

Afterglow

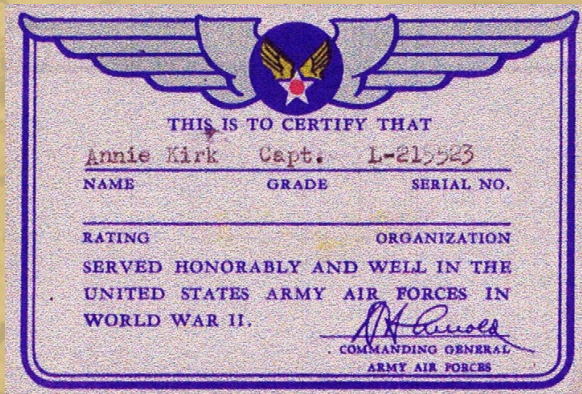
I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one.
I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life
is done.

I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down
the ways, of happy times and laughing times and
bright and sunny days.

I'd like the tears of those who grieve to dry
before the sun of happy memories that I leave
behind when life is done.



ARKANSAS



Anne Coe

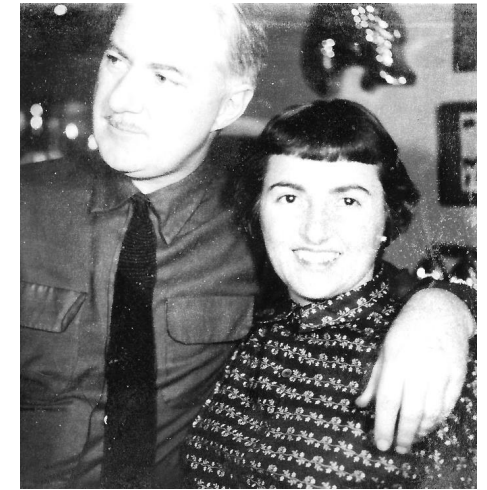
May 6, 1916 - February 23, 2012

Annie Sadlowski was born in Butler, PA on Saturday, May 6, 1916, the fourth of six children of Wasil Sadlowski and his wife, Tecla Ezak, who emigrated from Ukraine along with Anne's older sister, Mary, born in 1905 and brother John in 1909. Sister Tillie was born in PA in 1914, followed by Anne in 1916 and younger sister, Jennie, in 1919. Anne graduated from East Syracuse High School in 1933. On October 16, 1937 she married Laurence H. Kirk, Jr. Their marriage ended in divorce. Anne enlisted in the United States Army, Womens Army Auxiliary Corps, in April, 1942, in Rochester, NY and received Basic Training in Des Moines, IA. Upon completion, Anne was selected for two months of additional training in administrative personnel work whereupon she was sent to Charleston, SC with a WAAC company of 150 persons assigned to the Signal Corps. She served as company clerk of the WAAC unit.



Later, Anne passed the requirements for Officer's Candidate School (OCS) and was sent to Boston, MA, as a Second Lieutenant (WAAC) - Supply Officer. She was then assigned to the 51st WAC Training Center, Daytona Beach, FL, as a Platoon Officer. Before year end, she was reassigned to Philadelphia, PA to again serve with the Signal Corps, this time replacing three male officers at Signal Corps Headquarters. She served as the Civil Air Raid Warning Officer, directing 44 civilian volunteers 24/7. Anne held this position for eight months and received a promotion to First Lieutenant. Next, She was reassigned to the Pentagon, to the section deploying troops to both theaters of war. Subsequently, Anne was assigned to serve with the European United Strategic Air Force Headquarters at Teddington, England as an Aide to General Joseph T. Morris, who had been appointed Commander of the Eighth Air Force Service Command. The following January he became chief of maintenance for the U.S. Strategic Air Forces in the European theater, and Anne's responsibilities grew. In February, 1945 he assumed command of the 12th Air Force Service Command.

Accompanying the General to France in December, 1944, Anne was in theater at the outbreak of the Battle of the Bulge, perhaps the only woman in that monumental battle. Subsequently, Headquarters was moved to Ste. Germaine en Laye, France, where Anne was posted until the end of the War, receiving an honorable discharge in October, 1945. She received the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, World War Two Victory Medal and Women's Army Corps Service Medal. Her rank at the time of discharge was Captain.



In the mid-1940's Anne met Richard Erlich Coe. He was nine years older, having been born February 2, 1907. They were married in Syracuse, NY, on July 22, 1947. They had no children. Richard was President of Coe Advertising Agency (1939-1959); a television director/producer (1959-1962) and President, Richard E. Coe Agency, Beverly Hills, CA (1963-1975). In 1965, Richard became a member of the Sons of the Revolution, and Anne was active with him in the Society for the balance of his life. Later in life, Richard was a professional genealogist and certified American Lineage Specialist.

Through Richard's work in genealogy, Anne became educated and interested in the field herself. Richard served as Library Director, Sons of the Revolution Library (1973-1986), and was intimately involved with the selection of the current site of the Library. Anne served in the Library as his assistant, and upon his death on January 17, 1987 she assumed duties as Librarian. She was employed as the Librarian until her retirement in December, 2006, serving the Society for 33 years. Anne had a life-long love of cats, and all things cat. She was an accomplished artist and sculptor, and lived in retirement at El Molino Rose Villa, in Pasadena, California.