



Ulysses G. Buzzard Memorial Post 12130



PHILIPPINES



Chartered: February 08, 2013

Location: Cebu City, Cebu, Philippines

Commander-in-Chief: John E. Hamilton

POST COMMANDERS

YEAR

2013 -2014
2014 - 2015:

COMMANDER

Cdr Alex Roese
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CITATION

Post Installation
All-State

2015 – 2016:	Cdr Mike Tierney	All-American
2016 – 2017:	Cdr Mike Tierney	All-American
2017 – 2018:	Cdr Yusuf Nurriddin	All-American
2018 – 2019:	Cdr Yusuf Nurriddin	
2019 – 2020:	Cdr Scott Stinson	
2020 – 2021:	Cdr Don Carr/Bob Stone	All- American
2021 – 2022:	Cdr Kim Osbourn	All-American
2022 – 2023:	Cdr Melvin Stanton	

History behind the Post Name

**Ulysses G. Buzzard Memorial Post 12130 Cebu City, Cebu, Philippines;
chartered 2/08/2013**

Ulysses G. Buzzard

Date OF BIRTH: January 31, 1865

PLACE OF BIRTH: Armstrong, Pennsylvania

HOME OF RECORD: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania



Medal of Honor

AWARDED FOR ACTIONS

During the Spanish-American War

Service: Army

Division: 17th U.S. Infantry

General Orders

Date of Issue: June 24, 1899

Sgt. Ulysses G. Buzzard was a recipient of the prestigious American Medal of Honor for extraordinary heroism in the midst of heavy enemy fire in Cuba on July 1, 1898 during the Spanish-American War. The medal citation given to him reads, "Private Buzzard gallantly assisted in the rescue of the wounded from in front of the lines and under heavy fire from the enemy." He was then a private when he and a bunch of other fellow soldiers were informed by their quartermaster that their commander, Lt. Col. Haskins, had been wounded while doing reconnaissance prior to an attack at El Caney, Cuba. Upon hearing this, Buzzard and four others immediately stood up and ran to where the colonel lay and dragged him to safety. The colonel eventually died of his wounds, but the heroism of Buzzard lived on. In fact, it will live on now that his name is forever etched on a US Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 12130, right here in Cebu.



Right to Left:
Ulysses, The Nanny, Young Jack, Wife Enrica

But what brought Buzzard to Cebu was not the war. It was a woman named Enrica (the O escapes us now unfortunately, although I have a feeling it stands for "Ouano") whom Ulysses married. Born on Jan. 31, 1865, Ulysses died at the age of 74 on Aug. 2, 1939. Enrica, born in 1902, lived many more years and passed away on March 30, 1962 at the age of 60.

February 09, 2013

Installation of Officers was held:

Commander: Alex Roese

Senior Vice Commander: Stephen E. Fairchild

Junior Vice Commander: Michael A. Franke

Quartermaster: Michael P. Tierney

Judge Advocate: Franke J, Sass

Chaplain: Rodney Bell

Surgeon: Brian L. Barlett

One Year Trustee: Charles L. Fricke
Two Year Trustee: Gary L. McKnight
Three Year Trustee: Tony W. Ritchie
Adjutant: Michael P. Tierney
Service Officer: Michael P. Tierney
Legislative Officer: Franke J, Sass
Historian: Rodney Bell

In February 2013, 49 veterans now living in Cebu, were finally given their own Veterans Memorial Post (Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 12130), which was named after Ulysses G. Buzzard. And so, on inauguration day, the veterans went to Buzzard's grave to offer flowers to him and his wife.



Born: January 31, 1865
Died: August 02, 1939