



United States Navy Sea Bag, 1945

Used by Ed Strohmeier, of Frankfort, Kentucky, this sea bag chronicles the owner's service in the Pacific theater during World War II. Making the bag a kind of travel log, Strohmeier added the name of each place, from training camp to the ship home, he was stationed or saw action. Strohmeier joined the navy during World War II and was attached as a corpsman to the Sixth Marine Division. The addition of this information and the artwork transform a mundane duffel bag into a kind of diary.

Donated by Ed Strohmeier, 1987.51.14

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