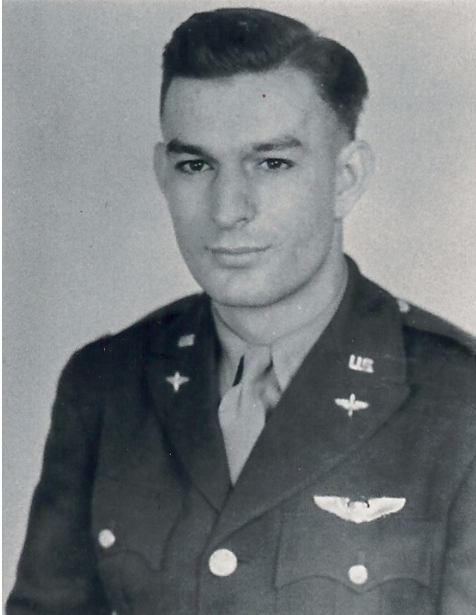


LACY, Andrew C.

“Andy”

B: 30 April 1921 Elyria, OH

D: 8 December 2012 Springfield, OH



“...and found myself tumbling through the sky. The next thing I remember was dangling from my parachute. I don't recall pulling the ripcord...I looked up and saw the chute blossomed over my head. What a comforting sight! There was no opening shock that I noticed...What I did notice immediately was the crushing silence as I hung in my parachute thousands of feet above the German countryside.”

*– Andrew Lacy, from his book **My Road Through Life***

Hometown: Sullivan, Ohio

Rank: 1st Lieutenant

MOS: 1055 - Pilot, single engine fighter

Unit: 334th Fighter Squadron

Aircraft:

P-51K-5-NT 44-11677 QP-P *Lynnette Sue*

4th Service: 15 September 1944 – 21 February 1945

8 JAN 45 Promoted to 1st Lieutenant

21 FEB 45 A/C struck by 20mm flak while strafing a train. After pulling off the target he headed west, but was forced to bail out ten minutes later when his engine quit, landing about a mile west of Neresheim.
POW. (MACR 12595)

Victories:

.5

Post 4th Fighter Group:

OCT 45 Discharged from the AAF

APR 49 Returned to the service with the Ohio ANG's 164th FS, Mansfield, OH

SEP 59 Commanding Officer, 162nd FS Springfield, OH

OCT 62 Commanding Officer, 178th TFW, Springfield, OH

AUG 70 TDY to Vietnam to oversee transfer of F-100's and support equipment to OH ANG. While TDY flew 3 combat missions in F-100F

FEB 77 Retired from OH ANG as Colonel

Decorations

Air Medal (3 OLC), World War II Victory Medal, POW Medal, American Campaign Medal