

Belle Mead A. S. F. Depot

Belle Mead  New Jersey

AGOSTINO MATARESE

having completed ONE YEAR *of service*

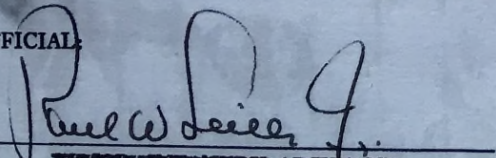
at the Belle Mead Army Service Forces Depot

from 15 JANUARY 1944 *to* 14 JANUARY 1945 *is awarded this*

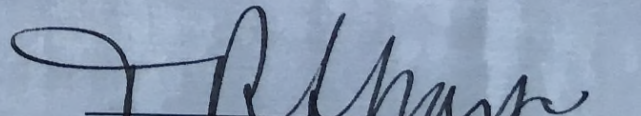
Certificate

Given this 21ST *day of* FEBRUARY *at Belle Mead A.S.F. Depot*

OFFICIAL



MAJOR, QUARTERMASTER ADJUTANT
CAPTAIN, Q.M.C.



COLONEL, Q.M.C. COMMANDING

Army of the United States



Honorable Discharge

This is to certify that

AGOSTINO MATARESE

32957464, Private, Company C., 1210th SOSU

Army of the United States

is hereby Honorably Discharged from the military service of the United States of America.

This certificate is awarded as a testimonial of Honest and Faithful Service to his country.

Given at FORT ONTARIO, NEW YORK

Date 15 DECEMBER 1943

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R. M. MANTER", written over a horizontal line.

R. M. MANTER
Lt. Colonel, Inf.
Commanding, 1210th SOSU

Agostino Matarese, lovingly known by his family and friends as "Augie," was born August 11, 1917 in Martinsburg, West Virginia. He resided in Princeton Junction for over fifty years and was an Army Veteran of World War II.

He served his country with honor and dignity so we could all enjoy the freedom of this wonderful country. When he returned from his service he was employed by RCA in West Windsor for thirty five years as the Foreman of the grounds crew. He was also a fireman for Princeton Junction Volunteer Fire Company for many years. He provided a wonderful life for his beloved wife and four children. His wit and laughter were cherished by many.

The photographs show Agostino in uniform with his wife, Maria Francesca and daughter, Mary. Agostino did volunteer landscaping work during the construction of the West Windsor Township Veterans Monument in 1989. He is shown with the monument designer, Pietro del Fabro, on the day he directed the planting of the juniper trees (*Juniperus chinensis* 'Mountbatten') that form the enclosure for the bronze statue at the monument.





