

# ANDRA, Vincent J.

B: 5 August 1922 Ellinwood, KS

D: 2 February 1997 Dodge City, KS



**Hometown:** Wichita, Kansas

**Rank:** Staff Sergeant

**MOS:** 750 - Crew Chief

**Unit:** 334th Fighter Squadron

### Aircraft:

P-47C-5-RE 41-6576 QP-J *The Deacon*

P-47D-1-RE 42-7874 QP-J *The Deacon*

P-51B-7-NA 43-6898 QP-J *The Deacon*

P-51D-5-NA 44-13306 QP-J *The Deacon*

P-51D-15-NA 41-15347 QP-J

P-51D-25-NA 44-73108 QP-0 *Red Dog XII*

**4th Service:** February 1943 - 26 August 1945

1 APR 43 Promoted to Sergeant

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21 JUN 44 Assigned to participate in Operation FRANTIC II, the Russia Shuttle mission. The B-17 to which he was assigned was involved in a taxi accident while heading to the runway and was scrubbed from the mission.

Campaigns: Normandy, Northern France, Ardennes, Rhineland, Central Europe, Air Offensive Europe.

### Post 4th Fighter Group:

Worked in retail stores.

### Decorations

Bronze Star, Presidential Unit Citation, Good Conduct Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Service Ribbon (with 6 bronze stars), World War II Victory Medal.