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By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942), a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, in lieu of an additional Air Medal, is awarded by the Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant GEORGE W. ALEXANDER, (O-660433), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 19 April 1944 to 11 June 1944. Home address: Mr. William C. Alexander (Father), 123 Clifton St., Brush, Colo.

Second Lieutenant EDGAR B. HETZLER, (O-677271), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 21 September 1943 to 9 April 1944. Home address: Mr. Bernard W. Hetzler (Father), 208 West 6th St., Junction City, Kans.

First Lieutenant ALBERT A. JUDD, JR., (O-740449), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 29 November 1943 to 5 February 1944. Home address: Mrs. A. A. Judd (Mother), Box #8, Port Orchard, Wash.

Staff Sergeant CHARLES B. KISER, (35455785), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 17 March 1944 to 3 May 1944. Home address: Mr. Ray Kiser (Father), 123 Hadley Rd., Dayton, Ohio.

Second Lieutenant LELAND J. KLEUTSCH, (O-814090), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 4 March 1944 to 2 June 1944. Home address: Mrs. A. B. Kleutsch (Mother), 375 E. Ogden St., Medford, Wis.

Second Lieutenant GEORGE W. KNIGHT, (O-810127), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 May 1944 to 30 May 1944. Home address: Mrs. George W. Knight (Wife), Box 225, Boca Grande, Fla.

Technical Sergeant JOHN H. KUENNING, (17017212), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 18 April 1944 to 19 May 1944. Home address: Mrs. Maggie Kuening (Mother), Douglas, Nebr.

Technical Sergeant JOSEPH R. LaLONDE, (36111126), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 18 October 1943 to 3 January 1944. Home address: Mrs. Clara LaLonde (Mother), 122 South 6th St., Saginaw, Mich.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT P. LAWYER, JR., (12036843), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 July 1943 to 10 April 1944. Home address: Mrs. Anna Lawyer (Mother), 1543 9th St., Portsmouth, Ohio.

Second Lieutenant LEON L. LENDERMAN, (O-2043007), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 13 February 1944 to 22 March 1944. Home address: Mrs. Vera E. Lenderman (Mother), 5509 Richard St., Dallas, Tex.

Sergeant FLOYD B. LINKENHOGER, (13034151), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 2 July 1943 to 29 March 1944. Home address: Mrs. G. W. Linkenhoger (Mother), Winterpock, Va.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT W. LLOYD, (36397356), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 22 April 1944 to 25 May 1944. Home address: Mr. George Lloyd (Father), 305 River Ave., Streator, Ill.

Technical Sergeant THOMAS C. LOCKE, JR., (18108130), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 14 March 1944 to 27 May 1944. Home address: Mr. Thomas C. Locke, Sr. (Father), 231 S. Edith St., Pryor, Okla.

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Second Lieutenant ADOLPH V. LORIO, (O-697882), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 27 February 1944 to 14 April 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ida Marie Lorio (Wife), Luling, La.

Captain ALBERT N. MCCREIGHT, (O-729201), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 6 April 1944 to 18 May 1944. Home address: Mrs. M. B. McCreight (Mother), 1354 Davis St., San Jose, Calif.

Sergeant WILLIAM E. MCLEOD, (18165529), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 12 March 1944 to 15 May 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ernestine A. McLeod (Wife), DeQueen, Ark.

Second Lieutenant WILLIAM H. MACHIE, (O-814101), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 12 March 1944 to 27 May 1944. Home address: Miss R. H. Machie (Sister), 315 Cleveland, Menasha, Wis.

Second Lieutenant WARD P. MANN, (O-814105), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 19 March 1944 to 21 May 1944. Home address: Mr. Lloyd L. Mann (Father), 5503 Vancouver Ave., Detroit, Mich.

Second Lieutenant PERRY D. MANNING, (O-804699), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 24 April 1944 to 30 May 1944. Home address: Mrs. Sadie M. Manning (Mother), Jet, OKLA.

Second Lieutenant JAMES F. MARTIN, (O-811542), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 7 February 1944 to 23 May 1944. Home address: Mrs. C. M. Martin (Mother), 1644 S. Wisconsin Ave., Berwyn, Ill.

Second Lieutenant BARKSDALE W. MATHIS, (O-804702), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 26 February 1944 to 18 May 1944. Home address: Mrs. Aita O. Mathis (Wife), RFD #3, Dublin, Tex.

Sergeant JOHN H. MEADOWS, (14069946), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 16 June 1943 to 16 March 1944. Home address: Mr. William R. Meadows (Father), Route #1, Cottonwood, Ala.

Sergeant LEO J. MEIER, (37115343), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 10 February 1944 to 10 June 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mary Meier (Mother), Highmore, S. Dak.

The citation is as follows:

For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific area, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. These flights involved flying at low altitudes over mountainous terrain under adverse weather conditions in an unarmed transport airplane and often necessitated landing within a few miles of enemy bases. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation.

St. Clair Streett
ST. CLAIR STREETT,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Commanding.

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