For the past 10 years I have been the editor of a newsletter for a World War II Battalion Association. The aim of the newsletter is to provide an information network for veterans and their widows and families.

The resources of the NAA have been essential to the preparation of eulogies and obituaries for deceased veterans, and for providing information to younger family members on the details of their relative's service.

On many occasions, younger family members have expressed their surprise when learning of the experiences that their relative had endured in the service of their country, as such experiences were rarely, if ever, spoken about.

The role of the NAA in preserving the past experiences of the people of this country are crucial to our sense of national identity and pride, but also to our understanding of the price paid by individuals in the service of our way of life and freedoms.

Yours faithfully,

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