

BTFN ALEX L. SANCHEZ 1 September 1950-54

Sailors' Efforts Forgotten

"I enjoyed the article by James Brady ("Korea".) However, I take exception to his statement that "our battleships and cruisers shelled enemy ridge lines; and our sailors puked up their guts on the Sea of Japan."

I was onboard destroyer USS FRANK E. EVANS (DD-754). In between puking, we managed to bombard Wonsan Harbor, Hungnam, Tanchon, Songjin, Yongdon, Chongjin, Kojo and some of the front lines themselves. We also managed to rescue three downed pilots. And we were the screen and escorts for the carriers, battleships and cruisers of Task Force 77 that Brady thinks were manned by Marines."

Alex Sanchez, Yuma, Ariz.

From VETVOICE, The American Legion Magazine, December 2000

Contributed by ICI Francis L. Anderson