

COEN, Oscar H.

B: 11 May 1917 Hannaford, ND

D: 23 June 2004 Boise, ID



Hometown: Pound, Wisconsin

Rank: Lieutenant Colonel

MOS: 1055 - Pilot, single engine fighter

Unit: 336th Fighter Squadron

Aircraft:

Spitfire Mk VB BL582

P-47C-5-RE 41-6358 QP-G

P-47C-5-RE 41-6413 QP-V

4th Service: 15 September 1942 – 26 October 1943

29 SEP 42 Assigned to the 336th Fighter Squadron

28 NOV 42 Appointed Squadron Commanding Officer

30 DEC 42 Promoted to Major

4 MAR 43 Assigned to 334th Fighter Squadron;
appointed squadron Commanding Officer

6 JUN 43 On leave in U.S. (recovering from broken
shoulder sustained in crash on 3 APR 43;
returned to squadron 4 AUG 43)

4 OCT 43 Promoted to Lieutenant Colonel

27 OCT 43 Assigned to the 356th Fighter Group;
appointed Deputy Group Commander

Victories:

4

Post 4th Fighter Group:

10/43 Deputy CO, 356th Fighter Group

1944 365th Fighter Group

1962 Retired from the USAF as a Colonel after serving
as Deputy Wing Commander at Kinchloe AFB.

Decorations:

Silver Star, Distinguished Flying Cross (OLC), British
Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal (3 OLC), RAF
Medallion, World War II Victory Medal.