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## Gary Leib



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	Aviation Boatswain Mate 3rd Class Gary Leib.
	F6F Hellcat radio controlled experimental flight from U.S.S. Boxer CV-21. Photo taken while the Boxer cruised in the Sea of Japan, off the eastern coast of North Korea, circa 1952, and appeared in Bill Harris's book <i>The Congressional Medal of Honor</i> . (May be restricted. Patrons desiring to use this photograph should contact the ALPL Audio-Visual Curator.)
	Gary Evans Leib and shipmates photographing a radio controlled F6F Hellcat aboard the USS Boxer, off the coast of North Korea, circa 1952. An F6F is seen on the port catapult, and an AD4 is positioned on the starboard catapult. (Narrator's photo)
	Gary Evans Leib, Aviation Boatswain Mate 3rd Class. Photo was taken aboard the U.S.S. Boxer in Japan during Leib's third tour of duty in the Korean War, 1952. (Narrator's photo)
	Landing of Corsair aboard U.S.S. Boxer CV-21. Arrows indicate rockets which the plane is in the process of losing. One of Leib's shipmate's was injured while trying to stop one of the run-away rockets, circa 1952. (Narrator's photo)

	<p>Official U.S. Navy photo of U.S.S. Boxer CV-21. The aircraft in the foreground are Corsair F40s returning from a mission over Korea, 1951. (This image is considered to be in the public domain)</p>
	<p>Official U.S. Navy photo of U.S.S. Boxer CV-21. Pilot's view of his approach toward the flight deck. Korea, 1952. (This image is considered to be in the public domain)</p>
	<p>Official U.S. Navy photo of U.S.S. Boxer CV-21. Aircraft are Panther F9Fs returning from a mission over North Korea. Another aircraft carrier and a cruiser can be seen in the background. (This image is considered to be in the public domain)</p>
	<p>Official U.S. Navy photo of U.S.S. Boxer CV-21 following return from her first tour in the Korean War. The photograph was taken as the ship passed beneath the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco on November 11, 1950. (This image is considered to be in the public domain)</p>
	<p>Shipmates (left to right): Murl Laird from Sitkum, Oregon, Gary E. Leib, Dudley Kovairk from Omaha and Norfolk, Nebraska (deceased), and John Boden (deceased) from Greenfield, Ohio. (Narrator's photo)</p>
	<p>This group of officers and sailors was recommended for decorations for bravery during the fire and explosions of August 6, 1952. Ship's Captain, Marshall B. Gurney and war correspondent representing the Associated Press &amp; United Press, for Edward R Morrow at far right of photograph. Leib is in the center, back of the photograph. (This image is considered to be in the public domain)</p>

	<p>Gary briefly dated Teruyo Honda during his third tour to Korea in 1952. Teruyo's family had been Japanese civil servants living in Shanghai during the war. Her own story was a harrowing one of survival and flight after the war. (Narrator's photo)</p>
	<p>Gary Evans Leib in front of a fire ravaged airplane following the fire and explosions aboard the U.S.S Boxer CV-21 on August 6, 1952. Note that his face and clothing are blackened by smoke and the heat of the fire. Leib was credited with saving nine lives that day, and cited for bravery. Photo taken by shipmate John Boden. (Narrator's photo)</p>
	<p>Gary Evans Leib in front of a fire ravaged airplane following the fire and explosions aboard the U.S.S Boxer CV-21 on August 6, 1952. This is one of the more than a dozen aircraft destroyed in the fire. Photo taken by shipmate John Boden. (Narrator's photo)</p>
	<p>Shipmate Bill Johnson drew this cartoon depicting Leib's reluctant departure from the USS Boxer on the occasion of Leib's shipment home. The artist appears in the lower left. (May be restricted. Patrons desiring to use this photograph should contact the ALPL Audio-Visual Curator.)</p>
	<p>Shipmate and resident artist Bill Johnson, who memorialized Gary Leib's departure from the USS Boxer. (Narrator's photo)</p>
	<p>The citation Gary Leib received for bravery following the devastating fire and explosions that ripped through the USS Boxer on August 6, 1952. (Narrator's document)</p>