DIAMOND, Brack Jr.

B: 21 March 1923 Jenkins, KY

D: 1 October 2014 Mountain Home, AR





"I took my section down on the north side of the field...the planes were scattered in open fields and I didn't see any flak. On the first pass I hit an E/A and it blew up. On the second I hit another one and it blew up. On the third pass I got just a few strikes on the plane and it started burning slowly at first. As I pulled up to make an orbit of the field, I saw it blow up..." - from Brack Diamond's combat report, 13 SEP 44

Hometown: Jenkins, Kentucky

Rank: Captain

MOS: 1055 - Pilot, single engine fighter

Unit: 335th Fighter Squadron

Aircraft:

P-51D-5-NA 44-13977 WD-T **Ginny**

P-51D-15-NA 44-15615 WD-T

4th Service: 5 June 1944 - 13 January 1945

16 SEP 44 Designated Flight Commander D Flight (PD)

OCT 44 Promoted to 1st Lieutenant

JAN 45 Promoted to Captain

Victories:

7 (1 air / 6 ground)

Post 4th Fighter Group:

Remained in the Air Force after the war. Served in logistics during the Korean War. Left the Air Force in 1963 as a colonel.

Decorations

Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal (4 OLC), World War II Victory Medal, United Nations Service Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, United Nations Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal.