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NO. 98) AWARDS OF DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 8 August 1932, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular 36, Hq., ETOUSA, 5 April 1943, the DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS is awarded to the following named Officers and Enlisted Men for extraordinary achievement, as set forth in citation in each instance. These individuals have previously earned the Air Medal and three Oak Leaf Clusters for wear therewith.

RAYMOND J. CHECK, O-435856, Captain, 306th Bombardment Group (H), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For extraordinary achievement, while serving as Pilot of a B-17 airplane on twenty-five bombardment missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe. Displaying great courage and skill, Captain Check has materially aided in the success of each of the twenty-five missions and his actions are an inspiring example for his fellow flyers. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Captain Check on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Home address: Emerson Apt 10, Minot, North Dakota.

JOHN H. DEXTER, C-443162, Captain, 306th Bombardment Group (H), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For extraordinary achievement, while serving as Navigator of a B-17 airplane on twenty-five bombardment missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe. Displaying great courage and skill, Captain Dexter has materially aided in the success of each of the twenty-five missions and fighting from his gun position has warded off many enemy attacks. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Captain Dexter on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Home address: 1423 Sculler Ave., Little Rock, Arkansas.

LAWRENCE C. FARRELL, O-776350, 2nd Lieutenant, 303rd Bombardment Group (H), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For extraordinary achievement, while serving as Co-Pilot of a B-17 airplane on twenty-five bombardment missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe. Displaying great courage and skill, Lieutenant Farrell, has materially aided in the success of each of the twenty-five missions, and his actions are an inspiring example for his fellow flyers. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Lieutenant Farrell on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Home address: 38 State Street, Calodonia, New York.

ARNOLD S. DORAN, 11030856, Technical Sergeant, 359th Bombardment Squadron (H), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For extraordinary achievement, while serving as Engineer and Top Turret Gunner on a B-17 airplane on fifteen bombardment missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe. Displaying great courage and skill, Sergeant Doran, fighting from his gun position has destroyed two enemy airplanes, warded off many enemy attacks and has materially aided in the success of each of the fifteen missions. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Sergeant Doran on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Home address: 71 Mozart Street, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts.

THURMAN H. RAY, 3908686, Technical Sergeant, 369th Bombardment Squadron (H), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For extraordinary achievement, while serving as Tail Gunner on a B-17 airplane on twenty-five bombardment missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe. Displaying great courage and skill, Sergeant Ray, fighting from his gun position has warded off many enemy attacks, and has materially aided in the success of each of the twenty-five missions. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Sergeant Ray on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Home address: 1417 - 8th St., Sacramento, California.

JAMES A. BOBBETT, 35237620, Staff Sergeant, 423rd Bombardment Squadron (H), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For extraordinary achievement, while serving as Waist Gunner on a B-17 airplane on twenty-five bombardment missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe. Displaying great courage and skill, Sergeant Bobbett, fighting from his gun position has warded off many enemy attacks, and has materially aided in the success of each of the twenty-five missions. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Sergeant Bobbett on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Home address: Berkeley, Kentucky.

WAYNE J. GRAY, 13086189, Staff Sergeant, 423rd Bombardment Squadron (H), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For extraordinary achievement, while serving as Waist Gunner on a B-17 airplane on ten bombardment missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe. Displaying great courage and skill, Sergeant Gray, fighting from his gun position has destroyed two enemy airplanes, warded off many enemy attacks and has materially aided in the success of each of the ten missions. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Sergeant Gray on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Home address: R.F.D.#3, Coryapolis, Pennsylvania.

MAYNARD E. NELSON, 17035875, Staff Sergeant, 423rd Bombardment Squadron (H), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For extraordinary achievement, while serving as Waist Gunner on a B-17 airplane on twenty bombardment missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe. Displaying great courage and skill, Sergeant Nelson, fighting from his gun position has destroyed one enemy airplane, warded off many enemy attacks, and has materially aided in the success of each of the twenty missions. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Sergeant Nelson on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Home address: Mapes, North Dakota.

