

## [Retyped Letter]

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Mr. Erbstoesser:

Regardless of what Cornet, Life, or any other magazine reported, Audie did not give any of his medals to Weldon H. Burns. Audie drove out on a country road, some where around Farmersville, and scattered them and they are probably still covered by the blackest dirt in Texas or in some metal detectors collection.....

Weldon was too young to remember if anything was engraved on the back or not.

As far as his family knows, none of the medals on display any where are original. The BAR at the Smithsonian is the only original. His jacket is also there. Any military items that his oldest sister had are there.

The Greenville Library has some articles on display. Most are connected with his later career. Some letters concerning military maybe there, however, no original medals .....

Sorry could not help.

(Signed)  
Mrs. Weldon H. Burns<sup>2</sup>

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## [Envelope Details]

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<sup>3</sup> Comment made by Stan Smith on return address: "These 3 lines were hand written on the envelope. However, not by Patsy. The "P" in Patsy's signature in no way resembles the "P" in Prairie.