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AIR MEDAL (OAK LEAF CLUSTER) - Awards ------II

I. <u>AIR MEDAL AND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER</u>. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1945 (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 Cluster are awarded by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, to the following named enlisted men:

#### 1. AIR MEDAL.

Corporal SAMUEL R. ALLOWAY, JR., (33595454), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 August 1944 to 24 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Alloway (Wife), 903 Belmont Ave., Philadelphia, Penna.

Private First Class <u>LOUIS</u> <u>BERENCSI</u>, (35321720), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 August 1944 to 7 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Berencsi (Mother), 817 Clay St., Niles, Ohio.

Corporal <u>GEORGE</u> <u>BROCKNER</u>, (16023089), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 24 December 1944 to 13 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Brockner (Mother), R.R. 2, Sheldon, Wis.

Staff Sergeant <u>RONALD</u> <u>C</u>. <u>GIBSON</u>, (32372903), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 December 1944 to 8 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle Peck (Mother), 44 Main St., Norwood, N.Y.

Sergeant MAURICE GREENFOGEL, (32874753), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 16 November 1944 to 23 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gussie Greenfogel (Mother), 8205 20th Ave., Brooklyn, N.Y.

Technical Sergeant GEORGE R. GRINDLE, (6956664), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 December 1944 to 6 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Georgia M. Grindle (Mother), Route 2, Box 118, Bartlesville, Okla.

Corporal <u>ERNEST LUDWIG</u>, (32862381), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 September 1944 to 12 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Christine Ludwig (Mother), 1113 Amsterdam Ave., New York, N.Y.

Corporal <u>JOSEPH P. McDONALD</u>, (38402705), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 24 November 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Emma McDonald (Wife), Box 214, Madill, Okla.

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Staff Sergeant <u>HAROLD</u> <u>G. McMILLEN</u>, (37137806), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 4 December 1944 to 17 January 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Florence McMillen (Wife), Windsor, Mo.

Sergeant <u>CLARENCE W. RIGGS</u>, (15394480), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 14 November 1944 to 6 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ethel Riggs (Mother), 205 Fairlawn Ave., Willow Brook, Pittman, Ohio

### 2. OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant <u>GEORGE</u> <u>E</u>. <u>GRINDLE</u>, (6956664), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 7 January 1945 to 24 February 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Georgia M. Grindle (Mother), Route 2, Box 118, Bartlesville, 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. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation.

II. 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. 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 1945 (Bulletin 25, WD. 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942).

### 1. OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Sergeant <u>JOSEPH W. GUTMAN</u>, (36073409), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 8 November 1944 to 8 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Gutman (Mother), Ashland, Ill.

### 2. SECOND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Sergeant <u>RAYMOND</u> <u>B. BEAN</u>, (18114723), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 9 November 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dortha E. Bean (Wife), Roscoe, Tex.

# 3. THIRD OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Sergeant <u>RAYMOND B. BEAN</u>, (18114723), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 2 January 1945 to 16 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dortha E. Bean (Wife), Roscoe, Tex.

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Sergeant ARVIE D. MABERRY, (33128312), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 19 November 1944 to 30 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lydia Maberry (Mother), Box 104, Floyd, Va.

### 5. FIFTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Sergeant <u>WILLIAM A. ALLMAN</u>, (15140689), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 December 1944 to 22 February 1945. Home address: Mr. A. J. Allman (Father), Route 2, Tiffin, 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 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 1945 (Bulletin 25, WD. 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942).

# 1. OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Corporal PHILIP C. RAINONE, (32874251), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 2 November 1944 to 25 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Caroline F. Rainone (Mother), 8632 102d Ave., Ozone Park, N.Y.

### 2. SECOND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant FRANKLIN C. BESSE, (31057039), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 16 October 1944 to 4 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Franklin W. L. Besse (Father), 34 Lucille St., Providence, R.I.

Staff Sergeant <u>CHRISTOPHER</u> <u>A. PAVONE</u>, (12216308), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 17 November 1944 to 29 December 1944.

Home address: Mr. Peter Pavone (Father), 8 Putnam St., Rochester, N.Y.

Corporal JOHN H. ROWE, JR., (33630703), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 13 December 1944 to 16 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth M. Rowe (Mother), 1124 Max Hull, Richmond, Va.

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# 3. THIRD OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant <u>TRAVIS</u> O. <u>BRIMER</u>, (18007879), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 24 October 1944 to 17 December 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth M. Brimer (Mother), Route 4, McKinney, Tex.

