



San Diego Chapter 1 Member Biography

Dr. Robert Moore

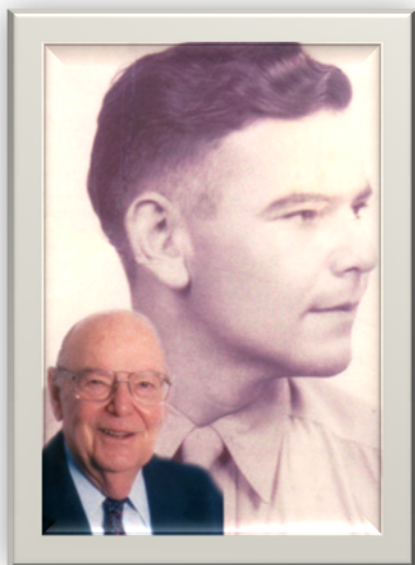
WPFC Robert Moore's division landed at Normandy on August 1st, 1944 and encircled the towns of St. Nazaire and L'Orient as General George S. Patton's army moved out of the area. A German sympathizer supplied the unit with false intelligence which caused the entrapment of Moore's patrol, leading to his capture.

He was imprisoned 5 miles offshore on the Isle de Groix, then under bombardment by U.S. Forces.

A fearless Red Cross officer, Gerow Hodges, recognized not only the starvation diet to which the prisoners were subjected, but the extreme danger from the friendly artillery fire.

Hodges was able to arrange and exchange of prisoners that released Moore to an Allied hospital, where he began to recover some of the weight he lost while in captivity.

After the war, Moore became a physician. Among his varied medical posts, Dr. Moore served as chief of the admitting service at the VA Research Hospital in Chicago as well as spending fifteen years in occupational



medicine with the Navy at San Diego, from which post he retired in 2002.