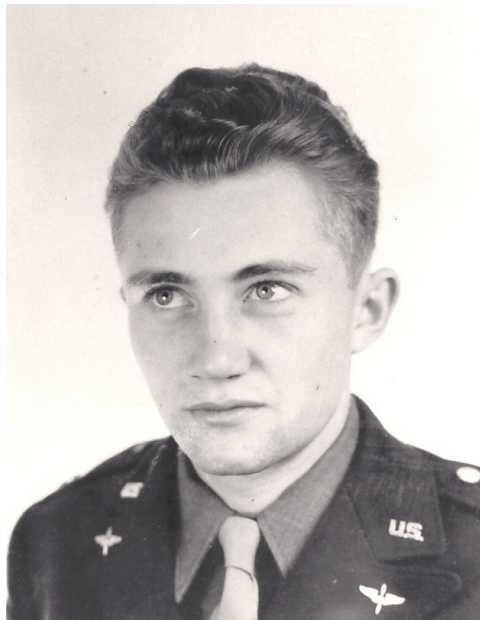


RENTSCHLER, Victor R.T.

“Neffie”

B: 20 September 1921 IL

D: 24 September 2010 Fairbanks, AL



Hometown: Cicero, Illinois

Rank: 1st Lieutenant

MOS: 1055 - Pilot, single engine fighter

Unit: 334th Fighter Squadron

Aircraft:

P-51D-5-NA 44-13615 QP-R

4th Service: 11 June 1944 – 16 January 1945

11 SEP 44 Promoted to 1st Lieutenant

16 JAN 45 Aircraft struck by flak while strafing Neuburg airdrome. Headed west but engine gave out in the vicinity of Reutenlingen. Bailed out “jack in the box style” near the town of Oberkessach.

POW (MACR 11852)

Victories:

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Highlights:

25 DEC 44 - 1 FW-190, .5 ME-109 (shared w/Hoelscher)

Post 4th Fighter Group:

Remained in the Air Force; last posting Clear AFB. Retired as a Lieutenant Colonel.

Owner/operator Tamarack Inn on Parks Highway, 5 miles south of Nenana, Alaska.

Decorations:

Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal (7 OLC), POW Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal.