



CAPTAIN BUCKLEY RETURNS HOME TO AUGUSTA FROM KOREA—The first Augustan to come home since the start of hostilities in Korea was Captain John Lawrence Buckley. Met by a crowd of well-wishers in addition to his relatives and friends, Captain Buckley was the recipient of a "Key to Augusta," presented by Mayor W. D. Jennings. In the family reunion at the railroad station were, left to right, Captain Buckley's brother, Donald, his sister, Patricia, his mother, Mrs. John T. Buckley, Captain Buckley, and his father, John T. Buckley. (Photo by Frank Christian—Courtesy of The Augusta Herald).

Augusta Accords Hero's Welcome to Captain Buckley, Home From Korea

AUGUSTA, Ga.—Augustans extended a hero's welcome to Captain John Lawrence Buckley, son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Buckley, as he arrived here on July 3, from the Korean battlefield.

Captain Buckley was welcomed by a crowd of well-wishers when he arrived at the Union Station on the Southern's Alton-Augusta Special after a trip across the continent from Seattle through Canada. In addition to his parents and his brother and sister, a host of relatives and friends were on hand to welcome him.

Greeted by music of an Army Band from Camp Gordon, a sign borne by Boy Scouts also welcomed Captain Buckley.

Brief exercises were held on a platform erected in the station, where Ray Campbell, president of the Chamber of Commerce, presided and introduced Mayor William D. Jennings, who presented Captain Buckley with a floral key to the city. Others who voiced welcomes were Brigadier General John A. Dabney, of Camp Gordon; Millard Beckum, representing the Chamber of Commerce, and Monsignor James J. Grady, pastor of St. Mary's-on-The-Hill Church.

All Augustans was proud last year when dispatches from Korea reported that Captain Buckley, then a lieutenant, had led a spearhead infantry unit which dashed more than twenty miles behind enemy lines and captured valuable documents, maps and Russian-made equipment, and then returned successfully to the American lines. The penetration, classed as a definite U. N. victory in Associated Press dispatches from the Korean front, was the deepest and most daring thus far in the war. The reconnaissance force was under constant enemy machine and sniper fire all the way.

Captain Buckley is a veteran of World War II, having received the Purple Heart after being wounded in battle in the European theatre. Just before he was assigned to Japan, where he was stationed when hostilities broke out in Korea, he received a presidential citation and other decorations.

For moving among his men and directing their efforts, leading encouragement and improving conditions, and for his "heroic leadership and calm courage" under fire, Captain Buckley was awarded the Silver Star Medal last fall, and since that time an Oak Leaf Chapter.

Born in Augusta, Captain Buckley attended Mount St. Joseph Academy, Richmond Academy and the Junior College of Augusta. He later was a student at the University of Georgia, where he majored in political science.

Following his graduation from the university, he entered the Officers Candidate School at Fort Benning, where he received his commission as lieutenant. He was assigned to the 9th Infantry Division and fought from the invasion of Normandy until he was wounded in action. After recovery from his wounds, in a hospital in Belgium, he rejoined his unit for combat duty until V-E Day.

Following demobilization, he went to New York where he was in business for a year before deciding to make military service a career.

Captain Buckley's father is the president of the Augusta Branch of the Catholic Laymen's Association of Georgia and a past grand knight of Patrick Walsh Council, K. of C. His mother is active in the work of the Augusta Deannery Council of Catholic Women.

Lyman W. Marks, Allen L. Marks and John A. Marks, all of Savannah; three sisters, Mrs. Earl Herbert, Mrs. R. M. Chenet and Mrs. Conrad Bourgeois, of Fordschoe, La.; two brothers, Winfield Marks, Garden City, and Malcolm Marks, St. Petersburg, Fla., and six grandchildren.

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Lee Roberts Marks Dies in Savannah

SAVANNAH, Ga.—Lee Robert Marks, popular Savannah Sugar Refining Corporation official, died on July 13, funeral services being held at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, with Father Daniel J. McCarthy officiating.

Mr. Marks was one of the few remaining sugar refinery employees who came to Savannah when the refinery was moved here from Adeline, Louisiana. In his capacity as engineer at the refinery he designed a number of packaging machines and improvements which were later adopted by refineries elsewhere throughout the country.

A native of Plattsville, La., Mr. Marks had resided in Savannah for thirty years. He was a veteran member of Savannah Council, Knights of Columbus.

Surviving Mr. Marks are his wife, Mrs. Ettrieda Marks; three daughters, Mrs. Heid McFeeley, Mrs. V. J. Romogosa and Mrs. William Dickey, all of Savannah; five sons, Lee R. Marks, Jr., Carl M. Marks,