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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 JOHN F. BOEYE, (0692131), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 7 June 1944 to 14 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Juanita H. Boeye (Mother), 943 Second St., Webster City, Iowa.

First Lieutenant JAMES W. GUERRERO, (0760293), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 12 June 1944 to 30 January 1945. Home address: Mr. James Guerrero (Father), Motoqua, Utah.

Second Lieutenant CERALD R. HOLLY, (0808263), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 20 January 1944 to 13 November 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Grace Holly (Mother), 226 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti, Mich.

Major WILLIAM W. KIMBRELL, (0417159), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 12 May 1944 to 16 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Kathleen Kimbrell (Wife), Box #227, Annapolis, Md.

First Lieutenant CHARLES K. KNIGHT, (0805639), Ar Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 July 194 to 27 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Catherine H. Knight (Wife), 1236 Dollar e St., Denver, Col.

Second Lieutenant JAMES H. LYNCH, (0759037), Air Jorps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 16 June 1944 to 13 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Marie A. Lynch (Mother), 232 N. Main St., Kimberly, Wis.

Staff Sergeant ELBERT MAJOR, (18063688), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 18 July 1944 to 5 October 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ozella Major (Mother), Box #266, Milford, Tex.

Flight Officer THEODORE A. PETERSON, II, (T124085), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 13 October 1944 to 24 January 1945.

Home address: Judge H. L. Peterson (Father), 232 Third St., N., St. Petersburg, Fla. G. O. NO. 252. Hq. Far East Air Forces, 15 February 1945. (contd.)

First Lieutenant <u>HARRISON W. ROGERS</u>, (0710179), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 September 1944 to 18 December 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Madeline O. Rogers (Mother), 1 Damion Road, Wheeling, W. Va.

Second Lieutenant REYNOLD D. B. SCHMIDT, (0754213), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 12 June 1944 to 18 November 1944.

Home address: Mr. J. H. Schmidt (Father), Parkers Prairie, Minn.

Second Lieutenant DONALD B. SCHNEIDER, (0754214), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 12 June 1944 to 18 November 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Yolanda E. Schneider (Wife), 1075 Ninth St., Charleston, Ill.

First Lieutenant RAY C. SHARP, (0760401), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 7 June 1944 to 26 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ann Sharp (Mother), P. O. Box #5561, Metropolitan Station, Los Angeles, Cal.

First Lieutenant EDWARD C. SHRINER, III, (0807630), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 12 June 1944 to 24 November 1944.

Home address: Major Edward C. Shriner, II (Father), 750 Lebanon Ave.,

Mt. Lebanon, Pa.

Major HOWARD D. SMITH, (0424755), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 July 1944 to 20 October 1944. Home address: Mrs. Howard D. Smith (Wife), 163 Chittenden Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

Technical Sergeant JAMES G. SMITH, (6977437), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 20 March 1944 to 6 October 1944. Home address: Mrs. Frederica C. Smith (Wife), 22 Matilda St., Albany, N.Y.

Staff Sergeant NICK D. SOLANO, (33349210), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 20 March 1944 to 6 October 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mary Solano (Mother), 2 Norman St., Pittston, Pa.

First Lieutenant KENNETH M. STEWART, (0805358), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 20 March 1944 to 18 August 1944.
Home address: Mr. Horace I. Stewart (Father), Richardsville, Ky.

Second Lieutenant PAUL P. STOBNICKE, (0762424), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 September 1944 to 14 December 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Nellie Stobnicke (Mother), R.F.D.# 6, Oswego, N.Y.

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First Lieutenant ŒORŒ D. THOMASSON, (0697237), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 September 1944 to 18 December 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Thelma Thomasson (Mother), 2054 N. Gramercy, San Antoinio, Texas.

Staff Sergeant JOHN R. WALDOWSKI, (3633278]), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 20 March 1944 to 6 October 1944. Home address: Mrs. Helen Vrchota (Mother), 792 W. 18th St., Chicago, Ill.

Lieutenant Colonel CHARIES M. WALTON, JR., (022145), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 7 June 1944 to 22 October 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Jean L. Walton (Wife), 1605 Dougherty, Mission, Texas.

Second Lieutenant JOHN R. WILLIS, (0763441), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 July 1944 to 19 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Julia C. Willis (Wife), 545 Ramona Ave., Laguna Beach, Cal.

Second Lieutenant WAYNE C. WINSLOW, (0828618), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 August 1944 to 30 September 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mary S. Winslow (Wife), 1745 Chicago Ave., Evanston, Ill.

