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I. AIR MEDAL. 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), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Second Lieutenant PAUL E. FERGUSON, (01686430), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 23 May 1944 to 17 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Ferguson (Wife), 1046 Longridge Road, Oakland, Calif.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT W. POWELL, (19051336), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 23 August 1944 to 8 December 1944. Home address: Mr. James O. Powell (Father), General Delivery, Checotah, Okla.

Staff Sergeant GEORGE A. RUSSELL, (35038919), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 20 September 1944 to 3 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Carrie Russell (Wife), 1017 Roger St., Louisville, Ky.

Second Lieutenant BURTON E. TRACY, (01686415), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 20 April 1944 to 12 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth E. Tracy (Mother), Loup City, Nebr.

First Lieutenant ROBERT A. WILLIAMSON, (0749140), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 23 May 1944 to 7 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Anna S. Williamson (Mother), 77 Camp St., Jamestown, N.Y.

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 operations included interception of enemy aircraft, bombing missions against enemy airdromes and shipping, and patrol and reconnaissance missions over heavily defended enemy areas and installations. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation.

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), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant ROBERT E. ANDERSON, (6939938), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 8 January 1945 to 9 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Olga Anderson (Mother), 1818 Fourth St., N., Minneapolis, Minn.

Second Lieutenant LEONARD A. DEINERT, (0822392), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 8 January 1945 to 10 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy D. Deinert (Wife), Grant Ave., Mt. Dale, N.J.

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. Supplies were dropped and troops transported to advanced positions. 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.

II. AIR MEDAL AND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. 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), an Air Medal and Bronze Oak-Leaf Clusters are awarded by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

1. AIR MEDAL.

Technical Sergeant SONNY L. PARK, (38153836), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 13 June 1944 to 8 October 1944. Home address: Mrs. Zora B. Park (Mother), 214 South East 24th St., Oklahoma City, Okla.

Colonel CLIFFORD H. REES, (018847), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 30 November 1944 to 7 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clifford H. Rees (Wife), 3208 Lamesa Place, Fort Worth, Tex.

2. OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant SONNY L. PARK, (38153836), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 9 October 1944 to 24 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Zora B. Park (Mother), 214 South East 24th St., Oklahoma City, Okla.

3. SECOND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant SONNY L. PARK, (38153836), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Zora B. Park (Mother), 214 South East 24th St., Oklahoma City, Okla.

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 operations consisted of bombing missions against enemy airdromes and installations and attacks on enemy naval vessels and shipping. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation.

III. AIR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER). By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to the following named enlisted men by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, as published in Section I, General Orders No. 354, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 30 December 1944, Bronze Oak-Leaf Clusters are awarded to them by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, 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).

1. OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant LEROY T. PIATT, (15338508), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 10 August 1944 to 26 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Etta A. Piatt (Mother), Box 164, Empire, Ohio.

2. FOURTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant GLENN O. DE FORREST, (19146142), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 7 October 1944 to 22 January 1945.

Home address: Mr. James F. DeForrest (Father), 632 S. Lawson, Aberdeen, 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 operations included interception of enemy aircraft, bombing missions against enemy airdromes and shipping, and patrol and reconnaissance missions over heavily defended enemy areas and installations. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to the following named officer and enlisted men by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, as published in Section I, General Orders No. 163, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 28 January 1945, Bronze Oak-Leaf Clusters are awarded to them by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, 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).

1. OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Private First Class ALFRED CHIECA, (32874227), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 18 November 1944 to 22 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frances L. Chieca (Mother), 9711 76th St., Ozone Park, Long Island, N.Y.

Sergeant ELMER L. COLLINS, (16147072), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 13 December 1944 to 23 February 1945. Home address: Mr. Roy W. Collins (Father), Box 169, Rankin, Ill.

Sergeant DEAN W. RENNER, (39383540), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 20 December 1944 to 19 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rosemond Renner (Mother), Route #3, Monroe City, Mo.

2. FOURTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant MAC PHERSON A. LESTER, (0736874), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 20 November 1944 to 10 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Jeanne A. Lester (Wife), 1705 N. St., Sacramento, Calif.

3. FIFTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant MAC PHERSON A. LESTER, (0736874), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 11 December 1944 to 2 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jeanne A. Lester (Wife), 1705 N. St., Sacramento, Calif.

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 operations consisted of patrols, searches, and rescue missions. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to the following named enlisted men by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, as published in Section I, General Orders No. 80, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 12 January 1945, Bronze Oak-Leaf Clusters are awarded to them by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, 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).

1. FOURTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant GEORGE E. BOCK, (35322962), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 30 November 1944 to 22 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ann Ebel (Sister), 1725 W. 69th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

Technical Sergeant JOHN Y. CUNNINGHAM, JR., (18034975), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 4 December 1944 to 20 January 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Ruby R. Cunningham (Mother), 709 East 21st St., Texarkana, Ark.

2. FIFTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant VICTOR G. FRANK, (15327502), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 November 1944 to 3 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Victor E. Frank (Father), 20 Canterbury Drive, Dayton, Ohio.

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 operations consisted of patrols, searches, and rescue missions. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to Sergeant DONALD M. CLANCY by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, as published in Section I, General Orders No. 183, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 9 September 1944, a second Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, 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). The citation is as follows:

Sergeant DONALD M. CLANCY, (19181943), Air Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area from 4 September 1944 to 24 December 1944, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. These operations included interception of enemy aircraft, bombing missions against enemy airdromes and installations, and patrol and reconnaissance missions over heavily defended enemy areas and installations. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Clancy during these flights are worthy of commendation.

Home address: Mr. Leslie M. Clancy (Father), 708 Moreno Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.

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By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to Sergeant ALBERIC J. MURRAY by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, as published in Section I, General Orders No. 184, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 9 September 1944, a second Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, 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). The citation is as follows:

Sergeant ALBERIC J. MURRAY, (13082216), Air Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area from 25 July 1944 to 19 January 1945, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. These operations included interception of enemy aircraft, bombing missions against enemy airdromes and shipping, and patrol and reconnaissance missions over heavily defended enemy areas and installations. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Murray during these flights are worthy of commendation.

Home address: Mr. Fred Murray (Father), 620 Lancaster St., Berlin, N.H.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to Captain RICHARD O. STEWART by the Commanding General, USAFISPA, as published in General Orders No. 429, Headquarters, USAFISPA, 25 March 1944, a fifth Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, 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). The citation is as follows:

Captain RICHARD O. STEWART, (0743531), Air Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area from 17 September 1944 to 5 February 1945, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. These operations included interception of enemy aircraft, bombing missions against enemy airdromes and shipping, and patrol and reconnaissance missions over heavily defended enemy areas and installations. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Captain Stewart during these flights are worthy of commendation. Home address: Mrs. Florence M. Stewart (Mother), 112 Dartmouth Ave., S.W., Canton, Ohio.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to Second Lieutenant JOSEPH D. HOOD by the Commanding General, USAFISPA, as published in General Orders No. 587, Headquarters, USAFISPA, 21 April 1944, a fourth Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, 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). The citation is as follows:

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Second Lieutenant JOSEPH D. HOOD, (01686365), Air Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area from 5 November 1944 to 16 December 1944, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. Supplies were dropped and troops transported to advanced positions. 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 by Lieutenant Hood during these flights are worthy of commendation. Home address: Mrs. Jacqueline Hood (Wife), Route #2, Alpharetta, Ga.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant DONALD L. PYKE by the Commanding General, USAFISPA, as published in General Orders No. 623, Headquarters, USAFISPA, 26 April 1944, a fifth Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, 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). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant DONALD L. PYKE, (0814132), Air Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area from 24 November 1944 to 10 January 1945, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. Supplies were dropped and troops transported to advanced positions. 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 by Lieutenant Pyke during these flights are worthy of commendation. Home address: Mrs. Esther S. Pyke (Mother), 1014 South St., Lafayette, Ind.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to Technical Sergeant RICHARD B. McCORMACK by the Commanding General, USAFISPA, as published in General Orders No. 1119, Headquarters, USAFISPA, 24 July 1944, a third Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, 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). The citation is as follows:

