

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	<i>The Deacon</i>
P-47D-1-RE	42-7874	QP-J	<i>The Deacon</i>
P-51B-7-NA	43-6898	QP-J	<i>The Deacon</i>
P-51D-5-NA	44-13306	QP-J	
P-51D-5-NA	44-13879	QP-J	<i>The Deacon</i>
P-51D-15-NA	41-15347	QP-J	
P-51D-20-NA	44-72196	QP-0	
P-51D-25-NA	44-73108	QP-0	<i>Red Dog XII</i>

4th Service: February 1943 - 26 August 1945

1 APR 43 Promoted to Sergeant
1 MAY 43 Promoted to Staff Sergeant
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.