

USAG Bavaria RSO Story Board

Chaplain Bastogne Trip

Concept of Operations

48 U.S. Soldiers, DA Civilians and Family Members followed in the footsteps of the famous Band of Brothers Easy Company E when they visited World War II battlefields to mark the 73rd anniversary of the Battle of the Bulge this weekend. USAG Bavaria, 1/91 CAV and 4-2 CR Chaplains coordinated with the BOSS leadership for this Spiritual Fitness trip that included a wreath laying ceremony and tour of the Luxembourg American Cemetery and complete the historic Bastogne NUTS walk. The Battle of the Bulge began Dec. 16, 1944 and lasted about a month and a half. It was Germany's last major offensive on the Western Front in World War II. During the bitter, winter fighting in the densely forested Ardennes region American soldiers were sometimes outnumbered 6-to-1.

Way Ahead

1. This is a must repeat event.
2. Involve NCOs and Junior Soldiers.
3. Involve Chaplains BOSS reps and Soldiers to provide these opportunities.

"It's one thing to read history; it is quite another to see it, feel it and experience it firsthand. (When you) go right to the site, (it) ties everything together so that you can get the bigger picture. It sort of brings out the realness of the event and separates it from fiction."
~ CH (COL) Kevin Pies, USAG Bavaria Garrison Chaplain

Photo Highlights



Luxembourg Am. Cemetery



Bastogne a crossroads



Easy Co. Memorial



Hanging out with Band of Brothers



NUTS Walk 7/14/21 KM



Enroute Bastogne!

