

Riverside, Cal.
2 November 1979

Dear Russ.

Sorry I was not able to make contact with you last summer during your visit to California.

The Phoenix reunion was great, spent most of my time with Dennis Sharkey. He was navigator on Donnell's crew, I was the Bombardier. We had not seen each other since February 1945, so had lots of catching up to get done.

Now, the reason for this note. 306th Echoes July 1979 among the lists of planes is "Pretty Baby"

42-9713, a "D" model assigned
367th Squadron. As I recall
this aircraft was assigned
to Capt. Charles Schoolfield's
crew 369th Squadron.

Now the 306th Echoes May 1979
lists Plans and Pilots 2nd
Schemmfwil. Schoolfield led
mission. Under his position of
A/C you list down 11 Jan 44.
for AC-30782. I believe that
A/C 42-9713 down 11 Jan 44
is causing some confusion.
On that date one crash landed
at Andrews Field (Great Saline)
in 42-9713, A/C belonged to
Schoolfield. As the A/C never
returned to Thurligh. How does
this square with your information.

Perhaps the Queen 11 Jan 44
against A/C 42-30782 should
be A/C 42-9713 "Pretty
Baby"

Once again Phoenix
reunion was great.

Sincerely
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Dear Russell:

In the last issue of the 306th Echoes, the airplanes "Chennault's Pappy I, II, and III" and "Miss Patricia" were listed without a designation of Squadron. Captain Raymond C. Check from Minot, N.D., was the pilot of the "Chennault's Pappy" airplanes. I flew with him in the last, as his co-pilot, ^{and} until his death on his 25th mission. "Miss Patricia" was the plane I flew as first pilot and commander of Flight C. The Squadron for all of these was the 423rd Squadron.

I thought that I had sent you pictures of Check's plane, crew, my plane and crew, and was surprised when this detail was missing regarding Squadron.

Regards

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Dear Bass -

Just received the July Echoes -- on page 2
you have a lot of B-17's listed, including "mine".
"Little Audrey" had a strange looking number - her
actual number was 124560 when I was there
in prehistoric times.

Nothing useful to report but I'll tell you
that I'll be 60 on Sept 11 and will retire as
Chairman of Cartan Travel. I'll live here for about
another year and then will probably move to Las Vegas.
My daughter and her family live there - my son lives
in California.

Enjoyed your California report - lots of familiar
names - Chick Varrick, Joe Kryga (he rode over with my crew
from Weston to Thurleigh), Louford, Gaurin, Gene Gaslin,
Jill Wilson, McKee etc. You're a busy guy. Best Regards,
Ed