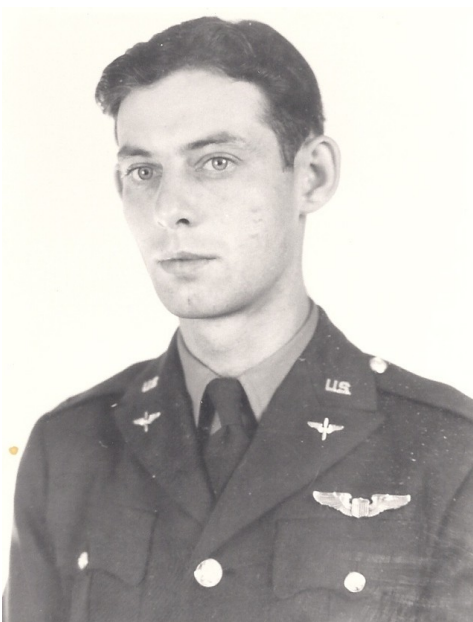


# PETERSON, Donald J.

B: 13 October 1920 St. Paul, MN

D: 9 March 1992 St. Paul, MN



**Hometown:** St. Paul, Minnesota

**Rank:** 1st Lieutenant

**MOS:** 1055 - Pilot, single engine fighter

**Unit:** 335th Fighter Squadron

### **Aircraft:**

P-51D-5-NA 44-13977 WD-H

P-51D-5-NA 44-13389 WD-W

**4th Service:** 27 July 1944 – 24 April 1945

64 missions

29 OCT 44 Promoted to 1st Lieutenant

24 FEB 45 Designated Flight Commander D Flight

APR 45 Instructor in Squadron OTU upon completion of tour

### **Victories:**

None

### **Post 4th Fighter Group:**

Served in Korean war; later stationed in Japan and Germany as Weather Officer. Retired in 1963 as a Colonel.

1963-82 - Worked in the Engineering Division, Minnesota Highway Department

### **Decorations:**

Air Medal (4 OLC), European-African-Middle Eastern Medal (w/4 bronze stars), World War II Victory Medal, American Campaign Medal, Army of Occupation Medal, United Nations Service Medal, Korean Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Air Force Longevity Award (4 OLC).