

One of our own comes to light from 1934. "Eddie Urban - The Lake Erie Listener." **Edward Henry Urban W8SZT \*1918-2006\*** Of Cleveland Heights Ohio - early MF & SW Listener post from Silsby Road - Cleveland Heights. Eddie first came to light by his membership in the old Newark News Radio Club. The club had recognition and posted pictures of early members.



Eddie was age 19 and would be a grad of Cleveland Heights and was very active in the high school band. He started Dxing in 1934 when he heard Europe for the first time on his Majestic 8 tube receiver.

Little did we realize our subject would join the 82<sup>nd</sup> Air Borne - All American Division - and be in for the duration of WW2 as an Army Paratrooper.

I first knew of Eddie by my frequent Internet visits. This year 2007 many of his verification cards appeared on the Internet. Urban seemed like an average boy in pursuit of SWL and I immediately had a desire to ascertain who he was and what became of him. There was some early personal history on the Internet postings of Edward Urban under shortwave monitoring by friends of the Newark News Radio Club and the Cleveland Radio Club.

Ms Snow of the Jacksonville, FL Central Library came through and advised us of the following; Florida Times Union, Jacksonville, FL dated 18 Jan 2006; Urban - Funeral services for Edward Henry Urban 87, will be held at 2P.M. Thursday from Oaklawn Cemetery with Rev. Terry A. Lucarelli officiating.

Born 15 April 1918 in Cleveland, Ohio - Mr. Urban expired Monday January 16<sup>th</sup> 2006 in Jacksonville. He served in the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne United States Army during World Was II, was retired from the U.S. Postal Service and was founding member of Lakewood Presbyterian Church.



A loving husband and father, Mr. Urban is survived by his wife of 64 years, Mrs. Mary Margaret Stevens Urban; Daughter Mrs Laurel Urban (Raymond Paul) Smith. Son Dr. Edward Steven (Nancy All) Urban and an grandson Edward A. Urban, of Jacksonville. Under direction by George H. Hewell and Son Funeral Home University Boulevard, South where friends may call.

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