JOSEPH J. CONLEY, 6695233, Staff Sergeant, 323rd Bombardment Squadron (H), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For extraordinary achievement, while serving as Waist Gunner on a B-17 airplane on twenty bombardment missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe. Displaying great courage and skill. Sergeant Conley, fighting from his gun position has destroyed one enemy airplane, warded off many enemy attacks, and has materially aided in the success of each of the twenty missions. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Sergeant Conley on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Home address: 829 N. Adams St., Wilmington, Delaware.

MARTIN A. BUCHHOLZ, 16046784, Staff Sergeant, 322nd Bombardment Squadron (H), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For extraordinary achievement, while serving as Ball Turret Gunner on a B-17 airplane on twenty bombardment missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe. Displaying great courage and skill, Sergeant Buchholz, fighting from his gun position has destroyed one enemy airplane, warded off many enemy attacks, and has materially aided in the success of each of the twenty missions. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Sergeant Buchholz on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Home address: 1000 E. Lyon St., Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

SAMUEL L. EDWARDS, 33190108, Staff Sergeant, 360th Bombardment Squadron (H), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For extraordinary achievement, while serving as Gunner on a B-17 airplane on twenty bombardment missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe. Displaying great courage and skill, Sergeant Edwards, fighting from his gun position has destroyed one enemy airplane, warded off many enemy attacks, and has materially aided in the success of each of the twenty missions. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Sergeant Edwards on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Home address: 1412 Floral St., N.W., Washington, D.C.

JOHN L. BERINGER, Jr., 39168651, Staff Sergeant, 359th Bombardment Squadron (H), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For extraordinary achievement, while serving as Radio Operator and Gunner on a B-17 airplane on twenty-five bombardment missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe. Displaying great courage and skill, Sergeant Beringer, fighting from his gun position has warded off many enemy attacks, and has materially aided in the success of each of the twenty-five missions. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Sergeant Beringer on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Home address: 566 Brett Street, Inglewood, California.

RALPH B. ADAMS, 13035538, Staff Sergeant, 359th Bombardment Squadron (H), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For extraordinary achievement, while serving as Left Waist Gunner on a B-17 airplane on twenty-five bombardment missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe. Displaying great courage and skill, Sergeant Adams, fighting from his gun position has warded off many enemy attacks, and has materially aided in the success of each of the twenty-five missions. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Sergeant Adams on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Home address: 1708 Rorer Ave., Roanoke, Virginia.

LLOYD L. JORDON, 37198409, Staff Sergeant, 359th Bombardment Squadron (H), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For extraordinary achievement, while serving as Engineer and Right Waist Gunner on a B-17 airplane on fifteen bombardment missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe. Displaying great courage and skill, Sergeant Jordon, fighting from his gun position has destroyed two enemy airplanes, warded off many enemy attacks, and has materially aided in the success of each of the fifteen missions. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Sergeant Jordon on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Home address: Fredrika, Iowa.

JOSEPH KERR, 6426721, Staff Sergeant, 359th Bombardment Squadron (H), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For extraordinary achievement, while serving as Left Waist Gunner on a B-17 airplane on fifteen bombardment missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe. Displaying great courage and skill, Sergeant Kerr, fighting from his gun position has destroyed two enemy airplanes, warded off many enemy attacks and has materially aided in the success of each of the fifteen missions. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Sergeant Kerr on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Home address: 4435 South 38th Street, St. Louis, Missouri.


CARL E. FRYMOYER, 13080116, Staff Sergeant, 369th Bombardment Squadron (H), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For extraordinary achievement, while serving as Lower Turret Gunner on a B-17 airplane on fifteen bombardment missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe. Displaying great courage and skill, Sergeant Frymoyer, fighting from his gun position has destroyed two enemy airplanes, warded off many enemy attacks, and has materially aided in the success of each of the fifteen missions. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Sergeant Frymoyer on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Home address: R.F.D.#1, Reading, Pennsylvania.

JOHN E. OWENS, 13034042, Sergeant, 369th Bombardment Squadron(H), Army Air Forces, United States Army. For extraordinary achievement, while serving as Lower Turret Gunner on a B-17 airplane on fifteen bombardment missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe. Displaying great courage and skill, Sergeant Owens, fighting from his gun position has destroyed two enemy airplanes, warded off many enemy attacks, and has materially aided in the success of each of the fifteen missions. The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Sergeant Owens on all these occasions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Home address: 1109 Orange Ave., N.W., Roanoke, Virginia.

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