

## **Robert 'Bob' Robson**

Dec 21, 1926 -

**BIRTHPLACE: Abilene, Kansas** 

## **SOLDIER DETAILS**

**DIVISION: Navy** 

**THEATER OF OPERATION: Pacific** 

SERVED: Jan 1, 1945 - Aug 18, 1945

HONORED BY: Bob Robson's family and Eisenhower Foundation

## **BIOGRAPHY**

Bob' Robson entered the Navy in January 1945, and was sent to Great Lakes Naval Training Station, IL. There, he went to 'boot camp' and received technical training in Fire Control. This was a specialized course in the control systems that coordinate all types of guns on naval vessels as they move through the sea. From training, Bob was sent to Treasure Island Naval Station, CA, where he boarded a troop carrier for Guam. In Guam, he went out to various ships that came into harbor and repaired weapons control systems. These included the quad 40 mm cannons and the Mark 51 directional control units. He was then sent aboard the Aircraft Carrier 'US Antietam' (CV36) and was in Manila for the 4 July 1946 Celebration of the Philippine Islands Independence Day. After his discharge on 18 August 1946, he attended Kansas State University using the GI Bill. He graduated with a BA Degree in Business Administration. Following his college graduation, Bob taught high school in Abilene, KS. Bob taught Algebra and coached Abilene High School Freshmen in various sports. After four years of teaching, he joined his family business at Robson Oil Company, Inc. in Abilene, KS where he became president and owner of the company. He is now retired and living in Abilene. Bob Robson is married to the former Ann L. Robinson. They have two sons; Mike and Pat.