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Dear Mr. Lamb:

I have been following with great interest C-SPAN's Remembering D-Day, 50 Years Later. I visited Normandy and Omaha Beach in October of 1992 and was deeply moved because [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED] and other surgeons and orthopedists were the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] They were set up in surgical teams and treated the injured and dying on the beachheads. On D-Day [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and his team encountered heavy German artillery which almost took their lives. They hurried to the banks which they climbed, and they dug their foxholes which they stayed in for three days. He used to say that he got religion on Omaha Beach.

In your D-Day coverage, you might want to mention this group of doctors. I have never heard them referred to at all, but they were there. One team, thank fortune [REDACTED] was captured during the Battle of the Bulge. Third Auxers arrived early on at Buchenwald, another one of the horrors of war that brought tears to my father's eyes. In fact, they went on all the way into Germany and served until V-E Day in 1945. All of the team leaders received bronze stars and their units received the Presidential Unit Citation.

My father always felt that the infantrymen were the real heroes of not only D-Day but the entire war. I always felt that [REDACTED] was one, too.

There are many stories of their war years, and these are recounted in the book Front Line Surgeons by Clifford L. Graves, M.D..

I hope that you can use some of this information in your great documentary.

Sincerely,
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