



The Kinney saga began in Alabama more than 100 years ago with Agnes (holding baby) and Daniel Kinney to her right



"Gabe," as a little boy
2nd from left – front row

"Gabe," one of 12 children who lived to adulthood, was born in Stouts Mountain, a small farming community in Cullman County, Alabama. His mother, Agnes, was from Scotland, and his father, Daniel, was from Ireland. "Gabe" married his sweetheart, the former Elena Harris, seen left, on their 1945 wedding day. The couple celebrated their "75th Wedding Anniversary" September 8, 2020, from their Daphne, AL home with a walk on the beach in Fairhope – a respite from Covid-19. "Gabe's" last sibling, Patrick, also a WW II CBI veteran, was 107 years old when he died in 2020.



"Gabe" and Elena's six children surrounded them with love. They are seen here at a family function. The children are (L-R) Francis, Tommy, Patricia, Richard, Carol and Phillip.

TOP Row-L-R:

35th Infantry Regiment, 25th Infantry Division, Ranger Tab, Ruptured Duck, Merrill's Marauders, China Burma India.

2nd Row L-R:

*** "Gabe" & "Ted" McLogan at the 2008 Merrill's Marauders Association reunion in Atlanta. The two China Burma India veterans also fought in the South Pacific.
*** "Gabe" in 2019 with his WW II photo.
*** "Gabe" & Marauder Vincent Melillo at a Ft. Benning 2015 "Rangers in Action."

3rd Row

"Gabe" at the 2011 Ranger Rendezvous banquet. Seated is WW II Ranger Raymond "Noel" Dye. Standing L-R are Merrill's Marauder Vincent Melillo, Ranger Walters, Marauder Gabriel Kinney, 5307th CUP replacement Frank M. Breyer, Marauder medic Rich Murch and Ranger Gary E. Dolan, a 2011 Ranger Hall of Fame inductee.

4th Row:

"Gabe" at Ft. Benning's Victory Pond addressed a 2015 graduating class that successfully completed Ranger School's rigorous training, including Florida's jungle phase and the mountain phase at Camp Frank D. Merrill, Georgia.

