

**SILLS, Joseph B.**

**“Joe”**

B: 3 August 1910 Tucson, AZ

D: 9 November 1999 MI



**Hometown:** Michiana, Michigan

**Rank:** Staff Sergeant

**MOS:** 750 - Crew Chief

**Unit:** 335th Fighter Squadron

**Aircraft:**

P-47C-5-RE 41-6582 WD-A

P-51B-7-NA 43-6896 WD-A

P-51B-10-NA 42-106911 WD-A

P-51C-5-NT 42-103332 WD-A *Yippee Joe!*

P-51D-5-NA 44-13883 WD-A

P-51D-10-NA 44-14570 WD-A *Ridge Runner*

P-51D-20-NA 44-63166 WD-A *Ridge Runner*

P-51D-10-NA 44-14221 WD-A *Ridge Runner III*

P-51D-20-NA 44-72308 WD-A *Ridge Runner III*

P-51B-7-NA 43-6570 WD-3 *Joe's Junk*

**4th Service:** 1943 – September 1945

1 APR 43 Promoted to Sergeant

29 APR 43 Promoted to Staff Sergeant

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

**Post 4th Fighter Group:**

Worked for Michiana News for many years, retiring in 1988.

**Decorations:**

Presidential Unit Citation, Good Conduct Medal.