

**ANDREWS, Thomas J.**

“Bird Legs”

B: 24 May 1921 Overbrook, KS

D: 4 March 1995 Melbourne, FL



**Hometown:** Costa Mesa, California

**Rank:** Major

**MOS:** 1055 - Pilot, single engine fighter

**Unit:** 334th Fighter Squadron

**Aircraft:**

Spitfire Mk VB AB929 XR-

P-47C-5-RE 41-6413 QP-V

**4th Service:** 16 September 1942 – 11 September 1943

13 APR 43 Appointed (acting) Squadron Commanding Officer

15 APR 43 Designated Flight Commander A Flight

2 JUN 43 Designated Squadron Operations Officer

5 JUL 43 Promoted to Major

8 AUG 43 Designated Squadron Operations Officer

**Victories:**

1

**Post 4th Fighter Group:**

Retired from the USAF as a Lieutenant Colonel. Served as an intelligence officer and Assistant Air Attaché to Sweden.

**Decorations:**

Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal (2 OLC), European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal.