

NELSON, Edward G.

B: 6 November 1919 Elgin, IL

D: 14 March 2008 Elgin, IL



Hometown: Elgin, Illinois

Rank: Staff Sergeant

MOS: 750 - Crew Chief

Unit: 334th Fighter Squadron

Aircraft:

P-47D-1-RE 42-7980 QP-H *Texas*

P-51D-10-NA 44-14119 QP-H *Sizzlin' Liz*

P-51D-15-NA 44-15326 QP-H *Sizzlin' Liz*

P-51D-20-NA 44-72382 QP-H *Sizzlin' Liz*

4th Service: 10 December 1942 - 26 August 1945

1 MAR 43 Promoted to Private First Class

1 APR 43 Promoted to Corporal

1 MAY 43 Promoted to Sergeant

1 JAN 44 Promoted to Staff Sergeant

Assistant crew chief 42-7980, 44-14119

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

Post 4th Fighter Group:

Employed by McGraw-Edison through the 1950s.

Auto mechanic, Walt's Sinclair Station, Walt's Mobile and Bunge's Tire & Auto in Elgin, Illinois

1970-1993 Treasurer, Association of the 4th Fighter Group; also longtime member of the reunion committees.

Decorations:

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