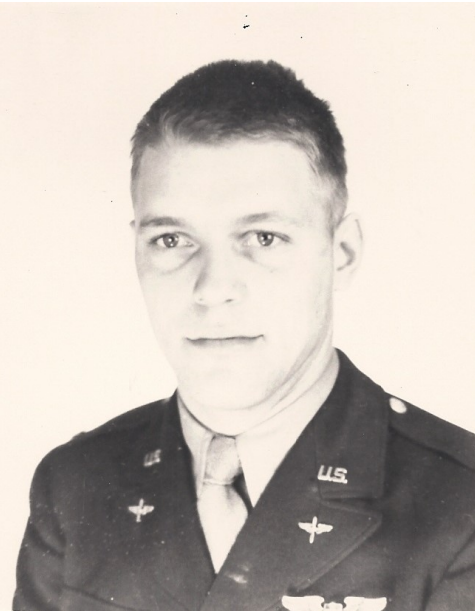


FRANKLIN, Melvin C.

B: 5 October 1924 Blue Ball, OH

D: 13 February 2001 Middletown, OH



Hometown: Middletown, Ohio

Rank: 1st Lieutenant

MOS: 1055 - Pilot, single engine fighter

Unit: 336th Fighter Squadron

Aircraft:

P-51D-5-NA 44-13315 VF-N *The Ring*

4th Service: 5 February 1945 – 15 September 1945

24 missions

9 MAY 45 Promoted to 1st Lieutenant

Victories:

2 (ground)

Post 4th Fighter Group:

Flew with 162nd FS of the Ohio ANG

1947-1985 Armco employee, including serving as Director of their aviation group and Vice President of their Hangar Facilities, Inc. subsidiary

Member, Quiet Birdmen

Decorations:

Air Medal (OLC), European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal.