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An Interview with Joseph T. Flynn

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**Biographical Information Overview of Interview:** Joseph Flynn was born in Chicago, Illinois on June 7th, 1920 to Irish immigrants and came from a family of eleven children. Five of his siblings were in the service during WWII. He and his brother were drafted prior to Pearl Harbor and the country's entry into the war, thinking they would fulfill their duty in fourteen months. Flynn eventually served almost four years, from November, 1941 through October, 1945, mostly with artillery units as a unit medic. After an extensive period of training in the United States, he was shipped to England and assigned to the 941st Field Artillery Regiment, V (Fifth) Corps, 1st Army. The unit landed on Omaha Beach in Normandy seven days after the D-Day landings on June 6th. He served with the 941st as it drove across northern France and into Germany.

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