

Subject: Re: Oklahoma Pride

Date: Fri, 24 Dec 1999 12:08:31 -0600

From: "George Miller" [REDACTED]

To: "Mike Sloniker" [REDACTED]

Mike,

Send it please, Mt Scott and the Easter Pageant Area were our only restriction on landing areas during transition training. I almost landed up there once toward the end of my tour but chickened out. I have wonderful memories of Fort Sill and the surrounding area, gobs of history.

George

----- Original Message -----

From: Mike Sloniker [REDACTED]

To: George Miller <[REDACTED]>

Cc: W.L. SCHULTZ [REDACTED]; <heli-vets@Blu.Org>

Sent: 24 December, 1999 12:09

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> Required reading for me as a 12 year old at Tomlinson Jr High in Lawton (1957)

> was Carbine and Lance. It was the story of the Cavalry in Oklahoma, etc. To

> graduate from High School and Oklahoma State, I had to have classes in Okla

> History.

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> In 1963, I was able to talk to a 90 year old Comanche in Geronimo Okla who told

> me about riding with Geronimo.

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> I have had a life long thirst for historical knowledge because of being able to

> stand on the plains the indians rode on and look out at the Buffalo.

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> Dancing with Wolves is one of my favorite movies.

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> After my Mother's funeral our families went up to Mt Scott and reflected on our

> past. If you want to see Oct 99 pictures from up there, hit me BC.

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> Sloniker, 27 Aug 45 born in Station Hospital, Ft Sill Okla, SSN starts with

> 442(OKLA), and I display the Oklahoma Flag off the house I am house sitting in

> Owego NY.

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> George Miller wrote:

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> > Mike et al,

> > We were renting a house in Lawton in early 68. One day an old woman came

> > to the door apologizing for not welcoming us to the neighborhood sooner. I

> > believe she was in her late 80's and had come to Fort Sill and Lawton in a

> > covered wagon. Her father was the post surgeon. I would walk up to her

> > house when ever I saw her on her porch. She would spin the most wonderful

> > yarns about her early days in Lawton when there were still gun packing

> > cowboys and the last Comanche Chiefs were roaming the area. I lost track of
> > her when we moved into quarters but just before leaving Fort Sill in late
> > 69, I stopped by to say goodbye to her. One of the most interesting people
> > I have ever met.
> > George
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: Mike Sloniker [REDACTED]
> > To: W.L. SCHULTZ [REDACTED]
> > Cc: <heli-vets@Blu.Org>
> > Sent: 24 December, 1999 11:28
> > Subject: Re: Oklahoma Pride
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> > > Everybody is wanted in Lawton, the last lawless city in Okla. Just ask
> > the
> > > Daily Oklahoman.
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> > > What a heritage our ancestors passed to us.
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> > > Sooner born, and Sooner bred,
> > >
> > > But an Oklahoma State graduate.
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> > > Mike Sloniker
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> > > "W.L. SCHULTZ" wrote:
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> > > > Mike,
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> > > > Ya mean ol' one-eye Wiley, pilot to that trick roper?? My
> > > > grandmother in OKC, bless her, told me after I announced I wanted to be
> > > > a pilot, that I "oughtr" avoid them one-eyed aviators and stick to the
> > > > "earth." She died in '61 and when I graduated from Eustis in '65, I
> > > > could hear her spinnin' over all the way up in VA. She flew one time in
> > > > her life: a Ford Tri-Motor from OKC to DEN. She made grandpa bring her
> > > > home on the Super-Chief. She said that coal smoke was much preferable to
> > > > castor-oil vapor and that "God-awful-noise", so high up, was just silly
> > > > and too scary for any lady!!!
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> > > > Regards, LarrySchultz, Wanted in Lawton
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