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An Interview with Daniel (Dannie) Foulke

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Biographical Information & Synopsis: Daniel (Dannie) Foulke was born on July 30, 1932 in Cuba, Illinois. Dannie dropped out of high school and joined the U.S. Army in March 1949, attending basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri, where he received training as an engineer. He arrived in Korea (Pusan Perimeter) on August 10, 1950, where he was assigned to the First Cavalry Division. Dannie spent three years straight in Korea, but elected not to be interviewed about his first two years, while serving with the 1st Cavalry as an Engineer. He was assigned to the 76th Construction Engineer Battalion, in the 2nd Engineer Group, 8th Army. While in the 76th, Dannie was a construction foreman in the unit, working on numerous projects, including bridges, a ROK training camp, POW compounds, water towers, road construction, mine clearing, demolition, and others. Most notably, he worked on bridges over the Han River, and later the POW exchange compound at Panmunjom, where North Korean and Chinese prisoners were processed after the armistice was signed in July of 1953. The compound was also used to process American and UN prisoners coming south. Following the war, Dannie returned to the states, reenlisted, then returned to Japan, and later to South Korea. He married a Japanese woman during this time, and eventually was assigned to Germany, an unaccompanied tour. He completed his enlistment in 1962 after twelve years in the service.

Topics Covered: 1st Cavalry Division during Korean War; 76th Construction Engineer Battalion; Second Engineer Group, Eighth Army during Korean War; Freedom Village; Yong Dung P'o, South Korea; Panmunjom, Korea; Munson, South Korea; engineer during the Korean War.

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