

COLE, Leon J. Jr.

B: 1921 TN

D: 11 June 1944 Villedieu-les-Poêles, FRA

Hometown: Nashville, Tennessee

Rank: 2nd Lieutenant

MOS: 1055 - Pilot, single engine fighter

Unit: 334th Fighter Squadron

Aircraft:

None assigned

4th Service: 2 June 1944 – 11 June 1944

3 missions

11 JUN 44 Aircraft struck the ground while strafing northeast of Villedieu-les-Poêles in northern France. Though able to remain airborne, his "aircraft was pouring black smoke." it exploded. Moments later KIA (MACR 5572)

Buried at Brittany American Cemetery
St. James, France
Plot J Row 18 Grave 10

Victories:

None

Decorations:

Purple Heart