My high school, Howe, graduated me a full year early, 1947.

We moved to Lebanon, Indiana that year and I entered Wabash College for college. The rumblings of war in South Asia were on the horizon, so I applied for a slot at West Point.

I graduated in 1955 and embarked on my military career. I was assigned to the Basic officers school, Airborne school and Ranger school. During the Christmas break I was married and Peggy, my wife, accompanied me all over the world.

I was overseas for a full year, returning to the Tank, Automatic Command. I was then stationed with the English Armor school for one year.

At this point, I returned to the USA  
and one that I did not want!  
I had approximately twelve years in the  
military.

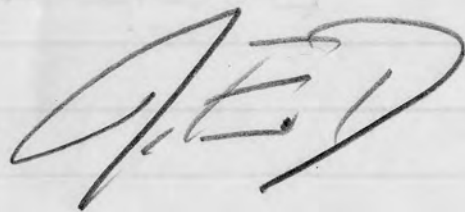
A friend of mine, another West Pointer,  
steered me to the EUCLID division of G.M.  
It was fun! BIG MACHINES!!!  
I did all kinds of good things, with  
great success.

G.M. asked me and my wife to  
go to Saudi Arabia to design and build  
a "World Class" construction equipment  
facility. What fun I had.

After four years, I returned to the  
USA and I was given a very good  
position at G.M. Truck and Coach  
Division.

I then retired with 31 years at  
G.M.

I am



You probably want to use a separate sheet  
to answer -

Elizabeth Mayberry  
History

Questions:

- 1 Name **JOHN E. DRYER (76 YEARS OLD)**
- 2 Date of service **MILITARY:** **HOWE HIGH SCHOOL 3 1/2 YEARS**  
**WABASH COLLEGE 3 YEARS**
- 3 Location in US and overseas **WEST POINT, USMA 4 YEARS**  
**US ARMY 12 YEARS - RESIGNED**  
**GENERAL MOTORS CO. 31 YEARS**
- 4 ~~1~~ Volunteer or drafted? If drafted, did you consider avoiding it or filing as a CO?  
**REGULAR ARMY OFFICER**
- 5 How did you feel about the war before serving? After serving? **I DID MY DUTY**
- 6 How did you feel while in the combat area? **\* NO PROBLEMS OR FEARS**  
**NO!**
- 7 What impressions/ incidents stay with you? **HARD WORK AND GOOD COMRADES.**
- 8 What impact, if any, do you feel service had on your future life? **POSITIVE!**
- 9 Any stories you care to relate? **I WAS HIT BY A HAND GRENADE, THE**  
**DOCTOR TRIED TO KEEP ME OFF MY WORK, BUT I WENT ON MY**  
**MERRY WAY WITH ONE DAY OFF.**
- 10 How were you received when you came home? **I WAS A REGULAR ARMY OFFICER,**  
**AND FULFILLED MY DUTIES.**
- 11 Was it difficult to adjust to civilian life/ US culture? **NO!**
- 12 How did it change you personally, if applicable? **NO CHANGE!**
- 13 Would you visit Vietnam today? Do you think it would be a healing process? **NO!**  
**NO REASON!**
- 14 Did you ever participate in or consider participating in protest rallies? Before or after  
service? **NO!**
- 15 Did any government organizations assist you upon return? If so, were they helpful? **NO!**  
**NO!**
- 16 Did you participate in any self-help groups organized by veterans rather than  
government organizations? **NO!**

Thank you!  
Elizabeth