**Notes on Mansell.com Fukuoka 18-B rosters and documents for Fukuoka #18 dead**

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**Rosters**:

Rosters links to a 142-page PDF of original documents including:

p. 13 “Isle of Kiushu Camp Sisabo, Death List Veteran” in chronological order of DOD; errors: inclusion of George Dillon (died in Fuk 01) and spelling errors.

p. 30-33 (p. 31 is duplicate of 30) “Death List” in alpha order except for 7 names appended at the end and one out of order on p. 31. All 53 listed, but with spelling errors.

**Archival Documents**:

Fuk-18\_Death\_roster\_RG407\_Bx187 “List of the American Deceased (Fukuoka Soto camp)” in chronological order of DOD but leads with first names (FIRST, middle, last); errors: missing last 6 men to die, some illegible entries, spelling errors.

Fuk-18\_Death\_certificates\_RG407\_Bx187 “Death Reports 1942-43” 95-page PDF of Japanese cards paired with abridged English translations, chrono order; errors: missing last 7 men to die, spelling errors, some omitted translation.

Fuk-18\_Death\_certificates\_RG331Bx925 is 59-page PDF of 1946 SCAP set of translated death certs in alpha order, more detailed than the RG407 group; errors: inclusion of George Dillon and Joseph Truy (died at Fuk-01), missing Fred Zeh; pages 55-59 include note on Dillon and the certificate for Truy.

“Roster of Deceased from Japanese Records” links to index for all Fukuoka Camps> Fukuoka No. 18 Branch Camp (Yunoki) opens to table by POW Research Network Japan, rev Sep 2008: 2 groups in alpha order totaling all 53 men. Set No. 1 is the last 7 to die, set No. 2 in alpha order is the earlier 46 deaths through 1 Oct 1943; minor errors.

“List of Dead” page one is unattributed typed document “Camp 18 Japan” [should be credited to survivor Logan Kay’s unpublished 1971 memoir, “By the Dawn’s Early Light”] containing all 53 men in chrono order of DOD, though he abbreviated or misspelled many names, and some DODs are wrong. Page two, also unattributed, titled “CPNAB Casualties: Died from Natural Causes in Prison Camps,” is inaccurate. This is [p. 27] from “A Report to Returned CPNAB Prisoner of War Heroes and Their Dependents,” by the Pacific Island Employees Foundation, 1945 (aka the “Blue Book”), compiled before access to official records and far short of the 114 (Wake) POW camp deaths, so not an accurate or reliable source [Phil Eakins used both of these docs in his research for the 2010 plaque and notes that the CPNAB list was the basis for 1956 Soto Dam memorial.]

“Soto Dam New Plaque:” [2010] alpha list of all 53 names (thanks to Phil!)

Note: Under **Camp Reports:** Wilcox Diary is a two-page transcribed excerpt of survivor Lee Wilcox’s wartime diary with unfortunately jumbled dates (mixing some 1942 Wake events into the 1943 chronology), details on Camp 18 deaths up to last entry of 4 July 1943, but missing all 9 deaths after that date, as well as Nicks.

**CONFIRMED ROSTER OF 53 SASEBO DEAD**

Bailey, George Edward 02/07/43

Brown, Edward James 05/06/43

Davis, Lee Russell 04/21/43

Dixon, Theron B. 03/08/43

Dyer, Fredrick Edward 10/01/43

Easter, George Caley 02/26/44

Esmay, Wayne Edic 02/19/43

Farstvedt, Knut 03/27/43

Follett, Frank Fay 03/23/43

Franklin, Mark Baum 01/12/43

Gehman, Ralph Alison 02/23/44

Greve, Louis 03/15/43

Grim, William Bertson 03/10/43

Hance, Loren Howard 04/25/43

Hardisty, Herbert Arthur 07/04/43

Hart, Irving Warren, III 03/18/43

Hensel, Theodore Frederick, Sr. 05/01/43

Hewson, Albert Arthur 01/11/43

Hill, Norman Lester 06/04/43

Huntley, John William 03/01/43

Jimison, Harold Elmore 12/09/42

Johnson, Edwin Waldeman 03/30/43

Kelly, Frederick William 03/09/43

Kelly, Samuel Dowie 10/26/43

Kelso, Orval Allen 04/08/43

Kent, Lloyd Robert 02/29/44

Knox, Elbert Henry 01/15/44

Larson, Julius Leonard 02/17/43

Lindquist, William Oscar 02/22/43

McEvers, Ralph 03/22/43

McKeehan, Lloyd Sterling 02/25/43

Meyer, Lester Theodore 04/29/43

Miller, Charles Myrlin 02/14/43

Miller, Franklin Bott, Jr. 04/27/43

Miller, Silas Warren 03/21/43

Nicks, Quinton Doak, IV 04/02/43

Niklaus, John Florian 01/26/43

Nygard, Andrew 03/15/43

O'Neal, John Hubert 02/27/43

Pawlofske, Richard Paul 02/17/43

Peterson, Hjalmar Magnus 11/02/42

Proteau, George Francis 03/30/43

Proteau, Lawrence Harold 03/23/43

Puccetti, Elmer 03/12/43

Reid, Russell 08/16/43

Robbins, Paul James 03/25/43

Stone, Clinton Manchester 03/20/43

Thomas, Owen Griffith 04/30/43

Villa, Edward Elyson 03/20/43

Walker, George Milton 05/04/43

Williams, Donald Macleod 03/09/43

Yeramian, Vahran John 01/05/44

Zeh, Frederick 02/28/44