

Guest, William F.

**William F. Guest, S1/C,
Aboard USS Texas
In Five Invasions**

William F. Guest, 25, Seaman First Class, USNR, whose wife lives at 438 East Laurel Street, served aboard the USS Texas in five invasions and during 50 consecutive days of the Okinawa campaign.

Throughout the bombardment, Guest and other crew men slept less than four hours out of 24. They started pounding the Japs on Okinawa seven days before amphibious forces landed and then 43 days helped ground troops thin out enemy lines with their big guns.

Guest's ship is the only American battleship to have dealt with the enemy in waters off three continents—Africa, Europe and Asia. She participated in the invasions of

North Africa, Normandy, Southern France and Iwo Jima.

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