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AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS AND/OR OAK LEAF CLUSTER  
FOR THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 89, Headquarters NATDUSA, 10 July 1944, the Distinguished Flying Cross and/or Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Flying Cross, in the categories as listed, is awarded the following named officers, Air Corps, United States Army, position, date of act and residence as indicated, with the following citation:

For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Throughout many combat missions against highly important and strategic enemy installations, the personnel listed below have demonstrated the highest order of professional skill, heroism, leadership and devotion to duty. Despite heavy enemy opposition encountered on these long and hazardous missions, together with severe and adverse weather conditions, their outstanding leadership, personal example and tactical skill have contributed materially to the defeat of the armed forces of the enemy. Their conspicuous and extraordinary achievements throughout these many missions against the enemy have been of inestimable value to the success of combat operations and have reflected great credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

RALPH E. CHAMBERS, O-823311, Captain, 20th Bomb Sq, 2nd Bomb Gp, Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Pilot, Austria, 15 February 1945.

THEODORE ANEMA, O-769064, First Lieutenant, 816th Bomb Sq, 483rd Bomb Gp, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Radar Navigator, Germany, 25 December 1944.

DANIEL C. ARMSTRONG, O-926367, First Lieutenant, 347th Bomb Sq, 99th Bomb Gp, Wilmington, Delaware. Navigator, Germany, 18 December 1944.

JAMES H. BAAB, O-2065930, First Lieutenant, 353rd Bomb Sq, 301st Bomb Gp, Greeley, Colorado. Navigator, Austria, 21 January 1945.

GEORGE W. BETCHLEY, O-2057855, First Lieutenant, 429th Bomb Sq, 2nd Bomb Gp, Yonkers, New York. Navigator, Austria, 7 October 1944.

JAMES D. BLAUERT, O-704277, First Lieutenant, 352nd Bomb Sq, 301st Bomb Gp, New Ulm, Minnesota. Bombardier, Austria, 23 February 1945.

BERKELEY S. BOYD, O-715459, First Lieutenant, 774th Bomb Sq, 463rd Bomb Gp, Cannonsville, New York. Pilot, Austria, 13 February 1945.

HARVEY J. BROWN, O-776868, First Lieutenant, 775th Bomb Sq, 463rd Bomb Gp, Detroit, Michigan. Bombardier, Austria, 13 October 1944.

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DONALD J. DENFIELD, O-767769, First Lieutenant, 414th Bomb Sq, 97th Bomb Gp, Portland, Oregon. Pilot, Germany, 23 February 1945.

ALAN L. GROUT, O-820739, First Lieutenant, 414th Bomb Sq, 97th Bomb Gp, Mt. Lebanon, Pennsylvania. Pilot, Austria, 15 February 1945.

TIMOTHY L. HANLEY, O-770647, First Lieutenant, 775th Bomb Sq, 463rd Bomb Gp, St. Paul, Minnesota. Pilot, Austria, 6 November 1944.  
"MISSING IN ACTION." Next of kin: Mrs. Gertrude E. Hanley, (Mother), 1227 North 29th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

HUBERT LESLEY, JR., O-713488, First Lieutenant, 352nd Bomb Sq, 301st Bomb Gp, Wichita Falls, Texas. Pilot, Austria, 8 January 1945.

EDWARD J. MASCHKE, O-772432, First Lieutenant, 774th Bomb Sq, 463rd Bomb Gp, St. Louis, Missouri. Pilot, Yugoslavia, 7 November 1944.

FRED F. MAY, O-821045, First Lieutenant, 816th Bomb Sq, 483rd Bomb Gp, Chicago, Illinois. Pilot, Germany, 25 December 1944.

RICHARD F. MIASKIEWICZ, O-723137, First Lieutenant, 347th Bomb Sq, 99th Bomb Gp, Salem, Massachusetts. Radar Navigator, Austria, 1 February 1945.

KENNETH J. MILLS, O-767607, First Lieutenant, 429th Bomb Sq, 2nd Bomb Gp, Billings, Montana. Pilot, Austria, 14 February 1945.

SAMUEL K. MOODY, O-712300, First Lieutenant, 346th Bomb Sq, 99th Bomb Gp, Richmond, Virginia. Bombardier, Yugoslavia, 13 February 1945.

BENJAMIN W. SNIDER, O-1540516, First Lieutenant, 429th Bomb Sq, 2nd Bomb Gp, Wenatchee, Washington. Pilot, Italy, 16 February 1945.

DORRIS M. THOMPSON, O-820856, First Lieutenant, 775th Bomb Sq, 463rd Bomb Gp, Nashville, Tennessee. Pilot, Germany, 9 December 1944.


SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER (BRONZE)

JACK C. MC INTYRE, O-413704, Captain, 346th Bomb Sq, 99th Bomb Gp, Jackson, Mississippi. Pilot, Hungary, 4 March 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TWINING:

R. K. TAYLOR,  
Colonel, GSC,  
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

  
J. M. IVINS,  
Colonel, AGD,  
Adjutant General.

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