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Sent: Monday, May 26, 2014 6:18 PM
To: Carol Pullen (E-mail); Donna Petersen (E-mail); Evelyn Marchese (E-mail); Keith/Sue Pullen (E-mail); Ruth Soklow (E-mail)
Subject: RE: Well, it's a start!

Oh, my! Orlin left before Darrell - probably during the summer of 1943 - and Darrell left during the semester break in late December of 1943 or early January '44. I left home the summer of '44 to live in Idaho, so was not home when Darrell was able to be home on a furlough before going overseas - to England, we found out later. Maybe you can do the math. I think they were both 17+ years old at the time of their enlistment: Orlin left before his 18th birthday in June, '43, -- and Darrell left six months after his 17th July birthday. Military service was mandatory for boys when they became 18. I hope that is right. Darrell served about 16 months - if my math is correct.

Yes, each branch of the service had their own air corps; Army, Navy and such ---- They were all later combined into the US Air Force.

Mom

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From: Carol Pullen [<mailto:Carol.Pullen@Pulleninc.com>]
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To: Adavern@PullenInc.com
Subject: RE: Well, it's a start!

That's a great job, Mom!

More, more! So, how old was Darrell when he volunteered for the Army Air Corps (the precursor to the Air Force)? Seventeen? And, similarly, how long was he in the service before he died? I'm just trying to figure out the timeline. How long after Pearl Harbor did Orlin and Darrell sign up?