

Charbroil

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CHARBROIL. The code name used by U.S. Army Sergeant Carl G. Shannon. As a child, Charbroil used to heat the pipes in his family's home in Blackduck, Minnesota, to keep them from freezing. As a teenager, he worked in mills, feeding coal into blast furnaces. When his army recruiter asked what type of job he was interested, he asked for something with open flames. He eventually became a flamethrower on the G.I. Joe team. On his first mission, he and several other new recruits fought to keep Cobra from claiming a newly-formed island not far from the original Cobra Island. They barely stopped Cobra before the entire landmass sunk back beneath the ocean. Some time later, Charbroil, accompanied Airtight, Spearhead and Tunnel Rat into the sewers under New York City to neutralize nerve gas canisters installed there by Cobra. The gas turned out to be a diversion to stop the Joes from discovering Cobra's true mission in New York. Charbroil served on more missions with the Joes before the team was shut down in 1994. He was later called back to join the reinstated Joe team in its battle against the forces of a revived Serpentor on Cobra Island. After the Joe team stopped a plot by Cobra to unleash the weapon known as the Tempest, and defeated a new threat, the Red Shadows, the military again disbanded the team. One year later, the Joe team was reformed with a smaller roster of active members. Charbroil, like most former Joes, is a reserve member of the new team. During the conflict known as World War III, Charbroil was assigned to domestic operations in the United States.

One of many Joes listed on the World War III member assignment map first seen in AE #28.

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