Technical Sergeant RICHARD B. McCORMACK, (35325366), Air Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area from 22 December 1944 to 30 January 1945, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. These operations consisted of bombing missions against enemy airdromes and installations and attacks on enemy naval vessels and shipping. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant McCormack during these flights are worthy of commendation. Home address: Mrs. Claire E. McCormack (Wife), 18 McCall St., Greenville, S.C.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant ROBERT R. NIVER by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, as published in Section I, General Orders No. 34, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 5 January 1945; a third Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, 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). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant ROBERT R. NIVER, (0796862), Air Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area from 24 December 1944 to 30 January 1945, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. These operations consisted of bombing missions against enemy airdromes and installations and attacks on enemy naval vessels and shipping. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant Niver during these flights are worthy of commendation.

Home address: Mr. F. J. Niver (Father), 1321 S. Atlantic Ave., Daytona Beach, Fla.

IV. AIR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Posthumous Award. By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant DWIGHT W. BARRY by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, as published in Section I, General Orders No. 67, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 11 January 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded posthumously to him by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, 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). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant DWIGHT W. BARRY, (0409494), Air Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area from 20 November 1944 to 8 February 1945, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. These operations consisted of bombing missions against enemy airdromes and installations and attacks on enemy naval vessels and shipping. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant Barry during these flights are worthy of commendation.

Next of kin: Mrs. Helen F. Barry (wife), 544 Ford St., Box 368, Eagle Pass, Tex.

V. AIR MEDAL. So much of page 1, Section I, General Orders No. 366, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 11 March 1945, as pertains to Sergeant VINCENT G. COSENTINO as reads "Sergeant VINCENT G. COSENTINO", is amended to read "Sergeant VINCENT G. COSENTINO".

VI. AIR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER). 1. So much of page 2, Section II, General Orders No. 317, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 3 March 1945, as pertains to Staff Sergeant WILLIAM S. CHIPMAN and Staff Sergeant KENNETH M. POSTER, as reads "2. THIRD OAK-LEAF CLUSTER", is amended to read "2. FOURTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER".

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2. So much of page 5, General Orders No. 352, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 9 March 1945, as pertains to First Lieutenant LAWRENCE W. DISMORE, as reads "First Lieutenant LAWRENCE V. DISMORE", is amended to read "First Lieutenant LAWRENCE W. DISMORE".

3. So much of page 3, General Orders No. 316, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 3 March 1945, as pertains to Staff Sergeant STANLEY P. GAWRONIK, as reads "Staff Sergeant STANLEY P. COWRONIK", is amended to read "Staff Sergeant STANLEY P. GAWRONIK".

4. So much of page 4, General Orders No. 342, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 7 March 1945, as pertains to Technical Sergeant THOMAS J. McGAUGHEY, as reads "a fourth Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster", is amended to read "a third Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster".

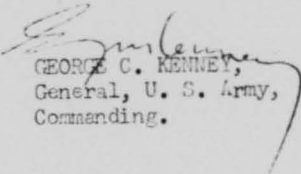
5. So much of page 2, Section II, General Orders No. 304, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 2 March 1945, as pertains to Staff Sergeant RUSTER D. FLYNN, as reads "(34588748)", is amended to read "(38588748)".

6. So much of page 3, Section II, General Orders No. 317, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 3 March 1945, as pertains to First Lieutenant KARL A. FREESE, as reads "First Lieutenant CARL A FREESE", is amended to read "First Lieutenant KARL A. FREESE".

7. So much of page 3, General Orders No. 351, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 9 March 1945, as pertains to First Lieutenant ISAAC T. SPIVEY, as reads "(0762015)", is amended to read "(0762014)".

8. So much of page 3, General Orders No. 340, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 7 March 1945, as pertains to Staff Sergeant SIDNEY WATERS, JR., as reads "a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster", is amended to read "a second Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster".

9. So much of page 5, Section I, General Orders No. 417, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 21 March 1945, as pertains to Lieutenant Colonel LEONARD SHAPIRO, as reads "Major LEONARD SHAPIRO", is amended to read "Lieutenant Colonel LEONARD SHAPIRO".


GEORGE C. KENNEY,
General, U. S. Army,
Commanding.

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