

# Norman R. Sowers

## Navy

### USS Rochambeau/USS North Carolina Distribution



**Norman Rodger Sowers**

U. S. Navy

Served On Hospital Ships In The PTO

Norman Rodger 'Tex' Sowers was born in Perks, Illinois on April 18, 1924. He enlisted in the United States Navy on June 19, 1942 and was stationed at the Naval Receiving Station in Houston, Texas, the Naval Training Center and the Naval Hospital in San Diego, California.

Following his training, Norman was stationed on the USS Rochambeau (AP-63). He was next sent to the Naval Training and Distribution Center at Camp Elliott, California and served aboard the USS North Carolina where he spent time on Okinawa and in the South Pacific. Norman was honorably discharged on October 13, 1945.

Norman married Annabelle Huber Sowers on May 26, 1951 at St. John's Catholic Church in Coffeen, Illinois. They spent several years in Texas before returning to Coffeen, Illinois. Norman died at Jefferson Barracks, Veterans Administration Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri on November 11, 1978 and

was survived by his wife Annabelle.

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Coffeen, Illinois