JOINER, Joseph H.

"Joe"

B: 7 November 1921 Plainview, TXD: 10 January 2024 Austin, TX

"A rough show today. Took Libs to Ruhland then strafed Neuhausen airdrome, south of Berlin. Our SQD. destroyed 31 planes. I got four. When we returned to England the clouds were down to the deck. My number two man was killed, Fred Hall. Hagan had to bail out again. Weather like that doesn't make for long life."

- Joseph Joiner, 16 JAN 45 Logbook entry

Hometown: Corpus Christi, Texas
Rank: Captain
MOS: 1055 - Pilot, single engine fighter
Unit: 336th Fighter Squadron

Aircraft:

P-51B-7-NA 43-6573 VF-R P-51D-5-NA 44-13630 VF-R *The Rebel (later Rebel)* P-51D-10-NA 44-14548 VF-R

4th Service: 25 May 1944 - 1 June 1945
1 NOV 44 Designated Flight Commander B Flight
28 NOV 44 Promoted to Captain

Victories:
8 (3.5 air / 4.5 ground)

Highlights: 16 JAN 45 - 4 FW-190's (ground) 20 FEB 45 — 2 FW-190's

Post 4th Fighter Group: Remained in the Air Force, ultimately retiring as colonel

Decorations:

Distinguished Flying Cross (OLC), Air Medal (8 OLC), Distinguished Unit Citation, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal.