Second Lieutenant EDWARD L. WOODRUFF, (0754709), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 16 June 1944 to 19 November 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Carolyne E. Woodruff (Wife), 445 E. 19th St., Brooklyn, 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 escorting bombers and transport aircraft, interception and attack missions, and patrol and reconnaissance flights. In the course of these operations, strafing and bombing attacks were made from dangerously low altitudes, destroying and damaging enemy installations and equipment. 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), Air Medals and Bronze Oak-Leaf Clusters are awarded by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

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Second Lieutenant ARTHUR G. CAROTHENS, JR., (0831127), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 24 September 1944 to 7 December 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Arthur G. Carothers, Sr. (Mother), Box #301, Orbisonia, Pa.

Lieutenant Colonel WALLACE S. FORD, (021312), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 19 September 1944 to 9 December 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Betty E. Ford (Wife), 1523 Owasso St., Ft. Worth, Tex.

Technical Sergeant CECIL L. CORDY, (6262639), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 October 1944 to 4 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Nell C. Gordy (Wife), 10 Lexington Rd., Montgomery, Ala.

First Lieutenant ERIC A. LAKES, (0813396), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 July 1944 to 15 August 1944. Home address: Mrs. Albert E. Lakes (Mother), 1121 N. Broadway, Yonkers, N.Y.

First Lieutenant <u>IEROY R. NELSON</u>, (0753296), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 July 1944 to 28 August 1944. Home address: Mrs. Margaret M. Nelson (Wife), 200 Cedar Blvd., Pittsburgh, Pa.

First Lieutenant <u>HAROLD</u> <u>W. STRUB</u>, (0813437), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 July 1944 to 15 August 1944. Home address: Mrs. Leila M. Strub (Mother), R.F.D. #1, Watova, Okla.

Staff Sergeant ARTHUR J. ZEWART, (12032025), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 October 1944 to 9 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Joseph Zewart (Father), 168 Marcy Ave., Brooklyn, N.Y.

2. OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant ERIC Λ. LAKES, (0813396), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 16 August 1944 to 7 September 1944. Home address: Mrs. Albert E. Lakes (Mother), 1121 N. Broadway, Yonkers, N.Y.

First Lieutenant <u>IEROY R. NELSON</u>, (0753296), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 29 August 1944 to 19 September 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Margaret M. Nelson (Wife), 200 Cedar Blvd., Pittsburgh, Pa.

First Lieutenant HAROLD W. STRUB, (0813437), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 16 August 1944 to 6 September 1944. Home address: Mrs. Leila M. Strub (Mother), R.F.D. #1, Watova, Okla.

3. SECOND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant ERIC A. LAKES, (0813396), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 8 September 1944 to 5 October 1944. Home address: Mrs. Albert E. Lakes (Mother), 1121 N. Broadway, Yonkers, N.Y.

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First Lieutenant <u>IEROY R. NELSON</u>, (0753296), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 20 September 1944 to 20 October 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Margaret M. Nelson (Wife), 200 Cedar Blvd., Pittsburgh, Pa.

First Lieutenant <u>HAROLD W. STRUB</u>, (0813437), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 7 September 1944 to 27 September 1944. Home address: Mrs. Leila M. Strub (Mother), R.F.D. #1, Watova, Okla.

4. THIRD OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant ERIC A. LAKES, (0813396), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 6 October 1944 to 29 October 1944. Home address: Mrs. Albert E. Lakes (Mother), 1121 N. Broadway, Yonkers, N.Y.

First Lieutenant LEROY R. NELSON, (0753296), Air Corps, United States
Army. For operational flight missions from 21 October 1944 to 7 November 1944.
Home address: Mrs. Margaret M. Nelson (Wife), 200 Cedar Blvd., Pittsburgh, Pa.

First Lieutenant HAROLD W. STRUB, (0813437), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 September 1944 to 27 October 1944.
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 patrols, searches, and rescue missions. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation.

III. AIR MEDAL. Posthumous Award. 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 posthumously by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, to the following named officer:

Flight Officer CERALD R. SHANNON, (T2716), Air Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area from 29 September 1944 to 15 January 1945, during which mostile contact was probable and expected. These operations included escorting bombers and transport aircraft, interception and attack missions, and patrol and reconnaissance flights. In the course of these operations, strafing and bombing attacks were made from dangerously low altitudes, destroying and damaging enemy installations and equipment. '

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The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Flight Officer Shannon, during these flights are worthy of commendation.

Next-of-kin: Mrs. Helen E. Shannon (Mother), 409 Ninth St., Ford City, Pa.

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

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