Staff Sergeant <u>WILLIAM</u> <u>D. CRAIGHEAD</u>, (17120106), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 15 October 1944 to 30 December 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Lorraine J. Craighead (Wife), 350 W. Fifth St., Fremont, Nebr.

Staff Sergeant <u>CLARENCE</u> <u>E. FRIESTAD</u>, (19143373), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 4 December 1944 to 9 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Friestad (Wife), 8979 S.E. Division St., Portland, Ore.

Sergeant <u>WOODROW H. HAYES</u>, (18189563), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 November 1944 to 26 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Helga A. Hayes (Wife), 222 W. 22nd St., Houston, Tex.

Technical Sergeant <u>ORAL</u> <u>M</u>. <u>LAWSON</u>, (17128972), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 15 October 1944 to 23 November 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Melba Lawson (Wife), Route #3, Memphis, Mo.

Staff Sergeant <u>FRANKLIN</u> <u>C</u>. <u>LOBDELL</u>, (16047406), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 30 November 1944 to 27 January 1945.

Home address: Mr. Clyde Lobdell (Father), LaValle, Wis.

Technical Sergeant <u>ROBERT</u> <u>A. PILOT</u>, (36229792), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 19 December 1944 to 23 February 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Ben Pilot (Mother), 1573 South 12th St., Milwaukee, Wis.

Staff Sergeant <u>AUGUST V. ROZNOVSKY</u>, (6289095), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 November 1944 to 12 February 1945.

Home address: Miss Mary Roznovsky (Sister), c/o Mr. John Valla, Granger, Tex.

Technical Sergeant MICHAEL J. SPISAK, (15617552), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 16 September 1944 to 16 December 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Anna Slinak (Mother), 2115 Waterbury Road, Lakewood, Ohio.

# 4. FOURTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant <u>CHARLES</u> <u>M. BLEDSOE</u>, (18051602), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 22 November 1944 to 2 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edward Oline (Mother), 19454 Valeria St., Reseda, Cal.

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Sergeant NED M. BROOKS, (35729887), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 December 1944 to 23 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clyde Brooks (Mother), 520 S. Sixth St., Paducah, Ky.

Staff Sergeant <u>WILLIAM</u> <u>D. CRAIGHEAD</u>, (17120106), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 31 December 1944 to 24 February 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Lorraine J. Craighead (Wife), 350 W. Fifth St., Fremont, Nebr.

Sergeant THEODORE FIALKOWSKI, (32779159), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 12 December 1944 to 12 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Josepha Fialkowki (Mother), 439 Jackson Ave., Elizabeth, N.J.

Staff Sergeant <u>CLARENCE</u> <u>E. FRIESTAD</u>, (19143373), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 10 January 1945 to 22 February 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Margaret Friestad (Wife), 8979 S.E. Division St., Portland, Ore.

Staff Sergeant <u>LOUIS</u> <u>C</u>. <u>HIBBARD</u>, (15067752), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 13 December 1944 to 7 January 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Anna Green (Mother), 3572 Colerain Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Technical Sergeant <u>RAYMOND</u> <u>C</u>. <u>HUNDLEY</u>, (17014707), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 12 November 1944 to 24 January 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Ray Hundley (Mother), Ozark, Ark.

Staff Sergeant <u>HYMAN HYMOWITZ</u>, (32878269), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 November 1944 to 3 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Jacob Hymowitz (Father), 3502 Hull Ave., Bronx, N.Y.

Staff Sergeant <u>ROBERT</u> J. <u>JENNINGS</u>, (13170853), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 19 October 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Miss Mary Roznovsky (Sister), c/o Mr. John Valla, Granger, Tex.

Technical Sergeant <u>ROBERT S. JONES</u>, (17014707), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 12 December 1944 to 16 February 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Lige Jones (Mother), Ozark, Ark.

Staff Sergeant ANOTHONY C. NAPOLITANO, (32418101), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 29 November 1944 to 12 January 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Assunta Napolitano (Mother), 2172 Fulton St., Brooklyn, N.Y.

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Technical Sergeant <u>WILLIAM</u> J. <u>NEASON</u>, JR., (13031451), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 7 December 1944 to 17 February 1945.

Home address: Mrs. A. J. Neason (Grandmother), 1216 17th Ave., Alton, Penna.

Staff Sergeant <u>VERNEIL</u> <u>ROACH</u>, (32447991), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 November 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary L. Roach (Mother), 161 Central Ave., Albany, N.Y.

