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B.J. Dodd's home

on the date(s) of March 27, 1996

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B.J. Dodd Date: 3-27-96
Interviewee's Signature

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Jeff Bellamy Date: 3-27-96
Interviewer's Signature

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INTERVIEWEE BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Name: B. J. Dodd M/F: Male

Address: 2 Edgemon + Dr. Gadsden, AL 35904

Phone number(s): 547-5328

Approximate age or date of birth: ~~0000~~ July 2, 1924

Mothers name: Eva Dodd

Father's name: John R. Dodd

Places lived and when: Gadsden for 18 years, then drafted, moved Tampa 1946 lived there for 47 years, moved back to Gadsden, 1993.

Education: High school

Religion: Baptist

Business, political and social memberships (past and present): Democratic

Present occupation: Retired

Former occupations: Railroad Engineer

Special Skills: None

Major Accomplishments: Railroad accomplishment - never got a demerit.

National Events in which interviewee has participated: World War II.

Local Events in which interviewee has participated: None

National born U.S. citizen? Yes No Naturalized Citizen: Yes No

Country from which he/she emigrated: unknown

Documents, photographs, and artifacts which are in the possession of the interviewee: Has a gun, knife, and a watch.

Individuals recommended by the interviewee who might be candidates for an oral history interview: none

Additional information: _____

B.J. Dodd
by Jeff Bellamy

World War II Interview

- I. The background information of Mr. B.J. Dodd.
 - A. He was born in Gadsden.
 - B. He was nineteen when he was drafted.

- II. What happened after you were enlisted?
 - A. He was taken to Georgia for training.
 - B. He was then taken to Virginia to go over seas.

- III. What went on during the war?
 - A. Mr. Dodd fought in battles at Italy.
 1. The Volturno river was a battle.
 2. The Anzio Beach Head incident was the other he fought in Italy.
 - B. Mr. Dodd also fought in Southern France.

- IV. Dachau was the German Concentration camp they captured.

- V. His war was over in Munich Germany.
 - A. He got sick.
 - B. The American superiors selected him to drive them around Germany.

- VI. The most horrifying experiences of the war was Anzio.