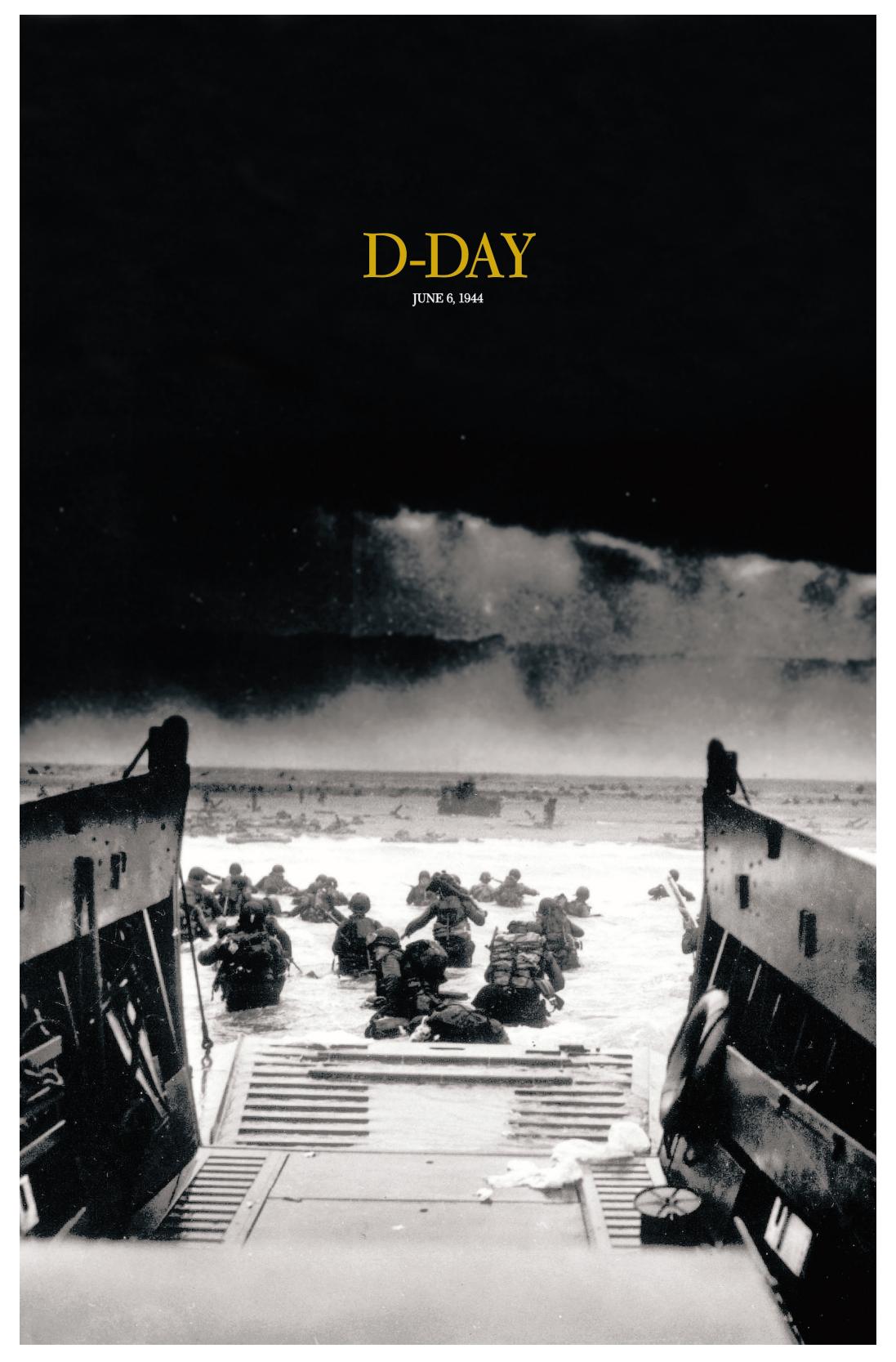
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The D-Day anniversary falls just days after Memorial Day, and as the Greatest Generation passes into history, these two solemn days seem more linked than ever. The largest seaborne invasion in history poured 156,000 Allied troops onto a 50-mile stretch of French coastline to fight Nazi Germany on the beaches of Normandy. They gained a costly foothold. By nightfall, more than 10,000 Allied troops were dead or wounded — but more than 100,000 made it ashore. The fight across continental Europe to defeat Hitler was underway.