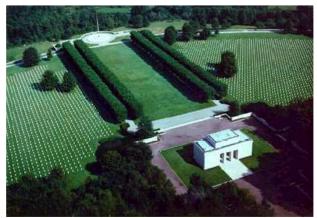
Epinal

EPINAL AMERICAN CEMETERY



Aerial View of Cemetery



Memorial



103^d Division Graves at Epinal

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This World War II American Battle Monuments Cemetery and Memorial is located approximately 4 miles southeast of Epinal (Vosges), France on Road D-157 in the village of Dinoze-Quequement. It can be reached by automobile via toll Autoroute A-4 eastward to the Nancy Exit. Take Highway N-57 and exit at Arches-Dinoze. Hotel accommodations and taxi service can be found in Epinal and vicinity.

The cemetery is 48 acres in extent. It is located on a plateau 100ft above the Moselle River in the foothills of the Vosges Mountains. It contains the graves of 5,255

American military dead. It was established in October 1944 by the 46th Quartermaster Graves Registration Co. of the U.S. 7th Army as it drove northward from southern France through the Rhone Valley into Germany.

The memorial consists of a chapel, portico and museum room with a mosaic operations map.

On the walls of the Court of Honor, which surround the memorial, are inscribed the names of <u>424 Americans who</u> gave their lives in the service of their country and who rest in unknown graves.

On May 12, 1958, 13 caskets draped with American flags were placed side by side at the memorial at Epinal American Cemetery. Each Casket contained the remains of one WW II "Unknown" American serviceman; one from each of the 13 permanent American military cemeteries in the European Theater of Operations. In a solemn ceremony, General Edward J. O'Neill, Commanding Gen. of the U.S. Army Communication Zone, Europe, selected the "Unknown" to represent the European Theater. It was flown to Naples Italy and placed with "Unknowns" from the Atlantic and Pacific Theaters of Operations aboard the USS Blandy for transportation to Washington, DC for final selection of the "Unknown" from WW II. On Memorial Day, 1958, this "Unknown" was buried along side the "Unknown" from WW I at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery.

Summer: Open hours are from 9:00am to 6;00pm Winter: Open hours are from 9:00am to 5:00pm