Sergeant THEODORE FIALKOWSKI, (32779159), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 12 December 1944 to 12 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Josepha Fialkowki (Mother), 439 Jackson Ave., Elizabeth, N.J.

Staff Sergeant <u>ALPHONSE</u> <u>O. ROBERGE</u>, (11018387), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 11 November 1944 to 2 February 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Eleanor C. Roberge (Wife), 903 S. Harvey Ave., Berwyn, Ill.

Staff Sergeant <u>JOHN</u> <u>T</u>. <u>SMITH</u>, <u>JR</u>., (35481710), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 12 December 1944 to 2 February 1945.

Home address: Mr. John T. Smith, Sr. (Father), 1937 Bank St., Louisville, Ky.

Sergeant <u>GENE</u> <u>L. SPAULDING</u>, (39610615), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 16 November 1944 to 3 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nellie Spaulding (Mother), Glenda, Wyo.

Technical Sergeant MICHAEL J. SPISAK, (15617552), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 17 December 1944 to 5 January 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Anna Slinek (Mother), 2115 Waterbury Road, Lakewood, Ohio.

#### 5. FIFTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant <u>ARTHUR</u> <u>E. GOLDENBAUM</u>, (32077310), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 14 December 1944 to 16 February 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Viola V. Goldenbaum (Wife), 112 S. Cook Ave., Trenton, N.J.

Staff Sergeant <u>CLYDE</u> <u>L</u>. <u>HAFERKAMP</u>, (17045140), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 6 November 1944 to 14 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clyde L. Haferkamp (Wife), 6296 Bartmer Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

Staff Sergeant <u>ROBERT</u> J. <u>JENNINGS</u>, (13170853), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 January 1945 to 15 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sylvia Jennings (Mother), 157 Canal St., Wheatland, Penna.

Staff Sergeant <u>VERNEIL</u> <u>ROACH</u>, (32447991), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 2 January 1945 to 18 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary L. Roach (Mother), 161 Central Ave., Albany, N.Y.

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Staff Sergeant <u>ALPHONSE O. ROBERGE</u>, (11018387), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 30 December 1944 to 25 January 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Eleanor C. Roberge (Wife), 903 S. Harvey Ave., Berwyn, Ill.

Technical Sergeant MICHAEL J. SPISAK, (15617552), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 6 January 1945 to 1 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Slimak (Mother), 2115 Waterbury Road, Lakewood, Ohio.

# 6. SIXTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant JOHN M. YATES, JR., (16045988), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 22 November 1944 to 16 January 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Mary Yates (Wife), R.R. 1, Box 363, Laton, 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 patrol, 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 officers by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, as published in Section I, General Orders No. 81, 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 1945 (Bulletin 25, WD. 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942).

# 1. FOURTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant <u>JAMES</u> <u>F. SCOTT</u>, (0753250), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 December 1944 to 23 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. James F. Scott (Wife), 644 Melville St., Rochester, N.Y.

### 2. FIFTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant <u>RICHARD</u> <u>W. DEANE</u>, (0814260), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 11 December 1944 to 2 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hugh G. Deane (Mother), 183 Dartmouth Terrace, Springfield, Mass.

The citations 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 patrol, searches, and rescue missions. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation.

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By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to the following named officers by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, as published in Section II, General Orders No. 252, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 15 February 1945, a fourth Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to them by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1945 (Bulletin 25, WD. 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942).

First Lieutenant <u>ERIC A. LAKES</u>, (0813396), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 30 October 1944 to 16 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Albert E. Lakes (Mother), 1121 N. Broadway, Yonkers, N.Y.

First Lieutenant <u>LEROY</u> <u>R. NELSON</u>, (0753296), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 8 November 1944 to 10 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Margaret M. Nelson (Wife), 200 Cedar Blvd., Pittsburg, Penna.

First Lieutenant <u>HAROLD W. STRUB</u>, (0813437), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 October 1944 to 13 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Leila M. Strub (Mother), R.F.D. 1, Watova, 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 patrol, 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 Private First Class WALTER J. SHORETTE by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, as published in Section I, General Orders No. 225, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 7 February 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1945 (Bulletin 25, WD. 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942). The citation is as follows:

Private First Class <u>WALTER</u> J. <u>SHORETTE</u>, (31282837), Air Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area from 19 December 1944 to 28 January 1945, during which hostile contact was probable and expected.

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

Home address: Mrs. Yvonne Shrorette (Mother), 99 Summers St., Biddiford, Mo.

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

Commanding.

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